

March 17, 2010

Choices for Cheney
c/o Community Development Dept.
City of Cheney
112 Anderson Road
Cheney, WA 99004

Re: Proposed Increases in Urban Growth Boundaries

Dear Decision Makers,

We live in Spokane and for the last 25 years have visited and thoroughly enjoyed the Turnbull NWR. With us have been our children, from infancy to now the teen years. Our children have also visited with their schools and have learned from refuge rangers and volunteers.

Cheney should be proud to have this NWR treasure in its backyard and should consider its responsibility to do everything to preserve the Turnbull NWR and support its growth. Remarkable strides have been made through the hard work and planning by the Turnbull NWR. We're sorry to say so, but we're appalled that Cheney could even consider encroaching on the buffer zone between Cheney's urban development and the Turnbull NWR.

The plan proposed by the City of Cheney is not appropriate and will most certainly disturb the wildlife there. Our entire family sincerely hopes you will take your stewardship responsibility seriously and cease this plan immediately.

Sincerely,

Kathy + Marcel Arpin

Marcel & Kathy Arpin
Spokane Valley, WA