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Brett Crompton being first duly sworn on oath, states:

That he is the Publisher of The Power County Press, a newspaper of general circulation in Power County, Idaho, published weekly at American Falls in said county, that said newspaper has been published in said county uninterruptedly and continuously for over seventy-eight consecutive weeks, prior to the first publication of the annexed notice or advertisement:

That the annexed notice or advertisement was published as per clipping attached in the regular and entire edition of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof for 2 successive weekly issues thereof, the date of the first publication being the 4th day of January 2017 and the date of the last publication being the 11th day of January 2017.

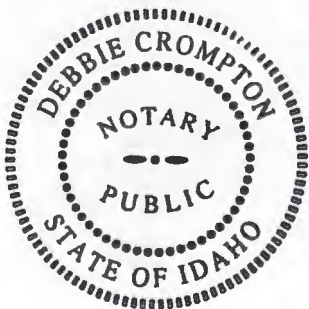
Signed

Brett Crompton

State of Idaho

County of Power

On this 11th day of January in the year of 2017, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Brett Crompton, known or identified to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein are true, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.



Debbie Crompton

Notary Public for Idaho
Residing at American Falls, Idaho
My commission expires: July 25, 2022

✓ OK DM 1/30/2017

Notice of interim mitigation plan

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NOTICE OF INTERIM MITIGATION PLAN SUBMITTED BY SOUTHWEST AND GOOSE CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICTS AND THE SURFACE WATER COALITION

Notice is hereby given that, on December 21, 2016, Southwest Irrigation District and Goose Creek Irrigation District (collectively, "SWID"), and A&B Irrigation District, American Falls Reservoir District #2, Milner Irrigation District, Minidoka Irrigation District, North Side Canal Company, and Twin Falls Canal Company (collectively, the "Surface Water Coalition"), through counsel of the firms Parsons, Smith, Loveland, Stone & Shirley LLP, 137 West 13th St., P.O. Box 910, Burley, Idaho, 83318; Barker Rosholt & Simpson LLP, P.O. Box 63, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0063; and Fletcher Law Office, P.O. Box 248, Burley, Idaho 83318, submitted to the Idaho Department of Water Resources ("Department") a Stipulation and Joint Motion for Approval of Interim Mitigation Agreement for 2017 ("Interim Mitigation Plan for 2017").

SWID represents numerous landowners who hold ground water rights for irrigation, commercial, and other non-de minimis consumptive uses located within the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer and other areas of Cassia and Twin Falls Counties. Certain of these ground water rights have priority dates junior to the priority dates of surface water rights held by the Surface Water Coalition ("SWC"). The Interim Mitigation Plan for 2017 intends to benefit senior water rights held by members of the SWC involved in the SWC delivery call.

In 2013, the Director of the Department approved a stipulated interim mitigation plan submitted by SWID and the SWC that proposed certain aquifer mitigation activities

to be undertaken by SWID on an annual basis including groundwater recharge, conversions, and voluntary curtailment. In exchange, the SWC agreed that SWID's members' junior-priority ground water rights would not be subject to curtailment in response to the SWC water delivery call. The stipulated interim mitigation plan expired December 31, 2015. In 2016, the Director approved a request by SWID and the SWC to extend the stipulated interim mitigation plan for another year from January 1, 2016, to December 31, 2016. SWID and the SWC now request that the Director approve extension of the stipulated interim mitigation plan through December 31, 2017. Interim Mitigation Plan for 2017 at 2.

The Department will process the Interim Mitigation Plan for 2017 pursuant to the Department's Conjunctive Management Rules (IDAPA 37.03.11). A complete copy of the Interim Mitigation Plan for 2017 is available for review at either the Department's State Office in Boise, the Department's Regional Office in Twin Falls, or at the following website link:

<http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/legal-actions/mitigation-plan-actions/SWC/SWID.html>

The Department has not determined the adequacy of the proposed Interim Mitigation Plan for 2017. Any protest against approval of the Interim Mitigation Plan for 2017 must be filed with any Department office, together with a protest fee of \$25, on or before January 23, 2017. The protest must include a certificate of service showing that a copy of the protest has been mailed to or served upon counsel for SWID and the SWC.

Gary Spackman, Director

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