CLACKAMAS COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET



SPECIAL ELECTION Clackamas County, Oregon SEPTEMBER 21, 1999

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CITY OF WILSONVILLE

MEASURE 3-58

BALLOT TITLE

VOTER APPROVAL REQUIREMENT FOR WILLAMETTE RIVER AS DRINKING WATER SOURCE

QUESTION: Shall the Wilsonville City Charter be Amended to Require Voter Approval for Use of Willamette River as Drinking Water Source?

SUMMARY: This measure will add a new Section 43 to the Wilsonville City Charter restricting the powers vested in the City Council to choose a municipal water source. The measure prevents the City of Wilsonville from using any water from the Willamette River as a source for drinking water for its citizens unless the question of so using the Willamette River for a drinking water source has been approved by a majority of the voters voting in a citywide election.

Proposed by Initiative Petition:

PARAGRAPH 1. The charter of the City of Wilsonville is amended by creating a new section 43 to be added and made a part of the Charter and to read:

SECTION 43. The City of Wilsonville shall not use Willamette River water as a drinking water source for its citizens unless the question of so using the Willamette River water as a drinking water source has received the affirmative majority of the total number of legal votes cast on such measure and entitled to be counted thereon.

NO EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR THIS MEASURE WAS FILED

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

VOTE "YES" ON MEASURE 3-58
SECURE YOUR RIGHT TO CHOOSE THE LONG-TERM
WATER SOURCE THE YOU WANT

The choice of our long term water source will affect the health and pocketbook of everyone in Wilsonville. You will be drinking it and paying for it. The CHOICE SHOULD BE YOURS, not the choice of 5 people on the City Council.

- Now is the time to tell the City Council how you really feel about using the Willamette River as a long-term water source.
- Bull Run water could be available in ONE YEAR if the City was willing to negotiate with the Portland Water Bureau.
- If the City can get Bull Run water for the Prison, why can't they get it for the residents of Wilsonville?
- The City Council wants to impose Willamette River water on the people of Wilsonville before all the safe water testing protocols have been met.
- There are too many unknowns with the Willamette River to use it for our long-term drinking water source.
- The Willamette River should be cleaned up first before it is used for drinking water,
- Who really knows what the actual cost will be to the voters of Wilsonville? The cost stated by the City is less than the cost estimated by their own contractors! Who should you believe?
- Once we "buy in" we will be stuck with all future costs related to changes in Federal regulations and treatment of new chemicals and problems upstream.
- Now is not the time to choose the Willamette River.
 The River will always be there so we should wait until we are sure it will be safe.

VOTE "YES" ON MEASURE 3-58 Secure your Right to Choose

VOTE "NO" ON MEASURE 3-59 \$25 Million Dollar Bond Issue

(This information submitted by: Wilsonville Citizens for Safe Water, Charles Scott, PhD,ACT, BCFE, Kathy Krueger, M Spec Ed, Stanley Wallulis, PE,PLS,WRE, Marshall Gilmore, Attny at Law, Charles Schaeffer, Steven Benson, Former City Councilor, Dolores Scott, Research Tech, Pamela E Pauli, RN, Carlene Lynch, Richard Bemard, MD.)

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

VOTE "NO" ON BALLOT MEASUURE 3-58

The Wilsonville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors strongly recommends a "NO" vote on the proposed initiative amending the charter of the City of Wilsonville.

Please consider the following reasons why we believe a "NO" vote is the right vote:

- > THIS MEASURE IS UNNECESSARY, REDUNDANT, AND MAY CAUSE LEGAL CONFUSION. In Ballot Measure 3-59, the city is already asking its citizens to approve the Willamette River as the city's long-term water supply and approval for the related revenue bonds.
- We may lose control of our water source selection to a state agency or to the courts if this measure requires another vote of citizens. Further delays in selection of the water source may put the city in default under a state mandate to end the building moratorium.
- > Amending the city charter on a water supply issue is inappropriate. The city charter is like the state constitution it is a framework document which lays out the basic powers and procedures of government. The city charter should not provide for restrictions on city utilities and other policy issues.
- The Chamber Board has unanimously supported the Willamette River as the most prudent choice for a long-term water supply for our city. Please see the Chamber's statement in support of Ballot Measure 3-59 for more detail.
- If we eventually are supplied by Portland (Bull Run) and that system begins to use Willamette River water, we would have to vote on whether we wanted to continue accepting water from that source.

