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As a Commissioner For Kittitas County Water District #4, I am concerned about surface and groundwater contamination from stormwater run off from this development.

This property is on the edge of KCWD #4 well head protection area. This well supplies potable water to 112 hook ups and is the only well we have. Protecting this well is very important. With sandy soil in this area infiltration into the aquifer could happen quickly.

Stormwater would run off through the development property and onto adjacent property and into a drainage ditch that runs water all year. This ditch runs to the Yakima River. This should be a real concern for all users of the water of the Yakima River.

With asphalt parking for customers and employees the potential for fuel, antifreeze, herbicides, and pesticides contaminating run off; ground & surface water is a real concern.

The size of this project should mandate a Washington State DOE stormwater retention and treatment permit.

In the SEPA checklist (B)(1)g states that approx. 25% of this site is covered by impervious surfaces. 5 acres is the total for this project.

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(3)(6)(C) 1 states 4.5 acres of uncovered grassy areas and a drainage ditch will be where runoff will be taken care of. Again this drainage ditch runs to the Yakima River.

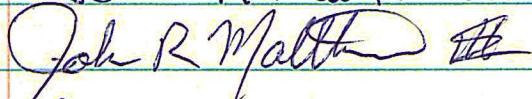
These numbers don't add up.

5 acres 25% coverage = 1.25 acres

In the SEPA (3)(a) 1 there are 2 ponds east of the Thorp Hwy. in the Gibson gravel pit, across the Hwy from this property. The drainage ditch is approx. 60' north of this property. This should be a real concern for stormwater run off. All are closer than mile from this project.

Thank You

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Commissioner

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