

* my brother Tom - owns + Farms Family home (ask ~~for~~ ~~the~~ ~~bill~~)

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I Intro 70 line west in not

in Favor with stipulation - my reasons + history why I grew up on a farm north of Ray, oil field has been good for me
worked in oil summer GI bill - tuition
Landowner has irrigated land west wildross ^{that} my family

(pause)

Approx 15 yr ago

irrigation pivots - he built a water depot for sole purpose of selling spray water to farmers, oil companies began buying frac water from depot

2010

landowner, I + 2 others become partners and began building more depots (some of you were not here at beginning)

I did well on my investment but then WAsa came in in 2012-13 - then down turn on oil

others ^{private} opposed and lobbied against WAsa from beginning.

- Why 1) my investment would be at risk/competing with government
 2) I believe in private enterprise
 3) we in the NW have seen booms bust - highs lows in oil we private providers stressed this from beginning
 4) Need for good water is essential to rural + municipal

I agree with bill except the minimum price WAsa should be allowed to sell is 84¢ as it once was.

I sold my interest last December - 76 yr old

An engineering co. over sold + lobbied hard for WAsa since beginning for this failed project, and have made millions 20mill
 * they were instrumental proforma forecast (no 374 4511 (no risk) (Bitten than an oil well)