

Idaho Water Adjudications – Monthly Informational Meeting

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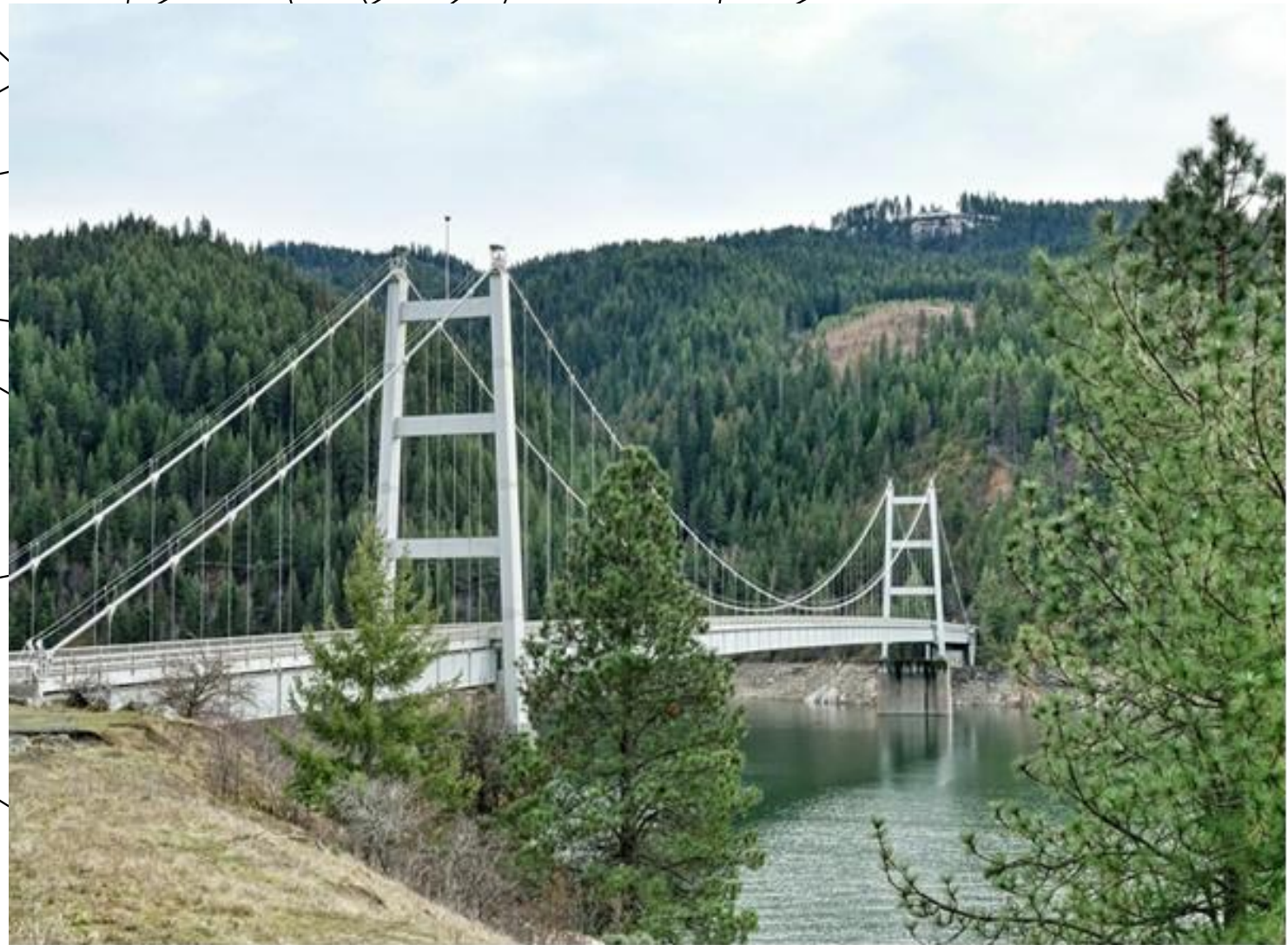
*Pine Creek near Pinehurst, ID
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DISCUSSION ITEMS

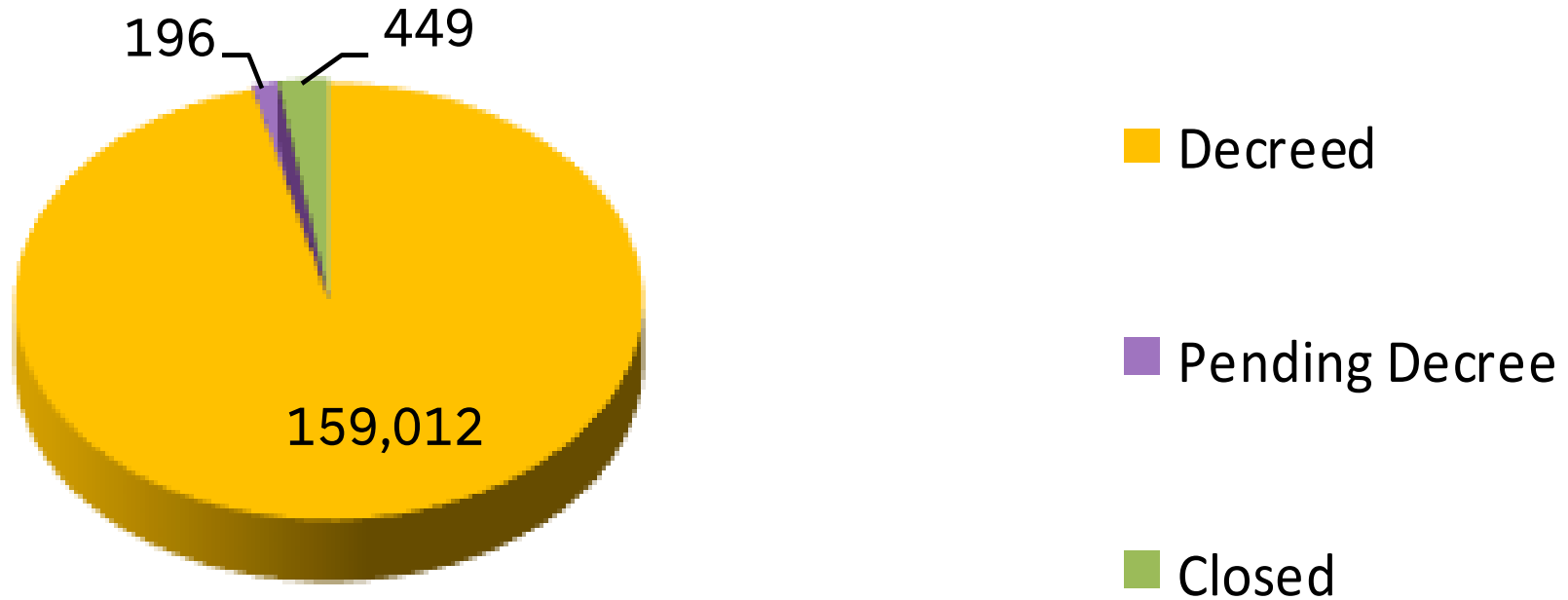
- Snake River Basin Adjudication
- Coeur d'Alene – Spokane River Basin Adjudication
- Palouse River Basin Adjudication
- Clark Fork – Pend Oreille River Basins Adjudication
- Bear River Basin Adjudication
- Kootenai River Basin Adjudication
- Other General Matters

