

Granger aides Council in water fight

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Another entity recently added its voice and funds in opposition to the Million Water Diversion Project.

During last night's Green River City Council Meeting, Granger Mayor Lenore Perry contributed \$3,000 to help with the fight of the Million Water Diversion Litigation.

Perry said the town of Granger supports this effort 100 percent, and all of the citizens are interested in helping out this cause.

She said she first became aware of how delicate the water situation was during a speech given by Sen. Harry Reed of Nevada a number of years ago. Perry said Reed made the comment, "If you don't give us your water, we shall take it."

"I thought that was a rather aggressive attitude to take and now I realize that's a fairly widespread attitude outside of Wyoming," Perry said. "I think the time is coming soon and indeed is already here when we understand that our water is much more valuable than our oil and that everything we have depends on it."

Currently the town of Granger receives a portion of its water from the Ham's Fork and the Green River.

The town also was been able to draw water off FMC's intake for the last 30 years.

"We are grateful to them but we also know how much we depend on the Green River. We hope to grow and without adequate water none of us here or in Granger or in Rock Springs is going to be able to grow," Perry said. "We want to protect our water as much as possible, so we have voted to hit our budget which is very tiny compared to yours and we are planning to contribute \$3,000 to the effort.

"I realize that's minuscule as to what's going to be needed we're also willing and eager to contribute time to getting the message out to the populous."

Mayor Hank Castillon thanked Perry for the contribution during the meeting.

"I appreciate the generous offering that you are making. I know it's a tough year for everybody for budgets, Castillon said. "I think it sends a strong message when a community as small as Granger makes a contribution to this endeavor."