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Subject: RE: Illegal Use of Water
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:52:49 PM

Dear Mr. Baxter,

I am acknowledging receipt of your written public comment for the December 3, 2021 Water Resources Commission Meeting.

Thank you,

Nirvana Cook

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Subject: Illegal Use of Water

Dear WRC

As you know, the growing of illegal marijuana is out of control in southern Oregon. I've personally witnessed persons illegally drawing water out of Grave Creek in Josephine county. In addition I've witnessed water being sold to water tank transport companies by the city of Grants Pass. Some of this water goes to illegal marijuana grow operations.

This crime can be quickly stopped by drying up their source of water and WRC can assist by putting in the drain plug. WRC must strengthen water laws, hire more enforcement officers and change its policies on how and who gets to use beneficial water.

The use of beneficial water and it's protection as a natural resource is dependent on you and the decisions you make for the citizens of Oregon.

George Baxter
Sunny Valley

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