SRBA



Dent Bridge Over Dworshak Reservoir, Orofino, ID
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SRBA SUMMARY AS OF JULY 7, 2026



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MOTION FOR DETERMINATION OF DE MINIMIS D&S RIGHT FILED BUT AWAITING AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	Motion Filed	Next Step
1	Casa Del Norte – 5**	63-35008	7/18/2025	Waiting on Claimant to file Affidavit
2	Richins	43-13946, 43-13947	4/27/2028	Waiting on Claimant to file Affidavit

WAITING FOR IDWR TO SUBMIT NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	Affidavit Filed	Next Step
1	Tracy	63-35797	5/18/2026	IDWR to submit Notice of Examination
1	Kinney	65-24445	06/26/2026	IDWR to submit Notice of Examination

AWAITING DIRECTOR'S REPORT BY IDWR

Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	Director's Report Due	Next Step
26	Casa Del Norte, LP - 6	37-23475, et al.	09/07/2026	IDWR to submit DR
1	Albano	29-14557	12/15/2026	IDWR to submit DR
1	Johnson	86-12185	12/15/2026	IDWR to submit DR
1	Bieker	86-12178	12/21/2026	IDWR to submit DR
1	Lyke	63-35673	01/12/2027	IDWR to submit DR
1	Fischer	84-12331	02/1/2027	IDWR to submit DR
3	Conner	57-12120, 57-12132 , 57-12133	04/27/2027	IDWR to submit DR
23	Casa Del Norte, LP – 2	37-23270, et al.; 61-12366, et al.; 63-35004, et al.	05/04/2027	IDWR to submit DR
5	Casa Del Norte, LP – 3	37-23274, 37-23275, 37-23276, 61-12377, 61-12406	05/04/2027	IDWR to submit DR
22	Casa Del Norte, LP – 4	61-12368, et al.	05/04/2027	IDWR to submit DR

DIRECTOR'S REPORT ISSUED

Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	DR Filed	Hearing on Uncontested
1	Normandie, LLC	65-24308	11/24/2025	Objection deadline 01/23/2026 Response deadline 03/24/2026
5	Casa Del Norte - 1	37-23474, 61-12361, 61-12362, 61-12363, 61-12440	03/03/2026	Objection deadline 05/4/2026 Response deadline 07/16/2026
1	Animals Trust	63-35660	03/12/2026	Objection deadline 05/12/2026 Response deadline 07/13/2026 Hearing on Uncontested 09/15/2026
12	T-Bone Ranch	25-14565 thru 25-14576	04/08/2026	Objection deadline 06/09/2026 Response deadline 08/10/2026 Hearing on Uncontested 09/15/2026
1	Blaser	65-24319	06/22/2026	Objection deadline 08/17/2026 Response deadline 10/16/2026 Hearing on Uncontested 11/17/2026

DIRECTOR'S REPORT ISSUED WITH OUTSTANDING OBJECTIONS

Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	DR Filed	Objection Filed
47	Pioneer Power LLC	55-14030 et al.	1/14/2022	3/14/2022
1	Gallant	67-15208	6/8/2022	8/8/2022
2	Chandler (fka Gallant)	67-15209, 67-15210	6/8/2022	8/8/2022; Motion to File Late Objection filed 04/27/2026
2	Chandler (fka Gallant)	67-15211, 67-15212	6/8/2022	5/24/2019*; Motion to File Late Objection filed 04/27/2026
14	Williams	29-14388 thru 29-14397, 61-12467 thru 61-12470	5/22/2023	7/25/2023*
1	Normandie LLC	65-24159	11/24/2025	1/20/2026

SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	DR Filed	Hearing on Uncontested
1	Chandler (Gallant)	67-15209	6/8/2022	Disallowance - issued 7/7/2026
1	Chandler (Gallant)	67-15210	6/8/2022	Disallowance - issued 6/10/2026
2	Chandler (Gallant)	67-15211, 67-15212	6/8/2022	Disallowance - issued 6/10/2026

*Objection to the claim filed before Director's Report

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS WITH EXECUTED SF5S

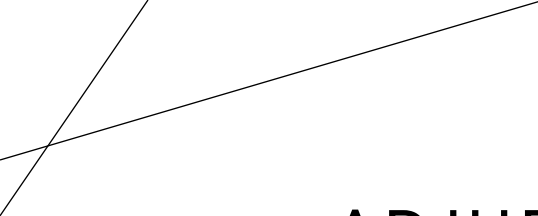
Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	DR Filed	SF5 Filed Date	SMRR Filed Date

PARTIAL DECREE ISSUED

Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	Partially Decreed

DISMISSED

Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	Date Dismissed



SUBCASE 00-92095

ADJUDICATION OF DEFERRED DE MINIMIS DOMESTIC AND STOCKWATER CLAIMS

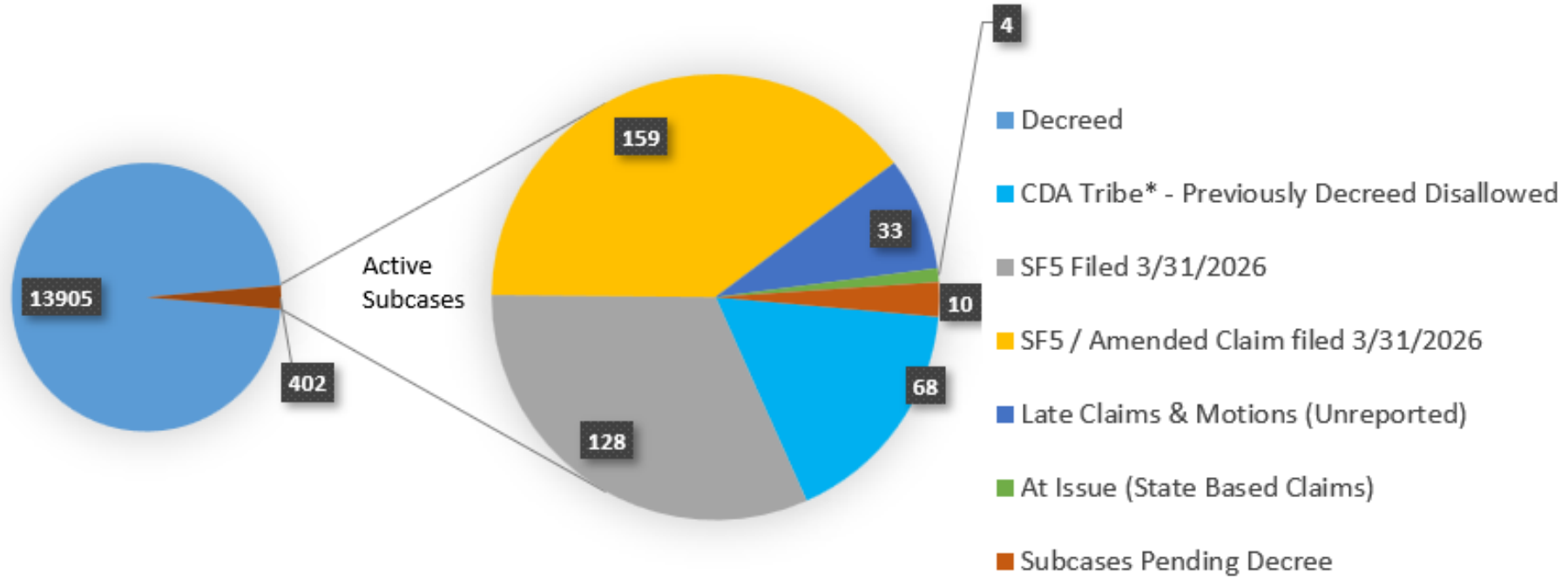
- Pursuant to Judge Wildman's January 22, 2024 Stay Order, this subcase is stayed pending resolution of *U.S. v. Idaho* in the Federal Courts.

