

We would be surrounded by dry, weedy fields ready to ignite in a fire.

We would lose our agricultural economy and the ability to sustain ourselves.

Climate change will only make it worse.

WHY WORRY? Because there is currently a high-powered investment company in our valley trying to buy water rights, strip them from the land, and send them out of the Methow watershed. Once the water leaves the Methow, for all practical purposes, it will never be used to irrigate lands in the valley again.

## WHAT CAN YOU DO?

If you own water and are approached about selling it, please contact us first to talk about your options.

If you don't own water but care about keeping water in our valley, write letters to the editor, write to your legislators, talk about water with your friends and neighbors, pay attention to what's going on in your area of the valley and stay informed.

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