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Item D6

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To:Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Reno Mayor and City Council,

I am writing to you to offer support to the final draft of the Truckee Vision River Plan as it currently exists. I strongly support the emphasis on the ecological health of the Truckee river as well as the river safety component of the plan.

I would hope that one of the first projects that the plan allows for is a study of the health of the river through the entire study area. I would be interested where run off and contamination might be a problem. Having spent time in the river downtown the run off from the city streets can be pretty noxious following rain events. The effect of the dams along this stretch in water temperature, sedimentation, stagnation and algae or invasive species growth would be good to know and may be another reason to study the dams in this stretch and maybe a reason for their removal. Perhaps the city can work with UNR to encourage such work to be undertaken by offering the university a grant towards an environmental science study.

As a paddler and river advocate I certainly would remiss to not speak up in favor of the study to determine the future of the existing dams on the river. All of the dams offer hazards to recreational users. The taller structures ie Gorilla, Verdi and Steline dams lack any fish passage to allow for fish migration. The dams should be evaluated for their intended purpose, structural integrity, harm they are causing to the environmental health of the river and finally to the risks that they present to the public.

Thanks for your time.

Peter Harvey

City Council Comment received from Charles Albright

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Truckee River Vision Plan.

Position:

No position stated - Concerned or Neutral

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No, I am submitting a written comment only.

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I am VERY Concerned that our Cities and County are NOT realizing the DAMAGE that the dams do to OUR RIVER. They create very little power, they dewater many sections of our river causing damage to the river in those area as well as all of the shoreline habitat. Stagnant water is very susceptible to algae and other forms of pollution. The TMWA Dams do NOT make money in the big picture. All the dams are hazards to people recreating in the Truckee River as well as on shore. We NEED a free flowing river. With the removal of many dams and allowing the TROA Flow Rates to still exist the river would greatly improve it water quality. Fleisch and Verdi Dams must go away. Chalk Bluff must be rebuilt to be a safe perhaps whitewater type structure. The abandoned "Ambrose /South Side Dam " is over 100 years old and serves NO PURPOSE. It is a hazard. Glendale Dam is a huge hazard and is clearly not safe in any way. Nor is the Westside Ditch diversion there as it has many hazards as well. The downstream face of the Steamboat Ditch/ Stateline Dam" is incredibly hazardous. And it is in Washoe County. A relatively easy fix could make it so much safer. Yet still divert water. Washoe/ Highland Dam could with some new thinking be a very safe structure and again allow irrigation as well as safe passage. These points MUST be made as fact if Reno and their Truckee River Vision Plan is ever to

actually be about a safe and cleaner river. These

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