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*Rockford Bay, Lake Coeur d'Alene
Photo Credit: Suzy Cooley, OAG*

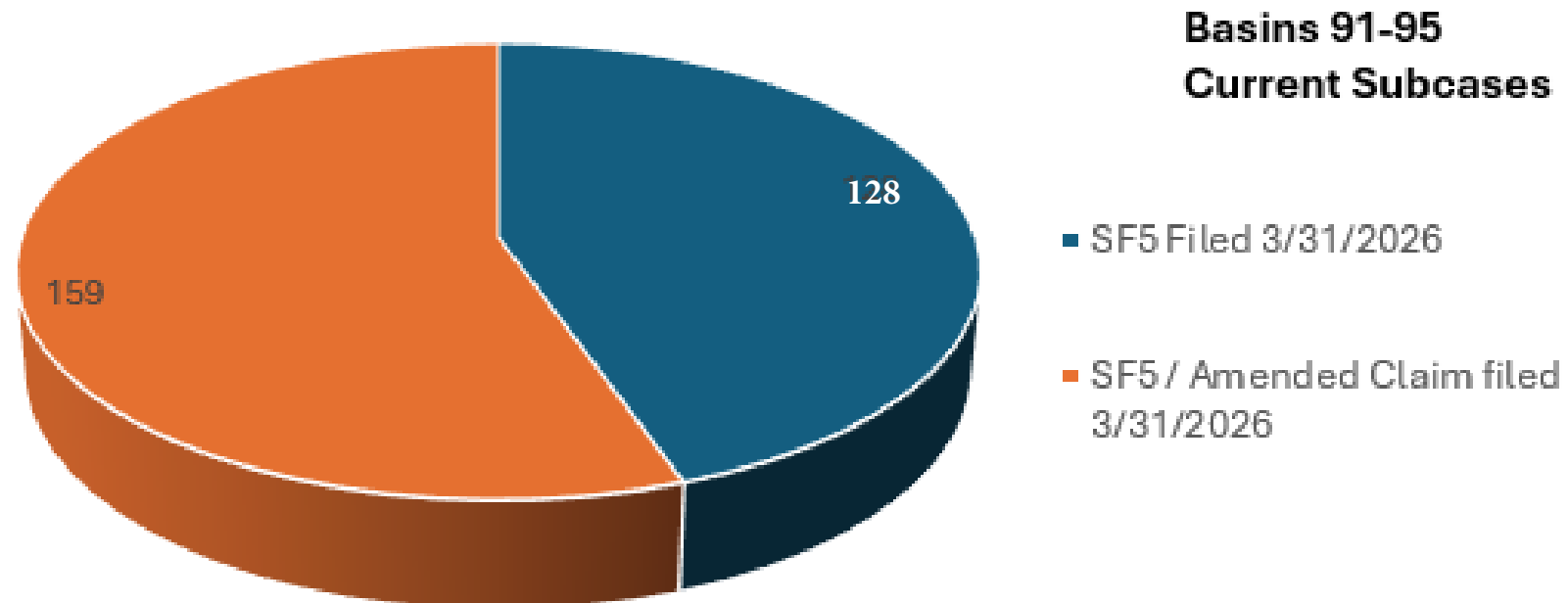
CSRBA Summary All Subcases



**United States of America as trustee on behalf of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe of the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation*

As of 7/1/2026

CSRBA FEDERAL RESERVED CLAIMS



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BASIN 95 PART 1

SUBCASES FOR WHICH OBJECTIONS ARE UNRESOLVED



State-based claims in Coeur d'Alene Lake

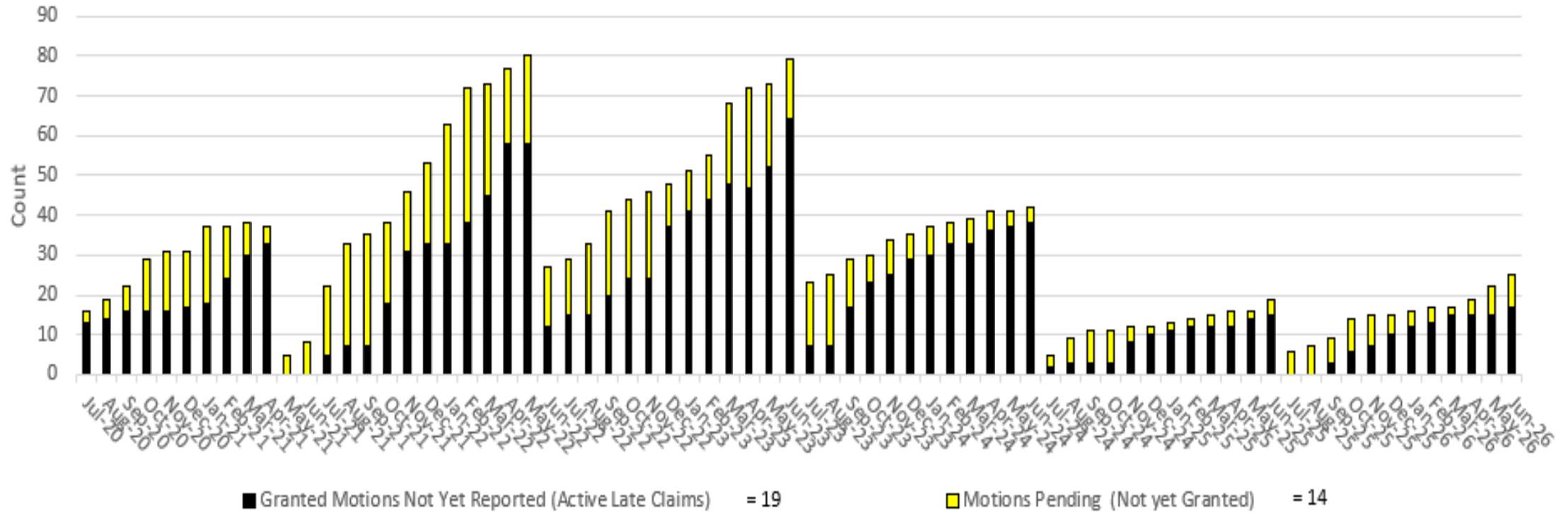
- SMRRs issued June 25, 2026. Decrees anticipated to issue with the larger Federal Package (91-7755 et al).

