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**To:** HARTT Laura A \* WRD  
**Subject:** Groundwater Allocation Project- Public Comment

Hello Ms. Hartt,

I would like to express my concerns with the proposed rules under the Groundwater Allocation Project. **I believe that the rulemaking should be paused, and additional time should be taken to write the rules.**

From my current understanding of the rules, the largest issue seems to be “potential for substantial interference” with surface water sources. That if any hydraulic connection exists with an over appropriated stream, that application will be denied. Experienced industry peers whom I respect, are concerned with the current modeling. They believe the modeling will always produce a value greater than zero when determining hydraulic connectivity to nearby streams. Additionally, there appears to be no limit on how far an evaluated stream can be from the proposed well.

This could deny water usage even in places where resources are available. Many industry peers and I believe that this could effectively be a stop on new ground water right applications. I believe in sustainable and responsible but beneficial use of our groundwater resources. I believe more time should be taken to resolve these concerns.

Thanks for your consideration,

*Ryan Gill*

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