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To: Kent L. Jones, State Engineer
Utah Division of Water Rights
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October 16, 2018

Dear Mr. Kent:

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I am writing you in regard to the permanent change application filed by the EID. I am a resident of Pinecrest and have a private well. As you may know we also have a water company up here. You also must be aware of the desparately dry conditions we experienced this summer. In the recent snow event the toll of a foot of heavy wet snow on our extremely dessicated trees was alarming. I understand that EID wants to prove up on it's water shares but if there is no water available what is the point? The state seems to be putting pressure on the EID for an additional 5 wells and 500 homes. We need to be sheperding our water resources with great care and adequate data and an eye to sustainability. This developement plan is in no way realistic. As a member of the canyon community I feel it is very important for those of us who live up here to have a voice in any decisions involving our water resources. I am also concerned for the impact on wildlife. The Bonneville Cutthroat trout have vanished and the concentration of deer in upper Emigration creek, which flows through Pinecrest, is particularly evident. I ask that there be no further action on this application without extensive data on our current water conditions. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,
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