“Belt cows” near Coeur d’Alene, ID
Photo Credit: Scott Potter, Northern Region

ACTIVE LATE CLAIM SUBCASES

Count	Claimant	Subcase #(s)	DR Filed	Status
1	"Chilco Lake Users" – lead claimant name: Curtis Carney	95-18274	06/15/23	NCAP filed 06/29/26; SF5 currently being drafted

CSRBA Late & Misc Claims



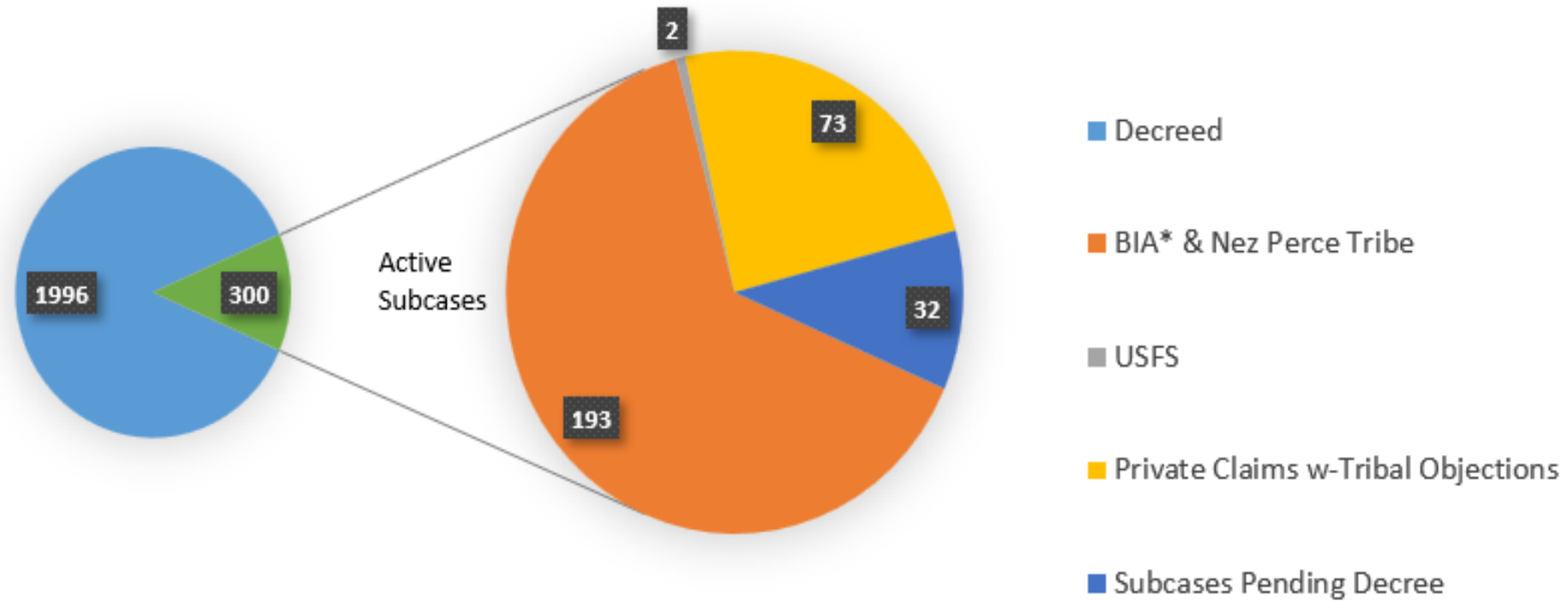
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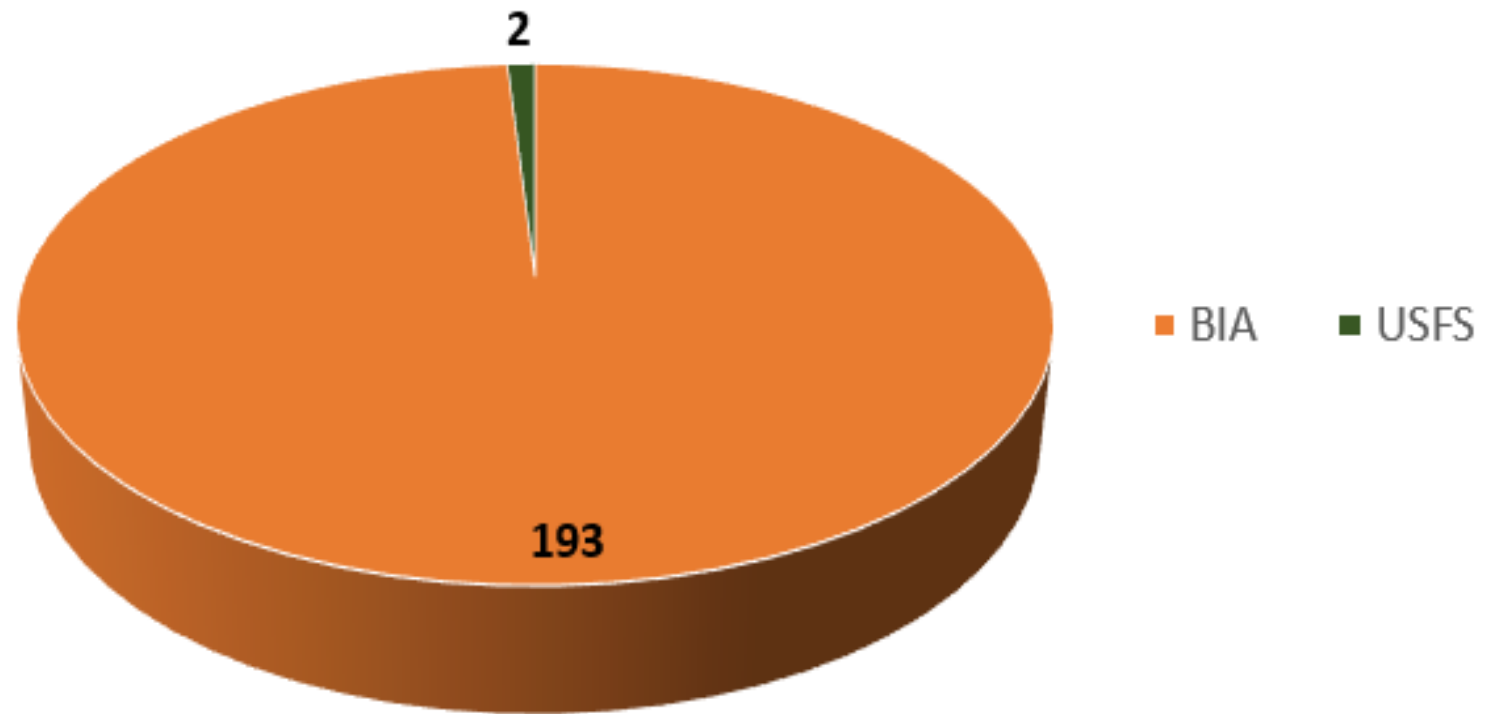
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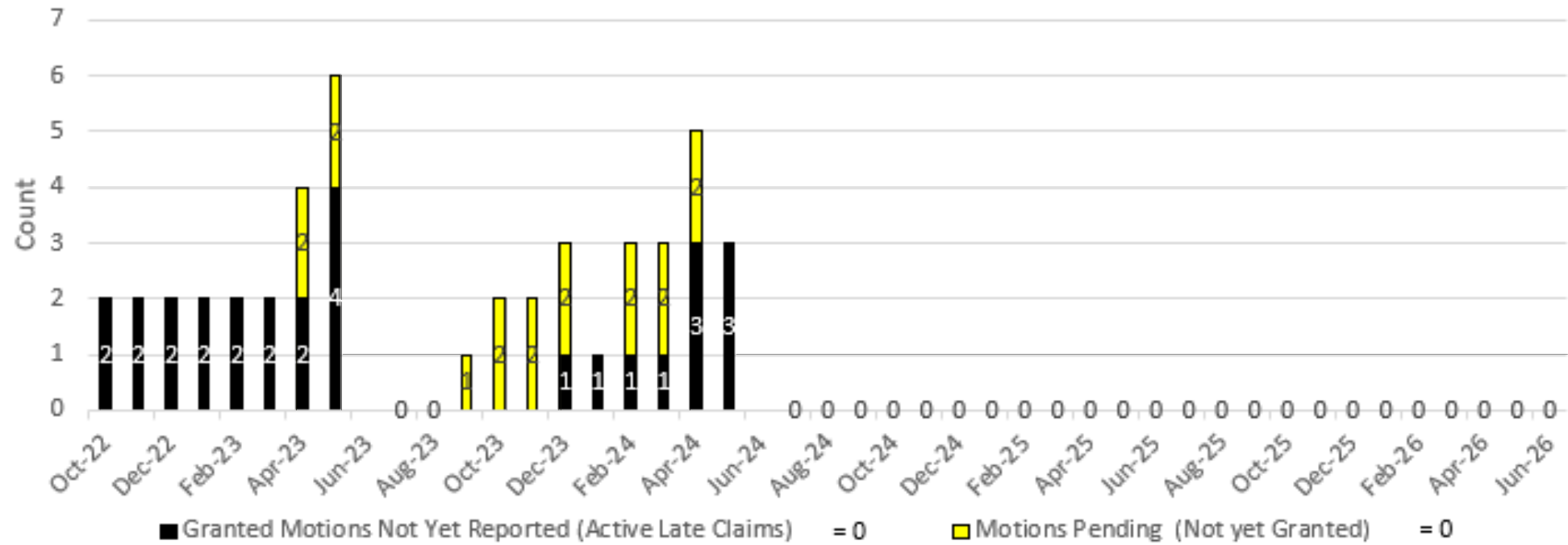
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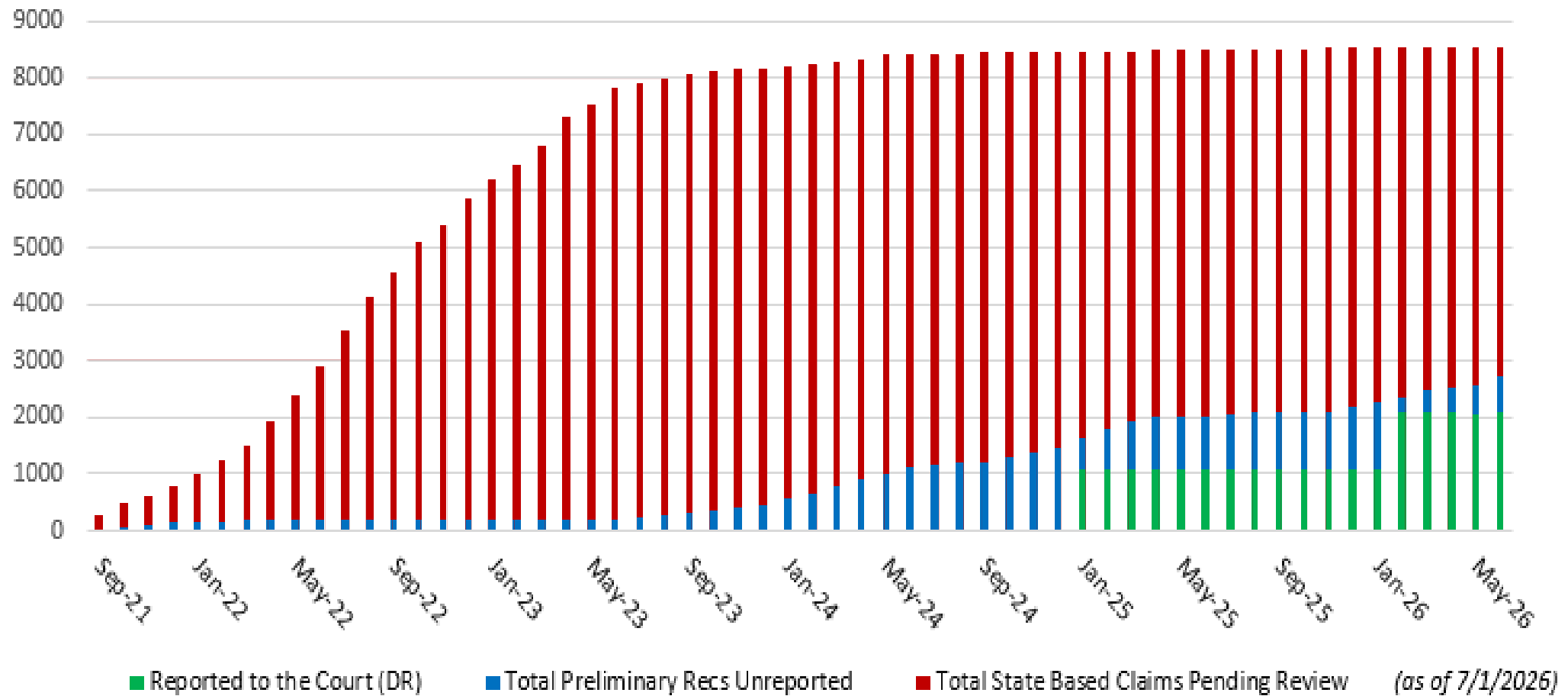
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Clark Fork River Bridge

