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January 5, 2011



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Kittitas County CDS

Subject: Hidden Valley Guest Ranch; PWS ID #326485; Kittitas County Water System Plan Amendment; DOH Project #09-0917; **DOH Approval**

Dear Mr. Nelson:

The Hidden Valley Guest Ranch Water System Plan (WSP) Amendment received in this office on September 9, 2009, with revisions received on July 16, 2010, and December 15, 2010, has been reviewed and, in accordance with the provision of WAC 246-290, is hereby **APPROVED**.

The Amendment includes information that meets the service area and water rights requirements in WAC 246-290-100(4) (a) and (f). Approval of this Amendment is valid as it relates to current standards outlined in Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 246-290 revised July 2008, WAC 246-293 revised September 1997, and RCW 70.116, and is subject to the qualifications herein. Future revisions in the rules and statutes may be more stringent and require facility modification or corrective action.

The approval of the Amendment does not change the expiration date of the Water System Plan (WSP). An approved update of the WSP is required on or before August 27, 2014.

The Amendment includes capacity information and based on the analysis presented in the amendment, the **approved number of connections for this water system is 263.**

The Hidden Valley Guest Ranch is responsible for permitting new service connections in a manner consistent with the WSP and Amendment so that the physical capacity and water right limitations, represented by the approved number of connection, are not exceeded.

This approval does not provide any guarantee and should not be considered to provide any guarantee concerning legal use of water or any subsequent water right decisions by the Department of Ecology (Ecology). This approval does not affect any uncertainties regarding

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your water rights or the resolution of those uncertainties. Depending on the resolution of the uncertainties, further planning and/or other action may be necessary.

DOH Disclaimer: The Department of Ecology has not reviewed the system's water right place of use expansion to ensure the accuracy of the information presented. The Department of Health (DOH) is basing this approval on the system's assurance that adequate water rights are secured by the system to cover all existing and proposed water uses resulting from approval of this place of use expansion.

Pursuant to RCW 90.03.386(2), the "Proposed Service Area/Future Service Area/Water Rights Place of Use Boundary" identified on Exhibit A (received July 16, 2010) in the Amendment now represents "place of use" for this system's water rights. Future changes in service area must be made through a WSP amendment.

The Hidden Valley Guest Ranch has defined its retail service area in the Amendment and now has a duty to provide new water service within its retail service area.

Thank you for your cooperation. DOH recognizes the significant effort and resource commitment involved in the preparation of this Amendment. If you have any questions or wish to check our records, please contact either of us at (509) 329-2119 or (509) 329-2121, respectively.

Sincerely,

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