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DATE: May 15, 2009

TO: Council Members
FR: EQC Staff
RE: The Upcoming Environmental Quality Council (EQC) Meeting and Other Matters

Welcome to the 2009-2010 interim and the 38th year of the EQC!

Enclosed you'll find:

- the draft agenda for the May 28th and 29th EQC meeting
- the draft 2009-10 EQC Work Plan and Work Plan Matrix
- a memorandum soliciting your suggestions for EQC study topics

AND introducing ...

- The EQC Broadcast! This enclosed CD provides an audio/visual guide through your information packet. Just follow the instructions on the CD cover.

The May EQC meeting is a very important one because the Council reviews, discusses, and adopts components of its draft work plan for the interim. The EQC's work plan prioritizes study and oversight topics, allocates staff and Council resources, establishes an interim meeting date calendar, and generally sets the tone for the interim.

We have enclosed the *Council Member's Guide to the Environmental Quality Council*. You will find the *Guide* very useful in helping you prepare for this first EQC meeting and the interim generally.

Your mailing packets also include the following additional materials:

- laws of interest to the EQC that were passed during the 2009 Session
- an historical overview of the study of water issues during legislative interims
- EQC minutes from July 2008 not adopted by the Council last interim
- EQC draft rules and procedures
- criteria for establishing subcommittees
- a tentative EQC meeting schedule for the 2009-2010 Interim

As is the EQC tradition, we will be having a no-host dinner at the Marysville House Monday evening, May 28th, at 6:00 p.m. to celebrate the service of outgoing EQC Members. Maps of the route to Marysville will be provided at the EQC meeting.

We hope that those of you that were involved in the legislative session have had a chance to relax and take some time to catch your breath. The EQC staff is looking forward to working with all of you throughout the interim. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact us:

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