



Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (ESPA) Advisory Committee Nominations

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Dear ESPA Stakeholder,

The Idaho Water Resource Board (IWRB) is developing a Comprehensive Aquifer Management Plan for the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (ESPA) and is seeking nominations for qualified individuals to serve on an Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee will work closely with the IWRB to develop consensus recommendations regarding the Comprehensive Aquifer Management Plan components. The goal of the CAMP is to “[s]ustain the economic viability and social and environmental health of the Eastern Snake Plain by adaptively managing a balance between water user and supplies.”

The Advisory Committee is charged with addressing the elements outlined in the ESPA Framework document (2007), and making consensus recommendations to the Board, regarding establishment of interim quantitative goals for changes in the ESPA water budget, management alternatives designed to effect changes in the ESPA water budget, funding sources and mechanisms, and adaptive management strategies.

The Board is seeking nominations for a 15 member Committee that represents the following general interests, with appropriate geographical representation.

- Municipalities/Counties (2 representatives)
- Business (Processors, equipment providers, dairies, bankers, etc.) (2 representatives)
- Land developers (1 representative)
- Surface water users (3 representatives)
- Groundwater users (3 representatives)
- Spring water users (1 representative)
- Hydropower (1 representative)
- Domestic well owners (1 representative)

A Chairperson for the Committee will also be selected by the Board.

Each member of the Advisory Committee is expected to: a) regularly attend and prepare for committee meetings (approximately 1 meeting per month, beginning this Spring); b) clearly articulate and represent the interests of his/her group and engage in interest based discussions rather than positional bargaining; c) listen to other points of view and try to understand the interests of others; and d) keep his/her constituent group(s) informed about activities and progress of the Advisory Committee.

Please identify interested individuals that can meet the expectations outlined above and the interest group(s) for which you are nominating them by **Wednesday, March 14, 2007**. After collecting nominations, the Board will select Advisory Committee representatives and their alternates. In addition, the Board will fill any perceived gaps in Committee representation by

identifying additional individuals to serve, even if those individuals were not nominated. **Please send all nominations to adminassist@mediate.org, or fax to 303-442-7442, attention Jonathan Bartsch.**

Thank you in advance for your contribution to this important process.

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