AMENDING THE CHARTER WILL ONLY MUDDY THE WATER.

PLEASE VOTE NO ON THIS BALLOT MEASURE!!!

(This information submitted by Tim Gilbertsen, President, Wilsonville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.)

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CITY OF WILSONVILLE MEASURE 3-59

BALLOT TITLE

APPROVES REVENUE BONDS FOR WILLAMETTE RIVER USE FOR WATER SUPPLY

QUESTION: Shall Wilsonville issue \$25 million in revenue bonds to treat and use the Willamette River as a long-term water source?

SUMMARY: Measure 3-59 authorizes the City of Wilsonville to issue revenue bonds pursuant to the Uniform Revenue Bond Act in a principal amount sufficient to produce net proceeds of up to \$25 million for construction of Phase I Willamette River water treatment plant inclusive of intake, filtration, transmission and related water system facilities. Treated Willamette River water would be used as the City's long-term water supply. Existing City wells would be used for emergency and peak-season back up. Bonded debt would be backed by revenues generated by the City's water utility and by water systems development charges.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Measure 3-59 referred to the voters by the Wilsonville City Council, seeks approval for the funding of a Willamette River water treatment plant, as well as approval of the Willamette River as the City's long-term water supply. A separate measure, measure 3-58, also appears on this ballot. Measure 3-58 was referred by initiative petition. It would amend the Wilsonville City Charter to require a majority vote before the river can be used as a drinking water source. If the City Council's referral measure is

approved, it will become effective regardless of whether this initiative petition measure passes or fails.

Wilsonville currently gets its water from a system of eight wells that tap an underground aquifer. The water table in that aquifer is declining and it is no longer a viable long-term source. The City spent approximately two-and-a-half years examining some 20 different long-term water supply cptions, before narrowing the choices to the Willamette River and the City of Portland (a blend of Bull Run and Columbia South Shore well field water).

In selecting a water source, the City Council considered the following factors: Public health and safety, cost and reliability of supply. Raw water monitoring tests conducted by the independent engineering firm of Montgomery Watson and by the U.S. Geological Survey have determined that the Willamette River is a suitable water source. A pilot plant next to the river at Wilsonville has produced drinking water that meets or exceeds all existing and anticipated safe drinking water standards, even under conditions simulating accidental pesticide spills in the river. As a further precaution, the City Council had a panel of independent experts review these test results and the preliminary engineering plans for the proposed treatment plant. This panel of experts concluded unanimously that tap water from a Willamette River treatment plant would be a safe water supply. The treatment plant uses a multi-barrier system that includes sedimentation and flocculation (removes sediments), ozone gas (removes bacterial contaminants), and granular activated carbon (removes synthetic and organic chemicals). This process is effective at removing known and unknown contaminants from the water, regardless of whether those contaminants are regulated.

The Willamette River option is less expensive than the City of Portland option. Residential water rates are expected to increase by approximately 64% between 1999 and 2009 under a Willamette River option. Residential rates were projected to increase by approximately 337% between 1999 and 2009 under the City of Portland option.

The City Council found the Willamette River to be the more reliable water supply option, since Wilsonville owns water rights to the Willamette River and would own or co-own the proposed treatment plant.

In Resolution No. 1557, which referred this measure to the ballot, the City Council found that "the Willamette River [option affords] adequate margins of safety to protect public health... and after weighing and balancing the evidence and arguments presented ... the City Council finds the Willamette River option to be the superior alternative in terms of reliability of supply, overall environmental stewardship, and cost."

