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Sherry Forsyth
Vice Chair
Saskatchewan Alliance for Water Sustainability
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Dear Sherry Forsyth:

Thank you for your July 29, 2019, letter to the Honourable Dustin Duncan, Minister of Environment, regarding a roundtable discussion on mitigating solutions to flooding in the Quill Lakes. Your letter was referred to me; I appreciate the opportunity to respond.

On behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan, I understand the concerns expressed by the Saskatchewan Alliance for Water Sustainability (SAWS) regarding high water levels in the Quill Lakes basin.

To proceed to a roundtable discussion, I recommend that SAWS and QLWA meet with WSA officials first to discuss both the goals and utility of such a forum. This will lead to a better mutual understanding and determine the level of support for the public discussion.

If your SAWS Board wish to proceed with an interim meeting, please contact Clinton Molde, Executive Director, Integrated Water Services, at 306.694.8904 or email Clinton.Molde@wsask.ca.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Greg Ottenbreit

Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Water Security Agency

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