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Methow Headwaters Campaign lauds Congressman Newhouse’s support of Methow Headwaters Mineral Withdrawal

The Methow Headwaters Campaign offers its sincere thanks to Rep. Dan Newhouse for his support of the Methow Headwaters mineral withdrawal.

Rep. Newhouse’s Feb. 28 letter to Secretaries Zinke and Perdue requesting swift action in concluding the mineral withdrawal comes at an important time. There is critical work that needs to be completed prior to the year’s end, including a public meeting, completion of the mineral withdrawal environmental review, and a final review of the recommendation and ultimate approval by the Secretary of the Interior. Congressman Newhouse’s leadership is helping ensure the process moves forward.

The Methow Headwaters withdrawal has strong community support. This includes more than 135 businesses, the Towns of Twisp and Winthrop, the Winthrop Chamber Commerce, angling organizations, hunters, backcountry horsemen, farmers, outdoor recreational enthusiasts, tribal nations, civic and elected leaders, numerous local organizations, and thousands of individuals. The bipartisan support for the Methow Headwaters withdrawal is significant. This includes continuing leadership by U.S. Senators Cantwell and Murray, and support from the 12th Legislative District’s Sen. Brad Hawkins, and Representatives Mike Steele and Cary Condotta.

Rep. Newhouse and his staff have taken the time to listen to withdrawal supporters, and we are grateful for the actions he has taken in support of the Methow Valley, its residents, and our economy.

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