(This information submitted by Arlene Loble, City Manager.)

ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR

The Wilsonville City Council unanimously endorses Measure 3-59, to fund a Willamette River water treatment plant in order to provide an abundant source of reliable, safe water at the least cost to the public.

WHO WE ARE:

We are five individuals elected to represent the interests of the citizens of Wilsonville. We all live here and have families and friends here. Geographically we represent Charbonneau, the east side and the west side of Wilsonville's neighborhoods. When we first approached the issue of a new water supply to replace our failing aquifer, all of us had doubts about the safety of the Willamette as a drinking water source. It is a natural first reaction.

WHY WE NOW SUPPORT THE WILLAMETTE:

Over the past two and a half years, after reviewing the studies and analyses of numerous public agencies, academic specialists, and private consultants we have each arrived separately at the same conclusion: The Willamette River, with a state-of-the-art treatment plant, will provide tap water which is not only equal, but is actually superior to the quality of any other water supply in the region. If we were not completely convinced of the safety of the supply we would not be forwarding it as a recommendation. Beyond that, it is by far the least expensive option before us, the most environmentally responsible, and the most reliable. Please join us in supporting Measure 3-59.

(This information submitted by Charlotte Lehan, John Helser, Bruce Barton, Benny Holt and Alan Kirk.)



ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR (Continued from other side)

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The Wilsonville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors strongly recommends a "YES" vote on the City of Wilsonville's ballot measure approving revenue bonds for use of the Willamette River for our long-term water supply.

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- Portland shouldn't control our water destiny.
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PLEASE VOTE "YES" ON THIS MEASURE

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WE MUST ACT NOW

As residents of Wilsonville, we know that the water crisis we currently face is not new. Our ground water sources have been failing for a number of years. The quantity of water has been decreasing to the point where we must water has been decreasing to the point where we must have stringent water restrictions virtually every summer in order to maintain minimum fire flows. Quality has also declined. High mineral content leaves heavy deposits or plumbing fixtures, tastes bad, and does not allow detergents to work well. Even with no further growth in Wilsonville, we have reached a critical situation where we must find a safe, reliable new water supply.

WILLAMETTE IS THE SAFEST SOURCE

After years of study by scientists, public agencies, water treatment specialists, and citizen panels, the clear choice is to treat the Willamette River at a state-of-the-art treatment plant. This plant would treat for known and unknown contaminants to produce the purest water yet available in our region.

WILLAMETTE IS THE MOST RELIABLE

Unlike Tigard, Wilsonville is fortunate to have both the water rights to the Willamette and the river itself in our town. That means maximum control over future supply and future costs. It also means our water does not have to pass through miles of pipeline, increasing exposure to damage and contamination. Unlike other options, the Willamette is a solution where local control makes it possible to gain certainty over our future water supply.

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Every other solution considered involves much higher costs for less water and much less certainty. The safest and most reliable solution is also by far the least expensive.

Please take the time to look at the information objectively and join us in supporting Measure 3-59.

SAFE WATER FOR WILSONVILLE YES ON 3-59 COMMITTEE

(This information submitted by Alan Kirk, Treasurer, Safe Water for Wilsonville Yes on 3-59 Committee.)

THREE THINGS EVERY WATER RATE PAYER SHOULD KNOW BEFORE VOTING ON MEASURE 3-59

A SOUND INVESTMENT
City of Wilsonville officials estimate that the capital costs of Portland water would be 20 to 60 million dollars more than costs incurred with the proposed Willamette River treatment plant, depending on the availability of cost-sharing partners. in contrast, the Willamette treatment plant will provide more water, for a longer period of time, and at a significantly lower cost to Wilsonville water rate payers.

LESS MONEY AND MORE CONTROL

Rates for water in Wilsonville are already high. Buying Portland water would make them even higher - nearly four times more than water purified by our own Willamette treatment plant. And, we would have no control over the cost or quantity allowed if we buy Portland water. A YES vote on Measure 3-59 will give us a safer, cheaper, more reliable source of drinking water - and it will be ours to control!

