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Re: Proposed Filtration Plant

#1

The purpose of the first part of this letter is to address the Neighborhood Agreement Letter created by the Portland Water Bureau.

I was a member of the Advisory Committee. Unfortunately after the formation of the committee, Covid hit and everyone was confined. We met virtually. The members I spoke with were always against the filtration plant being built in our rural community. I believe the reasons behind our opposition have been adequately covered by other letters you have received from citizens, school board members, and the fire department. When PWB uses the Neighborhood Agreement as a document showing their partnership with our community, it is not true. The Agreement is what PWB wants – a filtration plant.

I had no intention of signing this agreement. When I asked PWB how we would sign the “agreement” since we only met virtually, they replied that we wouldn’t be signing the agreement – they would.

An unsigned report by the Portland Water Bureau is not an agreement between two parties.

#2

The purpose of the second part of this letter is to suggest there was an incomplete archeological study.

The proposed site for the filtration plant may have been a Native American Village. A very impressive collection of artifacts was found on the site by a family that has lived on Carpenter lane for over 100 years and actually owned part of the site at one time. This collection includes tools as well as other artifacts. The location of the property also adds to the possibility that the site was once a village.

The headwaters for Johnson Creek is at the base of the site and salmon were plentiful in the creek in the past. Deer and elk came up from the Sandy River and through the woods to the property so fish and game were plentiful making a very good location for a village. The archeological study was just a “walk over”. Why wasn’t there a “dig”? I am asking for a “dig” so we can prove if there was or was not a village on the site. Let’s not start a \$2 Billion dollar project to find we need to stop due to an archeological discovery.