From: Vaughan, Warren

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2009 3:53 PM

To: English, Alan

Subject:

Alan – question for you – if the Amsterdam/Churchill area does want to join the LWQD, what is the process?

Warren Vaughan

From: English, Alan

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 8:05 AM

To: Vaughan, Warren

Subject: RE:

Hi Warren: The process consists of the Gallatin Local Water Quality District Board holding a hearing to discuss and pass a resolution of intent to amend the boundary of the LWQD. Once this resolution is passed, all property owners in the new areas included in the change would have to be notified in writing of the intent, and provided with instructions on how to protest the change. If less than 20% of impacted property owners protest the LWQD Board can hold a second hearing to discuss and approve a Resolution to Amend the Bounday. If that resolution is passed, the process is generally complete as far as I know. The boundary change as proposed includes Big Sky, the Churchill Amsterdam area, more of the north valley (including lower Dry Creek), and the Logan area.

What we would like to do is hold some type of town meeting in Churchill Amsterdam to explain the LWQD desire to expand into the area, and discuss the potential benefits, and the fees. We have been holding off waiting for the Community Planning Group. If there is support for the idea in the area, the main thing would be to provide some sort of written and/or verbal testimony at the hearings so the Board gets the comments on record. Cheers, Alan