GOOD WATER IS GOOD BUSINESS

The economic health of any small community is reflected by the success or failure of its small, locally owned businesses. The drastic cost increases involved with the Portland system would be a hardship on our local economy. That is why our Chamber of Commerce voted

unanimously in favor of the Willamette option. *After studying all of the available information on supply options, the Wilsonville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors supports the Willamette River as the most prudent choice. We strongly believe this option is best for our members and our public." (Wilsonville Spokesman. June 6, 1999.)

JOIN WILSONVILLE WATER RATE PAYERS! **VOTE YES ON MEASURE 3-59!**

Janet Olmsted Warren Gilfellen Richard Denton Bill Brontsema Van Purdy

Richard Reiland James Packard Jack Raybom Evangeline Werth lan Murray

(This information submitted by Janet Olmsted , Local Area Water Now(LAWN).)

WILL WATER FROM THE WILLAMETTE BE SAFE TO DRINK? THE EXPERTS SAY ... YES!

Can they prove it is safe to drink?

On the analytical and scientific side, I see no reason why I shouldn't drink the water.

Dr. Eugene Foster, DEQ Wilsonville Spokesman - May 12, 1999

What about pesticides?

The levels of pesticides in the water are a concern in the tributaries, but not in the Willamette. The Willamette water is sufficiently treated in Corvallis and it would be here as well. Dr. Jeffrey Jenkins, OSU Wilsonville City Council - May 3, 1999

Are the fish healthy?

The deformities: The rate of deformities has declined from 74% in 1994 to 13.5% in 1998.

The livers: What they were calling an abnormal liver at that point was probably actually a healthy liver. No sign of cancer was found in any of the fish.

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Will the treatment plant really work?

There are no flaws in its design, and it represents the most advanced technology being used for this type of water. The Willamette River can easily be treated to meet safe drinking water standards.

Dr. Kenneth Williamson, OSU Wilsonville City Council - May 3, 1999

How does the Portland water compare?

Dr. James Pratt said he would rather drink Willamette River water than water from Portland's Columbia River well fields.

Wilsonville Spokesman -May 12, 1999

The experts agree -- Our drinking water will be safe!

Join us in voting YES ON MEASURE 3-59!

Shirley Barrett James C. Rogers Theo W. Nielsen R. Eugene Martin James W. Mead

Peter J. Kosky Wilfred O. Traphagen Tros Werth Arthur F. Johnson

(This information submitted by Janet Olmsted, Local Area Water Now (LAWN).)

ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION

DEMAND HIGHER STANDARDS FOR YOUR DRINKING WATER VOTE 'NO" ON BALLOT MEASURE 3-59

Dear Voter.

My name is Marvin S. Hausman, MD. I am a Board certified Urological Surgeon and the President of XONYX Inc - a biotechnology company engaged in the research and development of drugs and new technologies useful for treating people with Alzheimer's Disease and other cognitive impairments.

Research and recent published data are now focusing on environmental causes, not genetic causes in the occurrence of immunological disorders. The City and it's representatives have not proven that the water produced at the river treatment plant will be safe for human consumption.

My concerns regarding human consumption of Willamette River water are based on the following

- Studies by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and the US Geological Survey have revealed fish abnormalities, including skeletal deformities and liver and thymus gland abnormalities.
- Fish thymus gland abnormalities suggest that Willamette River has the potential to create problems with the human immune system.
- Elevated levels of heavy metals such as Arsenic have been found in various areas of the river.
- The proposed water treatment plant will not remove all of these potentially hazardous substances.

In view of these findings and the absence of proven biological models, there is no rational basis to expose people to potentially hazardous drinking water. I urge the people of Wilsonville to VOTE NO on this measure and not to drink Willamette River water until conclusive studies have been performed to guarantee water purity and safety. The people of Wilsonville should demand that presently available biological models be used to assess water purity and safety.

