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INTRODUCED BY: BRUCE LAING

PROPOSED NO. 82-701

MOTION NO. 5619

A MOTION expressing concern for the protection of public ground waters in King County, requesting METRO to provide tunnel test data and information regarding alternative construction methods, requesting METRO to apply for permits from appropriate state agencies for the construction of the METRO Renton sewage tunnel, and requesting supplementation of the Lake Washington/Green River Basin EIS to consider the potential environmental impacts from METRO tunnel construction.

WHEREAS, the public ground waters in King County constitute a precious and irreplaceable resource, and

WHEREAS, the public ground waters in King County constitute a present and future source of water for King County and its political subdivisions, and

WHEREAS, METRO has proposed the construction of a tunnel in King County to carry sewage effluent from the Renton Treatment Plant to Puget Sound, and

WHEREAS, the Lake Washington/Green River Basin EIS addressing the proposed METRO tunnel does not discuss the potential environmental impact on the aquifer from dewatering during construction of the tunnel nor does it address the construction alternatives to dewatering the aquifer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

A. The County Council is concerned about the protection of the public ground waters in the interest of the general health, safety, and welfare of the present and future King County residents.

B. METRO is hereby requested to provide the County Council with test bore data relating to the dewatering of the aquifer in the construction of the METRO tunnel and information regarding alternative construction methods.

1 C. METRO is hereby requested to apply for all necessary and
 2 proper permits to appropriate, withdraw or divert the aquifer in
 3 the construction of the METRO tunnel from all appropriate state
 4 agencies, most specifically the State Department of Ecology
 5 pursuant to the provisions of RCW 90.03 et seq. and RCW 90.44
 6 et seq.

7 D. METRO and the State Department of Ecology are hereby
 8 requested to prepare a supplemental draft environmental impact
 9 statement pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental
 10 Policy Act, RCW ch. 43.21C, and the National Environmental
 11 Policy Act, 42, U.S.C. §§ 4321 et seq., to consider the potential
 12 environmental impacts from construction of the METRO tunnel,
 13 including but not limited to the impacts on the aquifer from
 14 dewatering or alternative processes. METRO and the State
 15 Department of Ecology are further requested to respond to the
 16 King County Council on or before March 31, 1983.

17 E. The King County Executive is hereby requested to call
 18 upon the King County Environmental Impact Review Committee to
 19 review the draft supplemental Environmental Impact Statement,
 20 in conjunction with proposed tunnel construction impacts and
 21 the "Wastewater Management Plan for the Lake Washington/Green
 22 River Basins Environmental Impact Statement", and to report
 23 regularly on its review to the Council's Growth Management
 24 Committee.

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 26 PASSED this 6th day of December, 1982.

27 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
 28 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

29 Lois North
 30 Chairman

31 ATTEST:

32 Dorothy M. Jensen
 33 DEPUTY Clerk of the Council

