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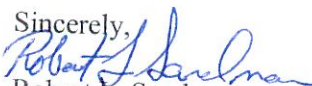
RE: Swan Ecosystem Center's 319 Watershed Grant Request

Anne,

This letter is written to inform you of the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation's (DNRC) support for Swan Ecosystem Center's 319 grant proposal to accomplish the following tasks:

1. Continuing the annual activities and coordination of the Technical Advisory Group.
2. Coordinating the establishment of a Watershed Group.
3. Completing restoration activities to reduce sedimentation from forest roads near the headwaters of the Swan River.
4. Continuing lake and stream trend monitoring.
5. Conducting outreach and education to help agencies, residents and visitors protect and maintain water quality, and achieve the goals of the Swan TMDL.

DNRC and Swan River State Forest are strongly committed to protecting water quality. Swan Ecosystem Center has been and continues to be effective and efficient in coordinating the efforts of a broad range of participants toward this goal in the Swan valley. Without these types of funds, completing actions necessary to ensure healthy watersheds would be extremely difficult for stakeholders.

Sincerely,

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