Water used for drinking should be held to the same high standards applicable to drugs used by humans

VOTE NO MEASURE 3-59

(This information submitted by Marvin S. Hausman, MD.)

Wilsonville wants to use the polluted Willamette River for drinking. You measure 3-59. You can stop this by voting no on ballot

Supporters of this measure will tell you that many Americans drink treated water from many polluted rivers. Those people don't have a choice about their drinking water supply. There is no pristine Bull Run water supply near them.

Independent scientists attended a recent city council meeting in Wilsonville. A councilor asked if they would prefer the Williamette or Bull Run? There was no overwhelming endorsement for the Williamette. One scientist from the Corvallis area endorsed Mary's Peak water over treated river water. Mary's Peak water is Bull Run quality that comes for the coast range. Another scientist from the Portland area endorsed treated water over Columbia well water. If others communities joined in the use of Bull Run water then Portland may have to add a small amount of water from the Columbia wells. He doesn't want Columbia well water mixed with his Bull Run

Other things that came out of the same council meeting generated by the scientists. There are about 10,000,000 compounds. The USGS tests for 250. Carbon filters will not get all the chemicals out. Fish that have been caught from the Willamette contained DDT and dioxins.

The city of Wilsonville's own report on the capital cost of building a treatment plant not including operations will be between \$31.3 million and \$42.2 million. Is this bond measure for \$25 million just a teaser amount?

In Portland, the Bureau of Water Works projects that at buildout Wilsonville will need 11.4 million gallons a day. Bull Run can supply that at a comparable cost of building a water treatment plant and two years sooner.

Why spend money trying to clean water when we have the cleanest water in the USA just up the mountain from us? Vote no on Measure 3-59!

(This information submitted by Steven C. Benson, Wilsonville Citizens for Safe Water.)

Do YOU want to drink from the Willamette River? Vote NO on Measure 3-59

Why gamble with your health?

- Willamette River is a sewer contaminated with industrial waste, toxic chemicals, sewage, heavy metals endocrine disrupters, antibiotic, steroids and petroleum products.
- No safe drinking water standards for 42 pesticides detected in the river water.
- No safe drinking water standards established for a mixture of pesticides.
- Required testing on the river water has not been completed yet we are being told it will be safe to drink.
- Traces of chemicals will get through the treatment plant. Too many unknowns regarding the Willamette River.
- No scientific explanation for deformed fish.

What is the TRUE COST of the treatment plant?

- \$25 million dollars is below the estimated cost by city's own contractor.
- If you pass this bond measure, you will be stuck with costs you don't know about now and future of costs due to regulatory changes and chemical changes upstream in the river.
- The City has not accurately compared the cost of the Bull Run option with the treatment plant.

Are you tired of water rationing?

- Bull Run water would be available within ONE YEAR.
- It will be 3-4 years before the treatment plant will supply water.
- The City can get Bull Run water for the prison, why not for Wilsonville?

VOTE NO on Measure 3-59 to insure safe drinking water for Wilsonville.

> (This information submitted by Wilsonville Citizens for Safe Water; Stanley Wallulis, PE, PLS, WRE, William Lawson, PE Charles Scott, PhD, ACT, BCFE, Kathy Krueger, M Spec Ed, Marshal Gilmore, Attny at Law, Charles Schaeffer, Steven Benson, Former City Council, Carlene Lynch, Pamela E. Pauli, RN, Dolores Scott, BS Biology.)

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CITY OF RIVERGROVE

MEASURE 3-60

BALLOT TITLE

MEASURE APPROVING ANNEXATION OF FIVE ACRES INTO CITY OF RIVERGROVE

QUESTION: If the City Council approves, shall River's Edge Athletic Club's five-acre property be annexed into the City?

