## NOTICE OF THE DESIGNATION OF THE AMERICAN FALLS GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AREA

Notice is hereby given that on August 3, 2001, the Director of the Department of Water Resources, Karl J. Dreher, ("Director") established the American Falls Ground Water Management Area ("GWMA"). This action, conducted pursuant to Section 42-233b, Idaho Code, was initiated on the Director's own motion due to the drought conditions being experienced across the Snake River Plain and on a determination that the ground water system in the area may be approaching the conditions of a critical ground water area.

The location of the American Falls GWMA is shown on the attached map and includes all or parts of the following townships along the Snake River in Bannock, Blaine, Bingham, Cassia, Minidoka, and Power Counties:

T8S and T9S, R25E, Boise Meridian (B.M.); T8S and T9S, R26E, B.M.; T8S and T9S, R27E, B.M.; T8S and T9S, R28E, B.M.; T8S and T9S, R29E, B.M.; T6S, T7S. T8S and T9S, R30E, B.M.; T4S, T5S, T6S, T7S and T8S, R31E, B.M.; T3S, T4S, T5S, T6S and T7S, R32E, B.M.; T2S, T3S, T4S, T5S, T6S and T7S, R33E, B.M.; T2S, T3S, T4S, T5S and T6S, R34E, B.M.; T1S, T2S, T3S, T4S and T5S, T35E, B.M.; and T1S, T2S and T3S, R36E, B.M.

Upon request by interested parties and a showing that a hearing is needed, the Director will schedule a hearing in connection with the designation. Request for hearing must be received within 15 days of the final date of publication of this notice.

Notice is <u>also</u> hereby given that the Director has received a petition from the Twin Falls Canal Company and the North Side Canal Company to designate all of Hydrologic Basin 35, as defined in department records and shown on the attached map, as a ground water management area. The Director has scheduled a public hearing on the petition of the Twin Falls Canal Company and the North Side Canal Company at 10 a.m. on August 28, 2001. The hearing will be held at the IDWR Conference Room, 1301 North Orchard St., Boise, Idaho. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with provisions of chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, and the Rules of Procedure of the Department.

The hearing will be conducted in a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require special accommodations in order to attend, participate in or understand the hearing, please advise the department within (10) days prior to the hearing.

KARL J. DREHER Director



