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FW: Follow-up for delegation presentation Feb 25th - Bruce Gibbons (Merville Water

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Jessica - for the mail log.

Thank you, jodi

## **Jodi Graham**

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From: Bruce & Nicole Sent: May-17-19 9:06 AM

**To:** Jodi Graham **Cc:** Anja Nurvo

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Hello Mayor and Councillors. I am inquiring as to when I might see my request for action come before Council for a decision. One of my requests has been dealt with at the AVICC where the Strathcona Regional District resolution was passed unanimously. I am very pleased with that outcome. However, that resolution does not yet protect groundwater from existing or future licences for extraction for bottling. If the resolution is passed at the UBCM convention and then the provincial government accepts and acts on the resolution, then groundwater will be protected from bottling and commercial sale. However, the provincial government is not obligated to act on UBCM resolutions. In the meantime, groundwater is still at risk from existing licences and the FLNRORD Ministry continues to approve new licences. It is still critical for local government to take decisive action to protect and control what is within their purview. It is still critical for the Township of Esquimalt to change bylaws to prohibit the bottling of groundwater.

I look forward to hearing about the status of my request, and look forward to seeing progressive, decisive action from Council.

Thank you for your consideration.

Bruce Gibbons
Merville Water Guardians

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