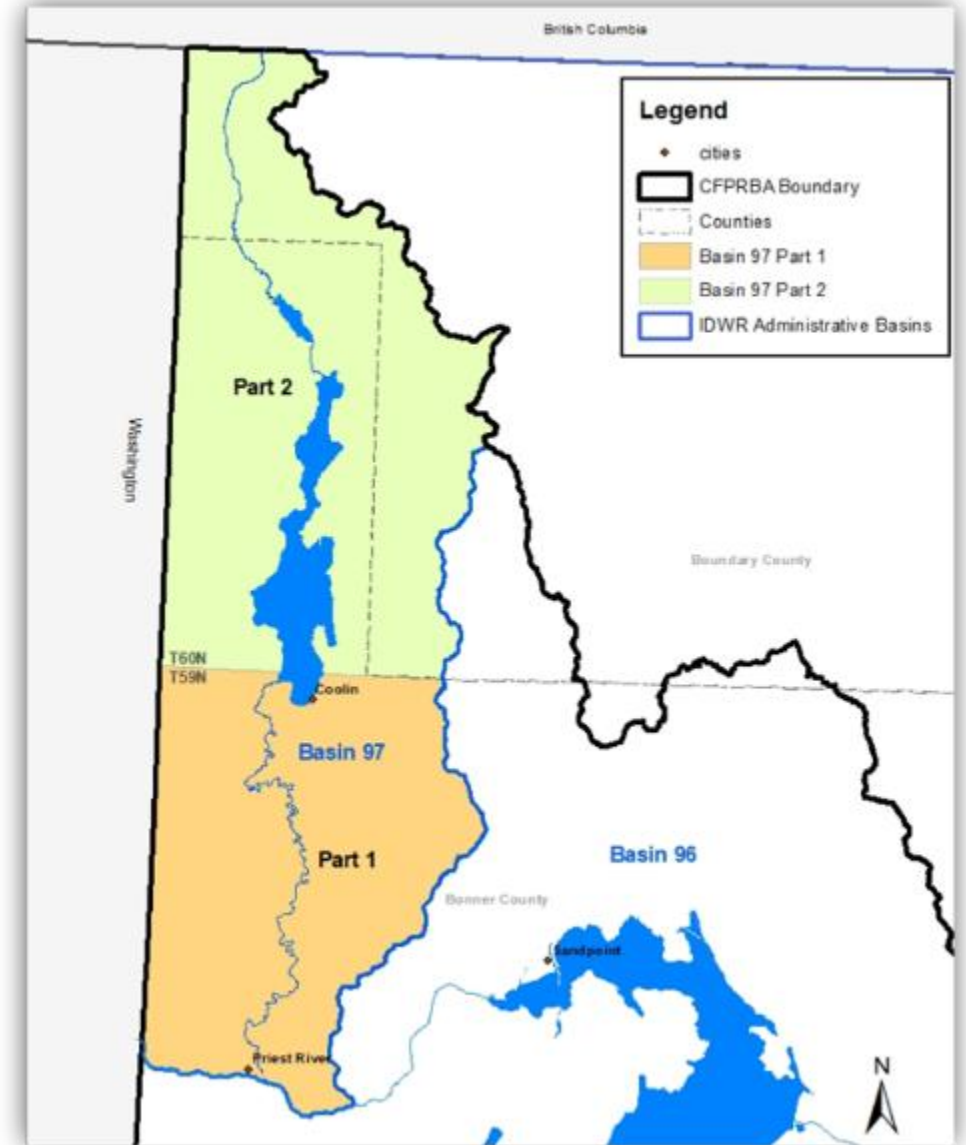
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Clark Fork-Pend Oreille River Basin Adjudication (CFPRBA) Status Update



