**Phone Call Script for Federal Representatives**

**📞 Call: [Representative/Senator’s Office Phone Number]**

**👋 Greeting:**  
“Hello, my name is [Your Name], and I am a resident of [Your City], Oregon. I am calling to express my serious concerns about the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ (USACE) planned sediment release from Detroit Dam in the fall of 2025 and how it will impact our community’s drinking water.”

**📢 Key Message:**

* The drawdown will release excessive sediment into the North Santiam River, the primary drinking water source for Stayton and other cities.
* Similar drawdowns on the South Santiam River caused extreme turbidity levels—far beyond what our water treatment systems can handle.
* If this happens to our water supply, Stayton’s treatment system could fail, leaving thousands without clean drinking water.
* The cost to mitigate this crisis is expected to be in the millions, and local ratepayers should not be forced to bear this burden alone.

**🛑 Request for Action:**  
“I urge [Representative/Senator’s Name] to take action by:\*\*

1. Pressuring USACE to delay the drawdown to allow time for mitigation efforts.
2. Securing federal funding to help affected communities prepare and protect our water supply.
3. Advocating for a long-term solution to prevent this from happening again in future years.”

**🙏 Closing:**  
“Please let [Representative/Senator’s Name] know that the people of Stayton and other affected communities need their immediate support. This is an urgent issue, and we cannot afford to wait. Thank you for your time, and I appreciate your help in protecting our water.”