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Re: Chapter 1, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations - Surface Water Quality Standards,
Proposed Revisions: Section 20, Agricultural Water Supply, Appendix H

Dear Mr. Waterstreet:

On behalf of the Campbell County Board of Commissioners, thank you for the opportunity to provide additional public comment on the proposed revisions to the Department of Environmental Quality's Chapter 1. This letter is supplemental to the correspondence submitted on this matter in February 2007.

As you are aware, oil, gas and coal are the foundation of Campbell County's economic vitality and sustain the prosperity of the State. The agricultural industry is our history and continues to be a significant business partner. Therefore, a balance must be struck with regard to any changes in the regulations. Overall, we are in support of the recommendations coming forth from the Spring 2008 meetings. The current livestock watering standards should continue to provide sufficient protection for livestock production. Additionally, we believe the provisions on background water quality exemptions, the irrigation waiver and effluent limits on discharges are in concert with the agricultural industry. These will allow livestock producers the flexibility in making decisions which may impact their operations.

The outcome of the proposed revisions to the rules and regulations governing Section 20, Appendix H on Agricultural Water Supply will have long term impacts on our agriculture and mineral industries, along with our vast wildlife and natural resources. We trust you will proceed wisely and judiciously in your decision making to nurture and protect these important economic engines. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Dan Coolidge,
Chairman