BASIN 97, PART 1

- The Director's Report for Basin 97 Part 1 was mailed on December 17, 2024.
 - Deadline for objections was May 12, 2025
 - Deadline for responses was July 28, 2025
 - Hearing on Uncontested Motions was June 16, 2026
- There were 1,087 reported claims in the Part 1 Director's Report.
- All initial hearings have been held.



BASIN 97, PART 2

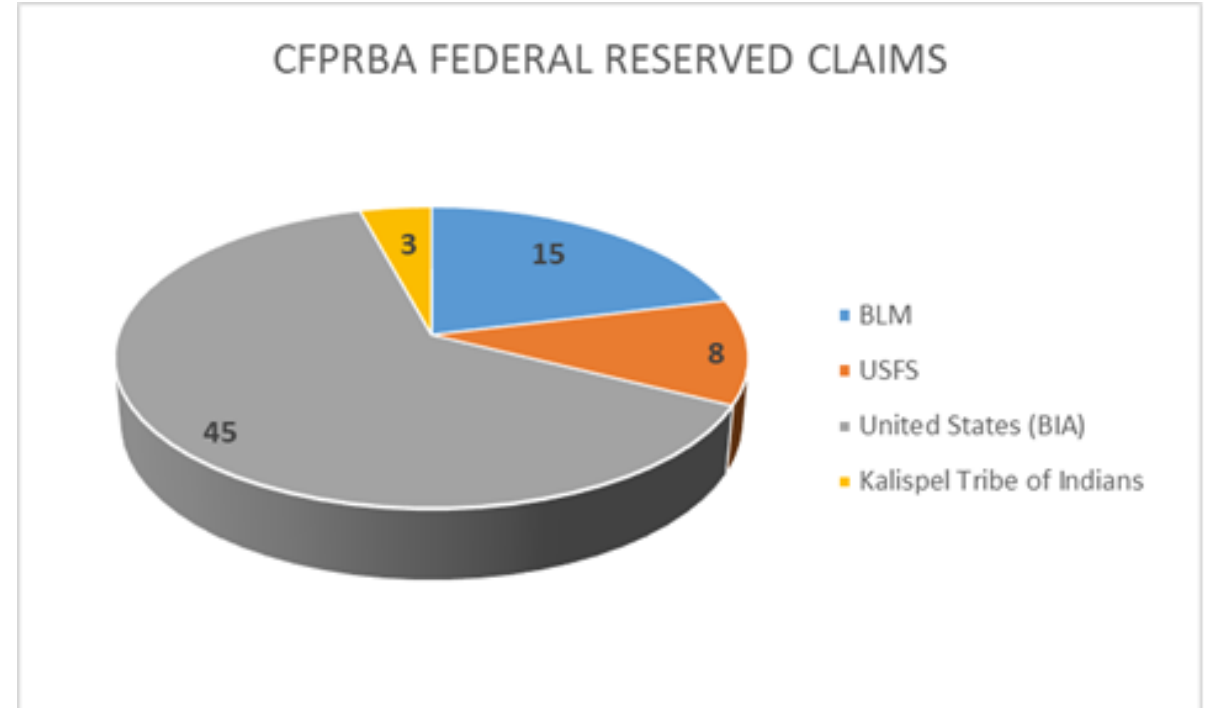
- The Director's Report State-based claims for Basin 97, Part 2 was mailed on January 16, 2026 (995 recommendations).
 - Deadline for objections was May 22, 2026.
 - Response deadline is **July 21, 2026**.
 - Hearing on Uncontested Claims is scheduled for **December 15, 2026**.
- There are 995 reported claims in the Part 2 Director's Report.



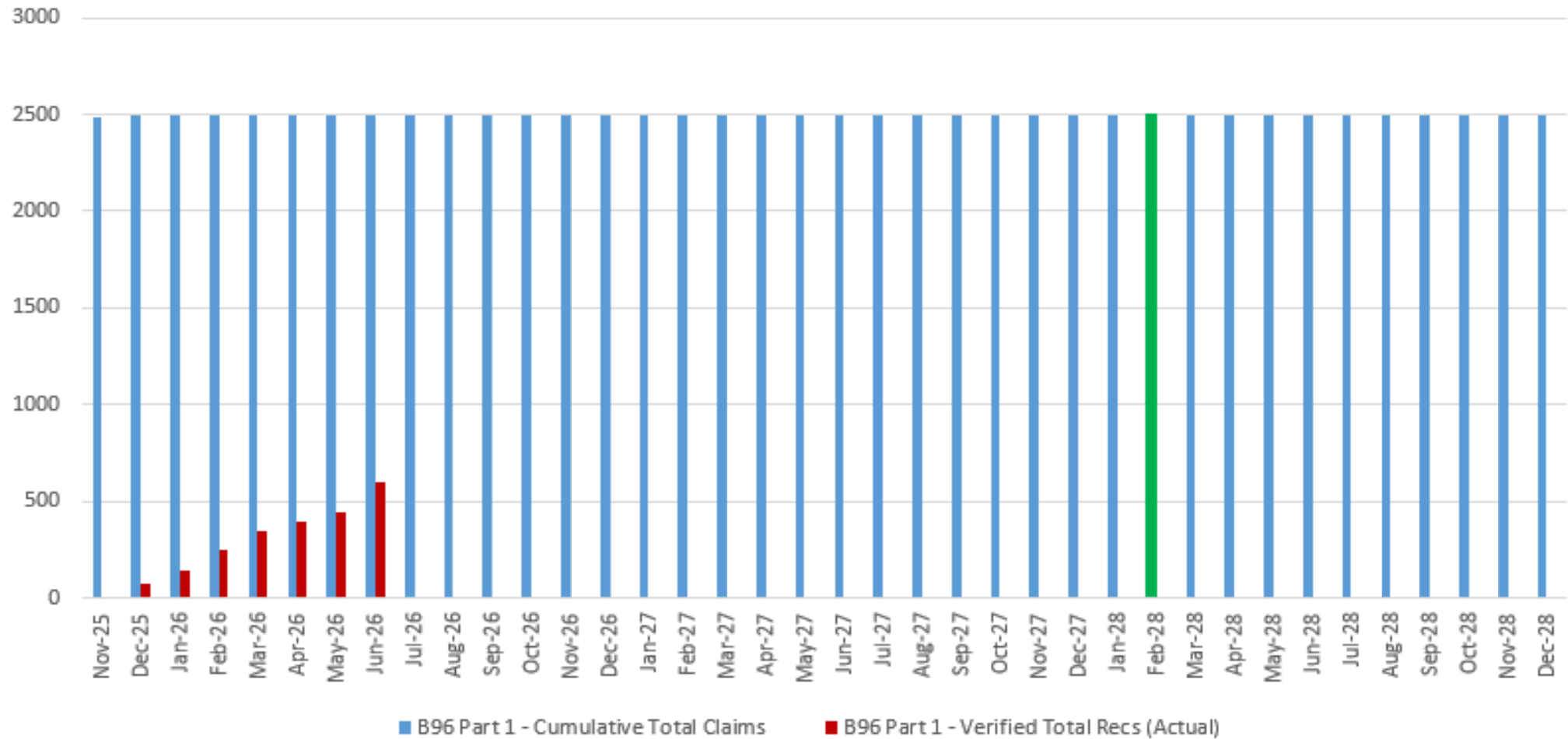
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DIRECTOR'S REPORT OF CFPRBA FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHT CLAIMS

