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Congressman Chris Stewart
253 W St George Blvd
St George, Utah 84770

Re: Letter of Support for Ivins City Phase 1 Irrigation System Improvements, Ivins, Utah 2nd
Congressional District

Dear Congressman Stewart:

The purpose of this letter is to show support for Ivins City to receive a grant to construct Phase 1 of the Ivins City Irrigation System Improvements. For years Ivins City has required development to install irrigation pipelines alongside drinking water pipelines even though there was no operating irrigation system. The advantage of having an irrigation system is that it opens up sources of water that are do not meet drinking water standards for irrigation purposes, thus more water supplies are available.

Washington County's existing water supplies have been strained due to drought, impacts of climate change and the growth of the area. The county as a whole is looking to find ways to conserve and optimize water usage. We ask you to support the project and submit it to receive grant earmark funding from the Community Project Funding in the upcoming appropriations bill.

We strongly support Ivins City's development of its irrigation system, and we collectively ask for your support in this grant request. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Candice Hasenyager, P.E.
Director