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To: McLaughlin, Beth
Subject: RE: Public Comment re: Stephen R. Brown, Chief Water Judge Applicant

From: Calkins, Sara <Sara.Calkins@mt.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2024 2:26 PM
To: McLaughlin, Beth <bmclaughlin@mt.gov>
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Dear Beth,

I am writing to enthusiastically recommend Judge Stephen R. Brown for the position of Chief Water Judge. In my role as Court Administrator, I have had the privilege of working closely with Judge Brown, and I greatly appreciate his problem-solving approach and calm demeanor, especially during challenging times. His ability to remain unflappable is inspiring, often encouraging not just me but the entire team. With firsthand experience observing Judge Brown in action, I can confidently attest to his exceptional skills, unwavering dedication, and commitment to impartiality. His remarkable fairness, wisdom, and ability to navigate complex legal issues have earned him the respect and admiration of his peers and those who have appeared before him. His leadership qualities, combined with his expertise in water law, make him an outstanding candidate for this vital role, and I firmly believe he will excel as the Chief Water Judge.

Thank you so much for your consideration,

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