

Subject: LORI WATERS from Barbara Kelly May 5th., 2008
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Hello Lori:

It's been a while since we communicated with one another. Bill and I live on West Saanich Road.

I thought that I would let you know of my own involvement with the Senanus water project.

Senanus came to our attention when there was a house down there we wanted to purchase. We found out, however, that all the water had to be trucked in, so we did not buy.

Later on, we learned that a group of people on Senanus were trying to get municipal water as so many of the original wells had dried up or the water was no longer potable. After many years of trying, it seemed that this group of people on the street would have to eventually have municipal water brought to the area if only for health reasons.

With this knowledge, Bill and I bought a house at the end of Senanus on the ocean. I started to work with the people of Senanus to get the petition going again for permission to get Central Saanich to allow for the mains water. Unfortunately, there seemed to be an attitude on the municipal council that made it appear that they would not be in favour of the water being brought in in the foreseeable future. One councillor suggested collecting rainwater! One said that water would never be brought to Senanus. So, after the architect had drawn up the plans for a lovely new house, and the lot was surveyed for it, we sold the house and land on Senanus.

Lori, Bill and I have a large family and ten grandchildren. We did not want to miss their childhood years. No one would visit us if the well water was unsafe, or we had to truck in water that could be contaminated enroute.

The Canadian Government has shown its eagerness to provide safe and potable water to its citizens by allocating \$330 m to our First Nations People.

The Central Saanich residents of Senanus are not asking for a handout. They just need safe water. Do you not agree?

As the Frank Towler and all the people who have worked hard for more that twelve years to get the Central Saanich Municipal Council to accept the petition for mains water, CONGRATULATIONS. Hopefully, this clean water arrives before someone gets sick.

I offered to help once we moved (still in Central Saanich), but Mr. Towler graciously declined as it was a matter for the people involved in the petition area.

I hope all is well. All the best, Barbara

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