Memorandum

To: Idaho Water Resource Board

From: Helen Harrington

Re: Rathdrum Prairie CAMP Update

Date: November 6, 2013

Status Update

The RP CAMP Advisory Committee met on October 10 and will meet on November 14, 2013. A meeting is also scheduled for December 12, 2013. The purpose of these meetings is to work on preparing a Request for Proposal and associated materials which will be used to solicit proposals. The proposals will be considered for funding by the IWRB CAMP Implementation Revolving Development sub-account. The IWRB passed a motion in January, 2012 which set aside funding to implement CAMPs adopted since the ESPA CAMP was adopted. During the first year of funding availability, it was apparent that a defined process needed to be developed. The advisory committee is working with staff to develop the materials needed to issue a Request for Proposals in early 2014.

With the advisory committee's guidance, staff is preparing the RFP, a cover sheet announcing the issuance, evaluation criteria and a process flow chart. All the materials will be finalized and presented to the Water Resource Planning Committee and IWRB in January, 2014.

Other Items

As discussed in the committee update, the Water Resource Planning Committee met on October 10 and discussed several topics related to the RP CAMP. Regarding advisory committee membership, the IWRB received a request to replace a current member with a consultant to act on the behalf of Stimpson Lumber Co. The Committee has recommended that the timber interests in the area can be adequately represented by current Advisory Committee Member Kermit Keibert and that the consultant be invited to participate as a member of the Ad Hoc Resource Network. This group is an ad hoc group of technical experts and agencies who are called upon when specific information is needed to assist the RP CAMP AC and implementation efforts. If the IWRB agrees, Stimpson Lumber Co. will be notified that the resignation of the current member will be accepted and that Mr. Keibert can be used as a conduit to share specific comments or information that Stimpson Lumber Co. would like transmitted to the RP CAMP AC.

The IWRB Water Resource Planning Committee discussed the proposal for funding from Ralston Hydrologic Services, Inc. at their October 10 meeting. The title of the proposal is *"Evaluation of Alternative Ground-Water Pumping Schemes as an Approach to Mitigating Problems of Critical Low Flow in the Spokane River at Spokane, Washington"*. The committee recommended that Dr. Ralston make a presentation to the Board at the November 19 work session, which has been scheduled. Additionally, the IDWR technical staff will conduct an initial review and determine if the concepts in this study have merit for further investigation. On July 24, 2013, the Rathdrum Prairie CAMP Advisory Committee recommended that the technical study be funded through the Revolving Development Account at an amount of $70,000. A copy of the investigation proposal is attached.

If the IWRB wishes to take an action, a resolution is attached for consideration.