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Pine Valley Water Supply & Conservation Project

To Whom It May Concern:

As a long-time resident of Cedar Valley, I have served in many aspects of the community. I have participated in the Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, and the CICWCD Water Advisory Committee.

I have served as a Utah House of Representatives as the District 72 Representative since January 2019. As a Representative serving in the Cedar Valley, I recognize the great need for additional water resources in the Cedar Valley. In 2019, I was able to help the CICWCD acquire \$250,000 from the Utah Legislature to help the District streamline and complete the environmental impact statement for the Pine Valley Water Supply & Conservation Project. State officials understand that this is a good project, and the money has and will be well spent to help secure the future of Cedar Valley.

Cedar Valley has high growth in population, and natural growth will not automatically cease. There is no convenient switch that can be flipped to stop growth. Instead we must responsibly plan for and manage what is currently happening to ensure a high quality of life for us and those who will follow.

The Pine Valley Water Supply and Conservation Project adds another reliable source of water to help ensure uninterrupted water delivery to homes and businesses now and in the future. The PVWS project will also help protect against inevitable droughts by providing additional water supplies and allowing for more local storage, as our region has gone through many droughts in the past.

As a Utah House Representative, I must look at the infrastructure we need to support our quality of life, health and safety, and economy for the residents in District 72. It is our duty and responsibility to prepare for the growth projected for our area. It's imperative that we plan in advance of needing this water. Additional water resources are desperately needed in this valley. For these reasons, I voice my support of the Pine Valley Water Supply and Conservation Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rex P Shipp". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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