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In defense of our director Flohr

On August 26 the Territorial Dispatch published a piece written by Buck Weckmann, in which he rudely expressed his opinion of our irrigation director, Dr. Flohr.

Apart from disagreeing with his assessment completely, I would like to point out that she is an elected official and really should not be referred to in a public forum with such language. Freedom of opinion is a beautiful thing, but publishing slander and hate speech not so much...

Secondly, in her position as representative of the irrigation customers of Dobbins and Oregon

House, we notice that she is doing a great job!

She is relentlessly confronting NYWD with its unwillingness to provide clear information to the public:

She asks for numbers to be backed up by research, sources or science, which seems totally reasonable for a board of directors making big decisions.

She proposed a proper budget discussion with public participation instead of rubber stamping a multimillion dollar budget proposal.

And she advocates for continuing delivery of irrigation water to customers that pay for it and count

on it, both for agricultural business and for fire protection in this dry area.

The management refuses to share any documents with her, a member of the Board of Directors, so she has to rely on multiple Public Information Requests to do her job.

Somehow it is hard for me to understand what interest Mr. Weckmann, a domestic customer, has in how our irrigation division's director represents us, her constituents.

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