SUMMARY: Annexation is the legal process used to bring property into the City of Rivergrove. Lance Coffel, the owner of the five acres of property on which River's Edge Athletic Club is located, has asked the City to bring the five acres of property into the City limits. The legal description of the property is Tax Lot 1200, Section 19, Township 2S, Range 1E. It is located south of Childs Road and approximately 200 feet east of where Childs Road intersects Pilkington Road. The property borders Childs Road to the north, a private road to the east, a long narrow residential lot to the west, and the Tualatin River to the south. Before the annexation will be allowed, the City Council must determine that the annexation complies with the applicable criteria in the Rivergrove Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Ordinance. If the Measure passes and the City Council approves the annexation request, the property would be annexed into the City of Rivergrove.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Measure would approve the annexation of five acres of property into the city limits of the City of Rivergrove, if the Rivergrove City Council finds the annexation is consistent with applicable criteria in the City of Rivergrove Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Ordinance. The River's Edge Athletic Club is located on the property. The property is identified as Tax Lot 1200, Section 19, Township 2S, Range 1E and is located on the south side of Childs Road and approximately 200 feet east of where Childs Road intersects Pilkington Road.

Lance Coffel owns the property. Mr. Coffel has requested that the property be annexed into the City of Rivergrove. The property borders Childs Road to the north, a private road to the east, a long narrow residential lot to the west, and the Tualatin River to the south. The property is developed and contains an on-site septic tank for sewage disposal. The River's Edge Athletic Club is experiencing sep-tic failure. If annexed into the City of Rivergrove, River's Edge Athletic Club could seek sewer services from the City of Rivergrove, as provided by Lake Oswego pursuant to the terms of an Intergovernmental Agreement.

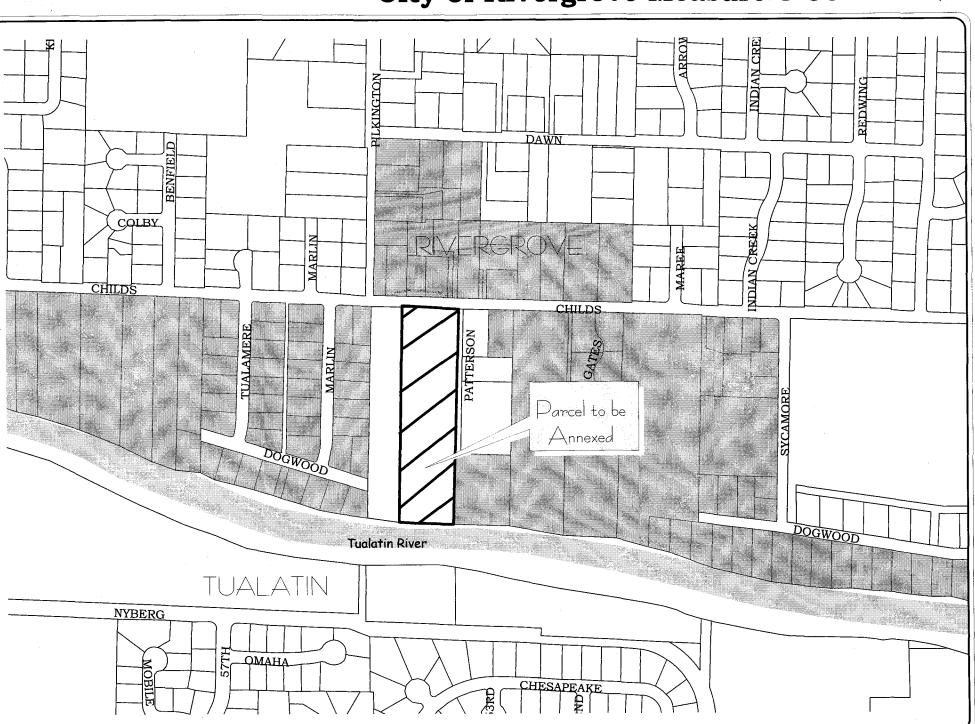
If the Measure is approved, the Rivergrove Planning Commission would hold a hearing to determine if the

annexation petition Mr. Coffel filed complies with the applicable approval criteria in the Rivergrove Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Ordinance. Based on information submitted at a public hearing, the Planning Commission would make a recommendation to the City Council to either approve or deny the annexation petition. The City Council would then decide whether to approve or deny the annexation petition. If the City Council approves the annexation petition, the property would be annexed to the City.

