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Subject: Pahvant Valley Groundwater Management Plan

Director Wilhelmsen:

The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (DWR) is submitting the following comments on the proposed Groundwater Management Plan for the Pahvant Valley:

1. DWR representatives were at the November 13, 2024 public meeting. DWR is 100% supportive of the proposed reduction in the pumping in the Pahvant Valley.
2. DWR is the owner of land in the Pahvant Valley that was purchased with sportsmen's dollars to benefit wildlife for both hunting and wildlife viewing.
3. The decline of the spring water at the Clear Lake WMA has not only limited the hunting in the area, but has also drastically reduced the number of wildlife in the area.
4. All landowners in the area need to be willing to help protect this valuable resource not only for today but for the future of this valley.
5. DWR is willing to participate in any way to help with the proposed committee meetings and also with proposed infrastructure on DWR property.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed groundwater management plan. DWR looks forward to working with the community to try and solve this management problem.

Sincerely,

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