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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Scott Boettcher Chehalis Basin Flood Authority scottb@sbgh-partners.com

Dear Scott:

I am writing to formally express my interest in the four-year position on the Chehalis Basin Board. I am committed to regularly attending Chehalis Basin Board meetings and Chehalis Basin Flood Authority meetings, as required.

I currently sit as a County Commissioner for Thurston County, District Three, which is the western district that contains most of Thurston County's portion of the Chehalis Basin. Prior to being elected to the Thurston County Commission, I had a 21-year career as an attorney, working in the fields of criminal defense, family law, intellectual property, and appellate practice. I am a collaborative person and highly-motivated to seek mutually-beneficial solutions on difficult issues.

In addition, I have a particular passion for issues related to water. Currently I am Thurston County's representative on the Chehalis Basin Flood Authority. I am also Thurston County's representative on: (1) the Chehalis Basin Partnership's Planning Unit, (2) the Alliance for a Healthy South Sound Executive Committee, (3) LOTT Clean Water Alliance's Board of Directors, and (4) the PSP Salmon Recovery Council. I sought out these assignments upon election to the County Commission. Previously, as a non-elected citizen, I served on Thurston County's Water Conservancy Board, from 2010-2013.

Of the seven members currently serving on the Chehalis Basin Board, no one represents Thurston County. I believe having a Thurston County representative will enhance the Board's credibility when presenting its work to the Governor, the Legislature, and the public.

If I can provide any further information, please let me know. Thank you for your careful consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

S. Tye Menser