(This information submitted by Michael Collmeyer, City Recorder.)

NO ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OR OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

City of Rivergrove Measure 3-60



ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR (Continued from other side)

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THREE THINGS EVERY WATER RATE PAYER SHOULD KNOW BEFORE VOTING ON MEASURE 3-59

A SOUND INVESTMENT

City of Wilsonville officials estimate that the capital costs of Portland water would be 20 to 60 million dollars more than costs incurred with the proposed Willamette River treatment plant, depending on the availability of cost-sharing partners. In contrast, the Willamette treatment plant will provide more water, for a longer period of time, and at a significantly lower cost to Wilsonville water rate payers.

LESS MONEY AND MORE CONTROL

Rates for water in Wilsonville are already high. Buying Portland water would make them even higher - nearly four times more than water purified by our own Willamette treatment plant. And, we would have no control over the cost or quantity allowed if we buy Portland water. A YES vote on Measure 3-59 will give us a safer, cheaper, more reliable source of drinking water - and it will be gurs to control! ours to control!

GOOD WATER IS GOOD BUSINESS

The economic health of any small community is reflected by the success or failure of its small, locally owned businesses. The drastic cost increases involved with the Portland system would be a hardship on our local economy. That is why our Chamber of Commerce voted unanimously in favor of the Willamette option. "After studying all of the available information on supply options, the Wilsonville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors supports the Willamette River as the most prudent choice. We strongly believe this option is best for our members and our public." (Wilsonville Spokesman. June 6, 1999.)

JOIN WILSONVILLE WATER RATE PAYERS! **VOTE YES ON MEASURE 3-59!**

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(This information submitted by Janet Olmsted. Local Area Water Now(LAWN).)

WILL WATER FROM THE WILLAMETTE BE SAFE TO DRINK? THE EXPERTS SAY ... YES!

Can they prove it is safe to drink?

On the analytical and scientific side, I see no reason why I shouldn't drink the water.

Dr. Eugene Foster, DEQ Wilsonville Spokesman - May 12, 1999

What about pesticides?

The levels of pesticides in the water are a concern in the tributaries, but not in the Willamette. The Willamette water is sufficiently treated in Corvallis and it would be here as well. Dr. Jeffrey Jenkins, OSU Wilsonville City Council - May 3, 1999

Are the fish healthy?

The deformities: The rate of deformities has declined from 74% in 1994 to 13.5% in 1998.

The livers: What they were calling an abnormal liver at that point was probably actually a healthy liver. No sign of cancer was found in any of the fish.

Dr. Eugene Foster, DEQ

Wilsonville City Council - May 3, 1999

Will the treatment plant really work?

There are no flaws in its design, and it represents the most advanced technology being used for this type of water. The Willamette River can easily be treated to meet safe drinking water standards.

Dr. Kenneth Williamson, OSU Wilsonville City Council - May 3, 1999

How does the Portland water compare?

Dr. James Pratt said he would rather drink Willamette River water than water from Portland's Columbia River well fields. Wilsonville Spokesman -May 12, 1999

The experts agree -- Our drinking water will be safe!

Join us in voting YES ON MEASURE 3-59!

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ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION

DEMAND HIGHER STANDARDS FOR YOUR DRINKING WATER VOTE 'NO" ON BALLOT MEASURE 3-59

Dear Voter,

My name is Marvin S. Hausman, MD. I am a Board certified Urological Surgeon and the President of XONYX inc - a biotechnology company engaged in the research and development of drugs and new technologies useful for treating people with Alzheimer's Disease and other cognitive impairments.