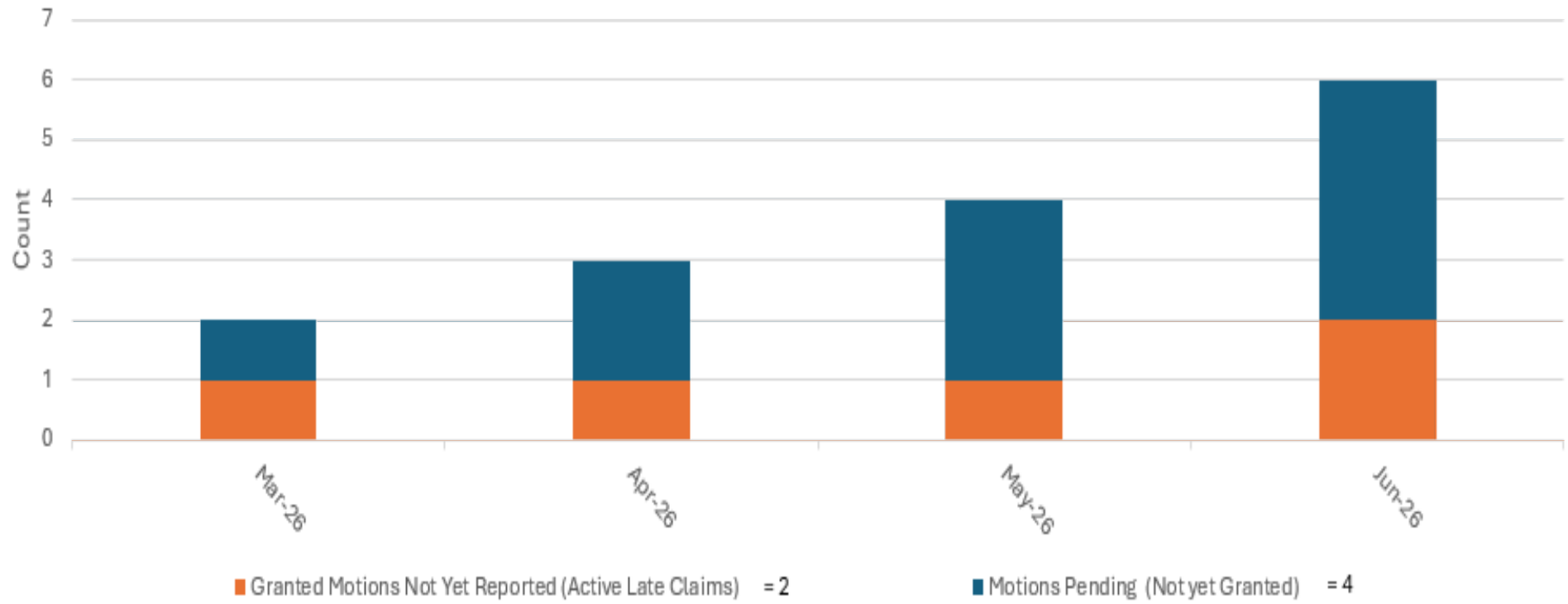
- The Director's Report of Federal Reserved Water Rights Claims was mailed on March 31, 2026.
 - Deadline for objections was June 25, 2026.
 - Response deadline is **August 24, 2026**.
- There are 72 federal claims reported in the Federal Director's Report.



