

ADMINISTRATOR'S MEMORANDUM

To: Water Management Division
Adjudication Bureau

Application Processing Memo #52
Licensing Memo #9
Transfer Processing Memo #16
Adjudication Memo #39

From: Norman C. Young *NCY*

Re: STANDARDS FOR IRRIGATION CONSUMPTIVE USE REQUIREMENTS,
IRRIGATION FIELD HEADGATE REQUIREMENTS, AND IRRIGATION SEASON OF
USE

Date: October 12, 1999

A new 1:1,000,000 scale map of the "Irrigation Season of Use" presents a new standard for use in water right adjudication and water right licenses, permits, and transfers. A reduced reproduction of the map is attached to this memo; the reduced reproduction is for illustrative purpose only. The official version of the map is in digital format and can be accessed by contacting the Adjudication Bureau. A full-size copy of the map is available in the SRBA map case.

The 1:1,000,000 scale map of the state of Idaho dated December 1991 and entitled "Consumptive Irrigation Requirement, Field Headgate Requirement and Season of Use" is still necessary for the Consumptive Irrigation and Field Headgate Requirements. A reduced reproduction of the map is also attached to this memo; the reduced reproduction is for illustrative purpose only. An official copy of the map is available in the SRBA map case.

The purpose of these maps is to provide consistent standards in a simple format. Further information concerning the foundation for these standards is available from Jeff Peppersack.

The standard season from the new map is to be used for a new permit regardless of the season stated on the application unless it can be shown to the satisfaction of the director that a different season of use is necessary. Likewise, the standard season from the new map is to be used for a new license regardless of the season stated on the permit unless it can be shown to the satisfaction of the director that a different season of use is necessary.

For a transfer of a license or decreed water right, the transfer approval should retain the licensed or decreed season. However, when the new standard season is longer than the licensed or decreed season, an approval condition like the following may be added:

The period of use for the irrigation described in this approval may be extended to a beginning date of new standard and an ending date of new standard provided that beneficial use of the water can be shown and other elements of the right are not exceeded. The use of water before licensed or decreed date and after licensed or decreed date is subordinate to all water rights having no subordinated early or late irrigation use and a priority date earlier than the date of this approval.

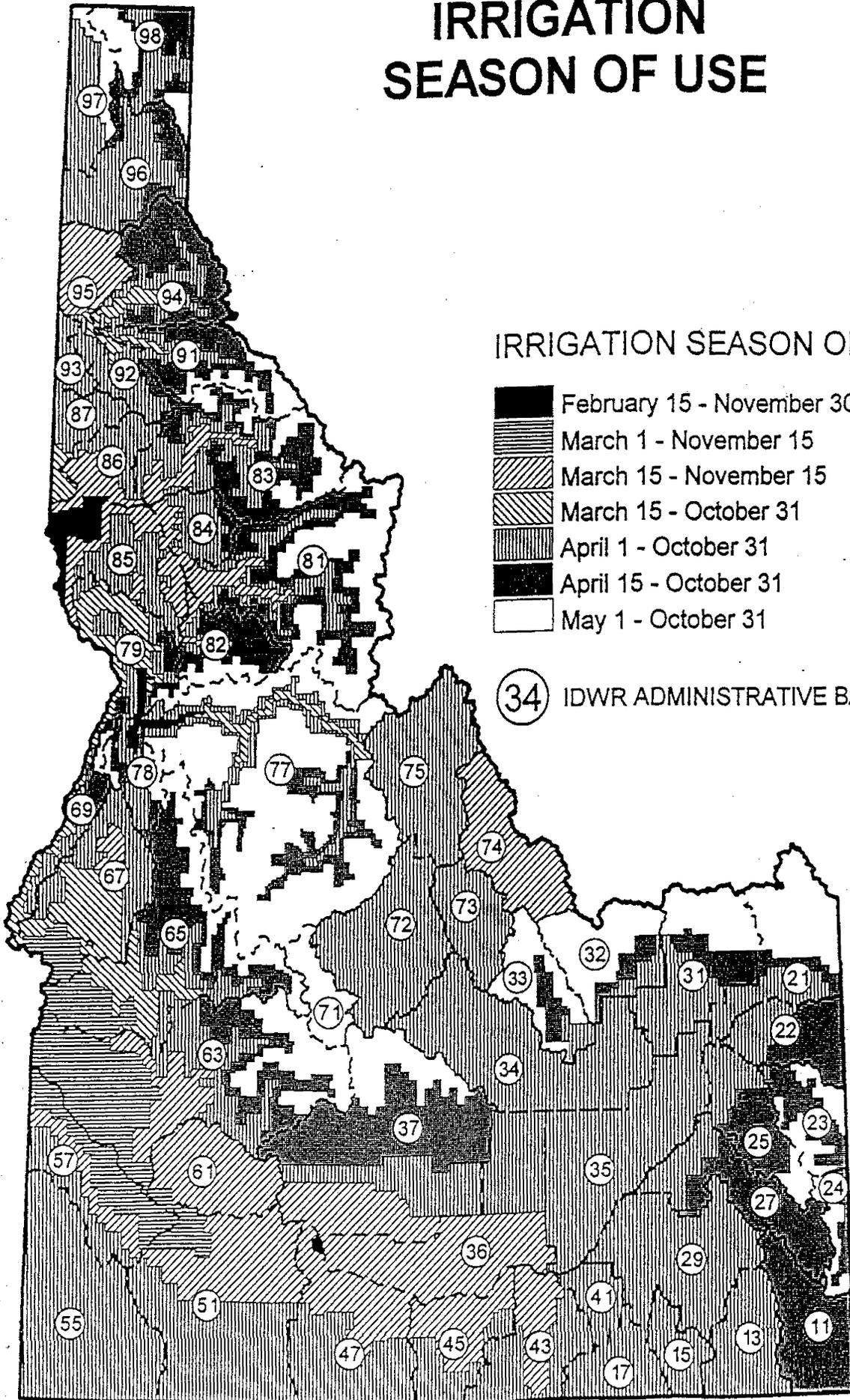
The standard season from the new map is to be used for recommendations in the SRBA as described in the Claim Investigation Handbook.

IRRIGATION SEASON OF USE

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-  February 15 - November 30
-  March 1 - November 15
-  March 15 - November 15
-  March 15 - October 31
-  April 1 - October 31
-  April 15 - October 31
-  May 1 - October 31

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CONSUMPTIVE IRRIGATION REQUIREMENT, FIELD HEADGATE REQUIREMENT