Research and recent published data are now focusing on environmental causes, not genetic causes in the occurrence of immunological disorders. The City and it's representatives have not proven that the water produced at the river treatment plant will be safe for human consumption.

concerns regarding human consumption of Willamette River water are based on the following

- Studies by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and the US Geological Survey have revealed fish abnormalities, including skeletal deformities and
- Fish thymus gland abnormalities suggest that Willamette River has the potential to create problems with the human immune system.
- Elevated levels of heavy metals such as Arsenic have been found in various areas of the river.
- The proposed water treatment plant will not remove all of these potentially hazardous substances.

In view of these findings and the absence of proven biological models, there is no rational basis to expose people to potentially hazardous drinking water. I urge the people of Wilsonville to VOTE NO on this measure and not to drink Willamette River water until conclusive studies have been performed to guarantee water purity and safety. The people of Wilsonville should demand that presently available biological models be used to assess water purity and safety.

Water used for drinking should be held to the same high standards applicable to drugs used by humans

VOTE NO MEASURE 3-59

(This information submitted by Marvin S. Hausman, MD.)

Wilsonville wants to use the polluted Willamette River for drinking. You can stop this by voting no on ballot measure 3-59.

Supporters of this measure will tell you that many Americans drink treated water from many polluted rivers. Those people don't have a choice about their drinking water supply. There is no pristine Bull Run water supply near them

Independent scientists attended a recent city council meeting in Wilsonville. A councilor asked if they would prefer the Williamette or Bull Run? There we overwhelming endorsement for the Willamette. There was no /illamette. One scientist from the Corvallis area endorsed Mary's Peak water over treated river water. Mary's Peak water is Bull Run quality that comes for the coast range. Another scientist from the Portland area endorsed treated water over Columbia well water. If others communities joined in the use of Bull Run water then Portland may have to add a small amount of water from the Columbia wells. He doesn't want Columbia well water mixed with his Bull Run

Other things that came out of the same council meeting generated by the scientists. There are about 10,000,000 compounds. The USGS tests for 250. Carbon filters will not get all the chemicals out. Fish that have been caught from the Willamette contained DDT and dioxins.

The city of Wilsonville's own report on the capital cost of building a treatment plant not including operations will be between \$31.3 million and \$42.2 million. Is this bond measure for \$25 million just a teaser amount?

In Portland, the Bureau of Water Works projects that at buildout Wilsonville will need 11.4 million gallons a day. Bull Run can supply that at a comparable cost of building a water treatment plant and two years sooner.

Why spend money trying to clean water when we have the cleanest water in the USA just up the mountain from us? **Vote no on Measure 3-59!**

(This information submitted by Steven C. Benson, Wilsonville Citizens for Safe Water.)

Do YOU want to drink from the Willamette River? Vote NO on Measure 3-59

Why gamble with your health?

- Willamette River is a sewer contaminated with industrial waste, toxic chemicals, sewage, heavy metals endocrine disrupters, antibiotic, steroids and petroleum products.
- No safe drinking water standards for 42 pesticides detected in the river water.
- No safe drinking water standards established for a mixture of pesticides.
- Required testing on the river water has not been completed yet we are being told it will be safe to drink.
- Traces of chemicals will get through the treatment plant. Too many unknowns regarding the Willamette River.
- No scientific explanation for deformed fish.

What is the TRUE COST of the treatment plant?

- \$25 million dollars is below the estimated cost by city's own contractor.
- If you pass this bond measure, you will be stuck with costs you don't know about now and future of costs due to regulatory changes and chemical changes upstream in the river.
- The City has not accurately compared the cost of the Bull Run option with the treatment plant.

Are you tired of water rationing?

- Bull Run water would be available within ONE YEAR.
- It will be 3-4 years before the treatment plant will supply water.
- The City can get Bull Run water for the prison, why not for Wilsonville?

VOTE NO on Measure 3-59 to insure safe drinking water for Wilsonville.

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