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RE: Bina Peters Letter of Support

Dear Mr. Bird,

I am writing this public comment in support of Bina Peters application for the position of associate water judge for the Montana Water Court. I engaged Bina in 2022 to help work through a complex Musselshell River water right adjudication issue on our family farm in Ryegate, Montana. Her legal expertise, thoughtful decision-making, and ability to constructively navigate a complex situation involving the water rights of our farm, enabled us to successfully resolve various competing claims. Most importantly, all was accomplished in a way that was timely, practical and cost effective, ultimately benefitting the other Musselshell water-users in this small, rural community as well.

Beyond her legal and practical expertise, I found Bina to be extremely personable, a highly effective communicator, an excellent listener and thoughtful questioner. I believe all to be fantastic qualities for the position she is seeking.

I am confident that Bina Peters possesses the necessary qualities to excel as a water judge. I strongly believe her knowledge of related law and experience dealing effectively with complicated and sometimes controversial water related issues, will be an asset to the Montana Water Court. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information about Bina Peters.

Sincerely,

Bruce McKnight