CFPRBA B96 Part 1



CFPRBA Late & Misc Claims



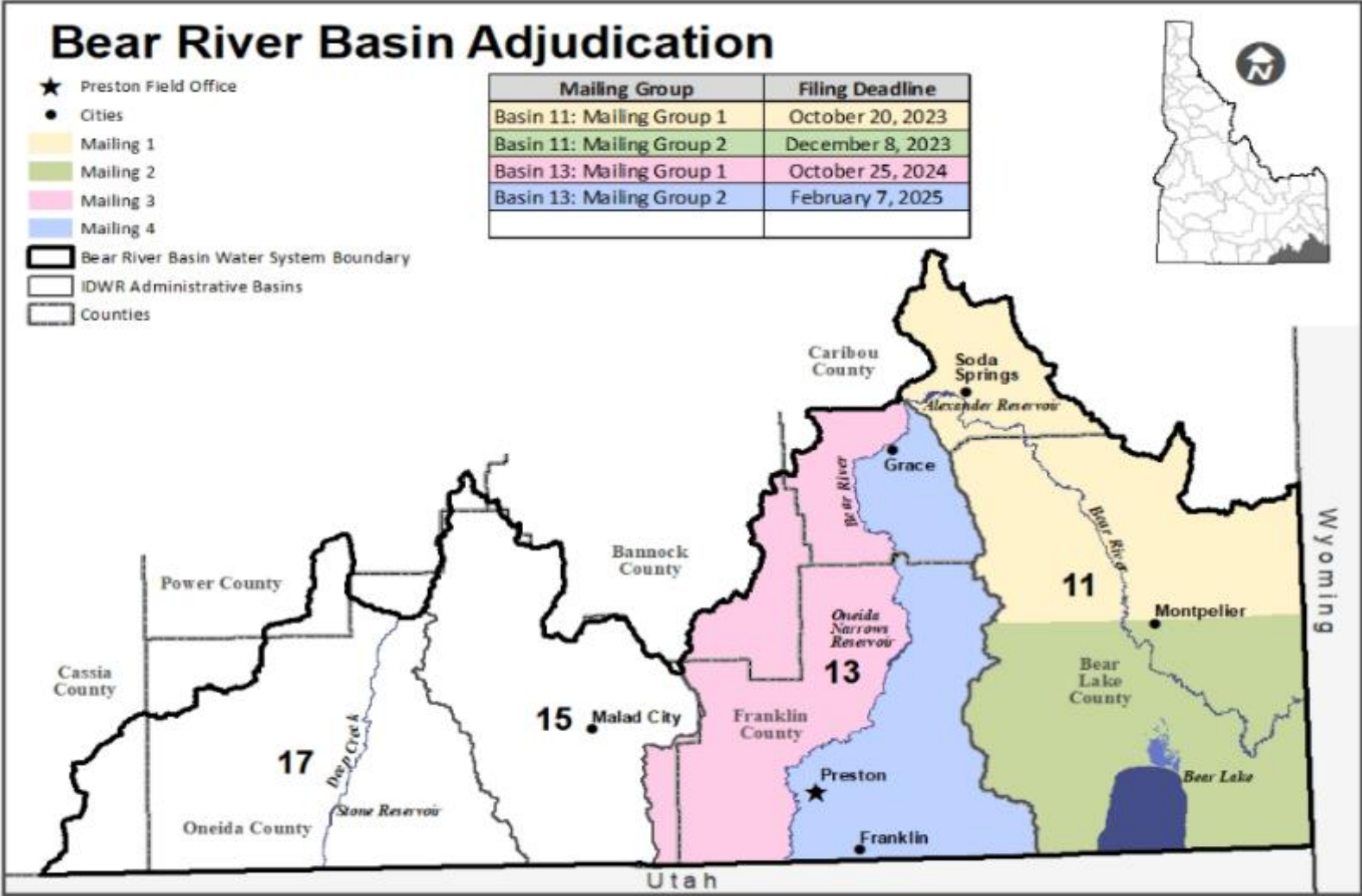
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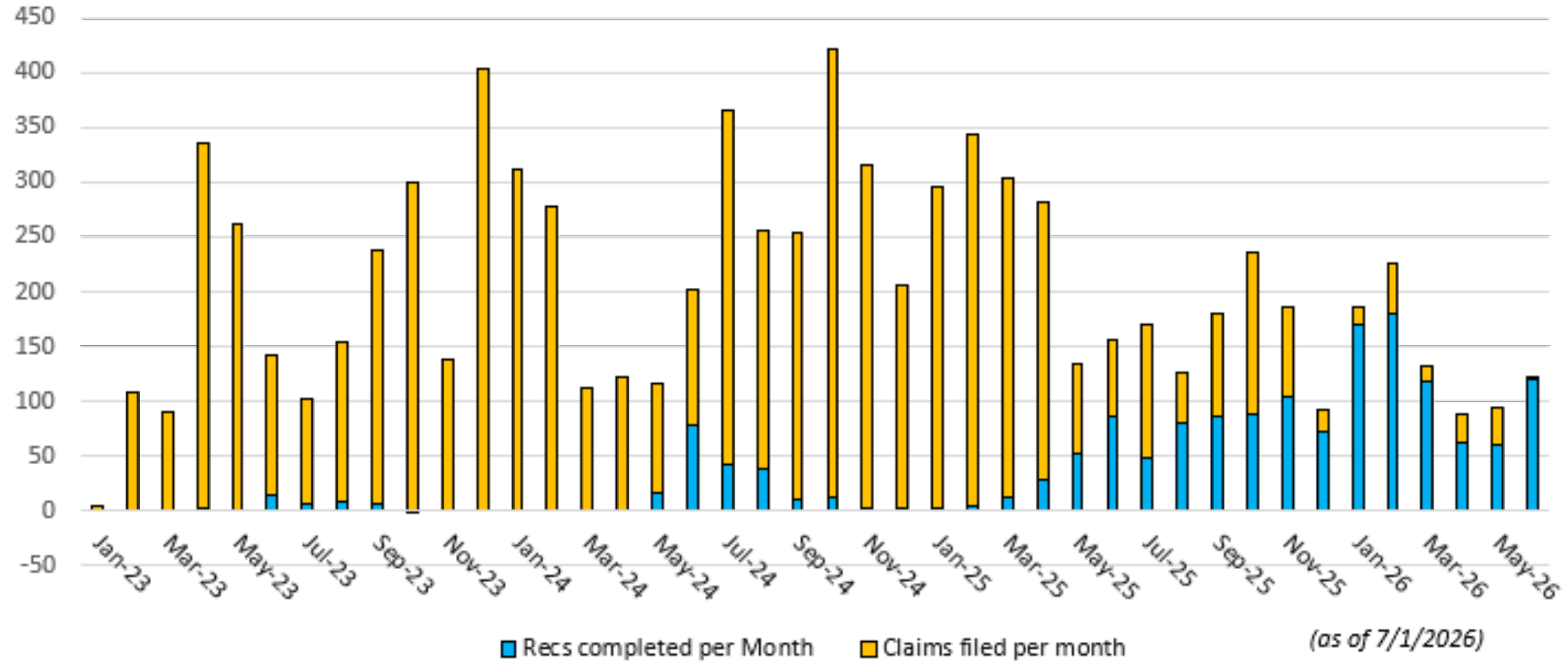
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Basin 11, Part 1 Beneficial Use Exams near Liberty, ID
Photo Credit: Preston Field Office

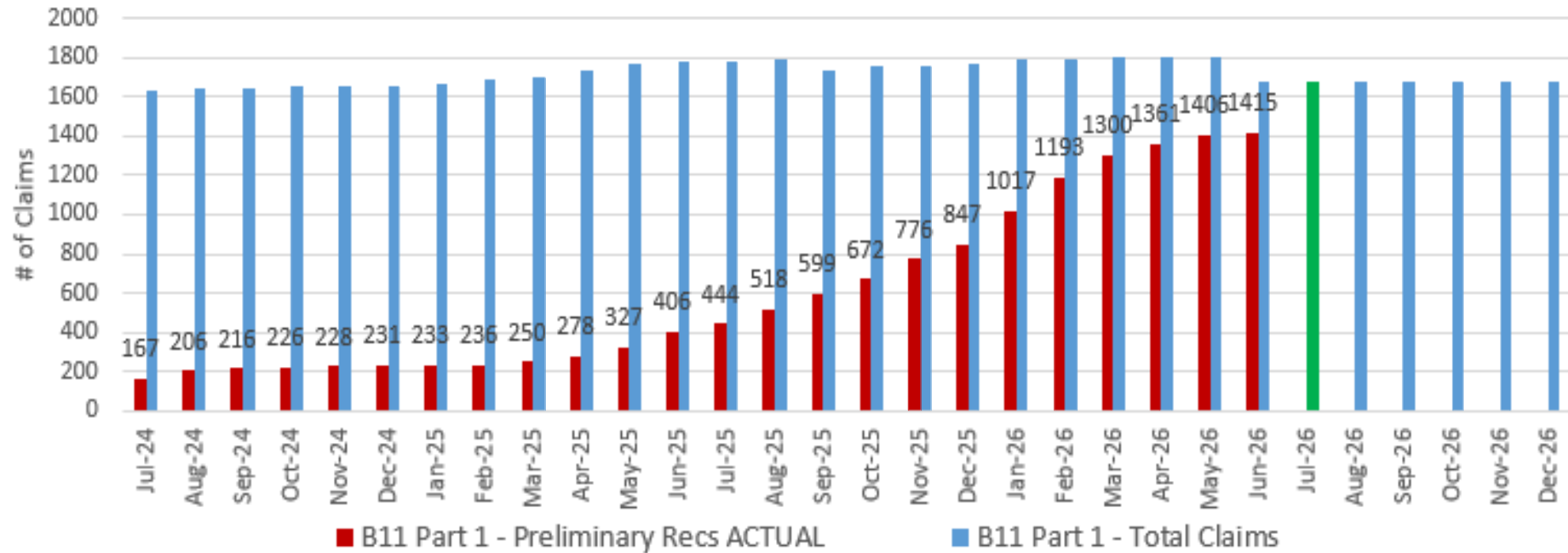
COMMENCEMENT NOTICE MAILINGS



Bear River Basin Adjudication (BRBA) Monthly Claims



BRBA - Basin 11 Part 1 Verified Recommendations



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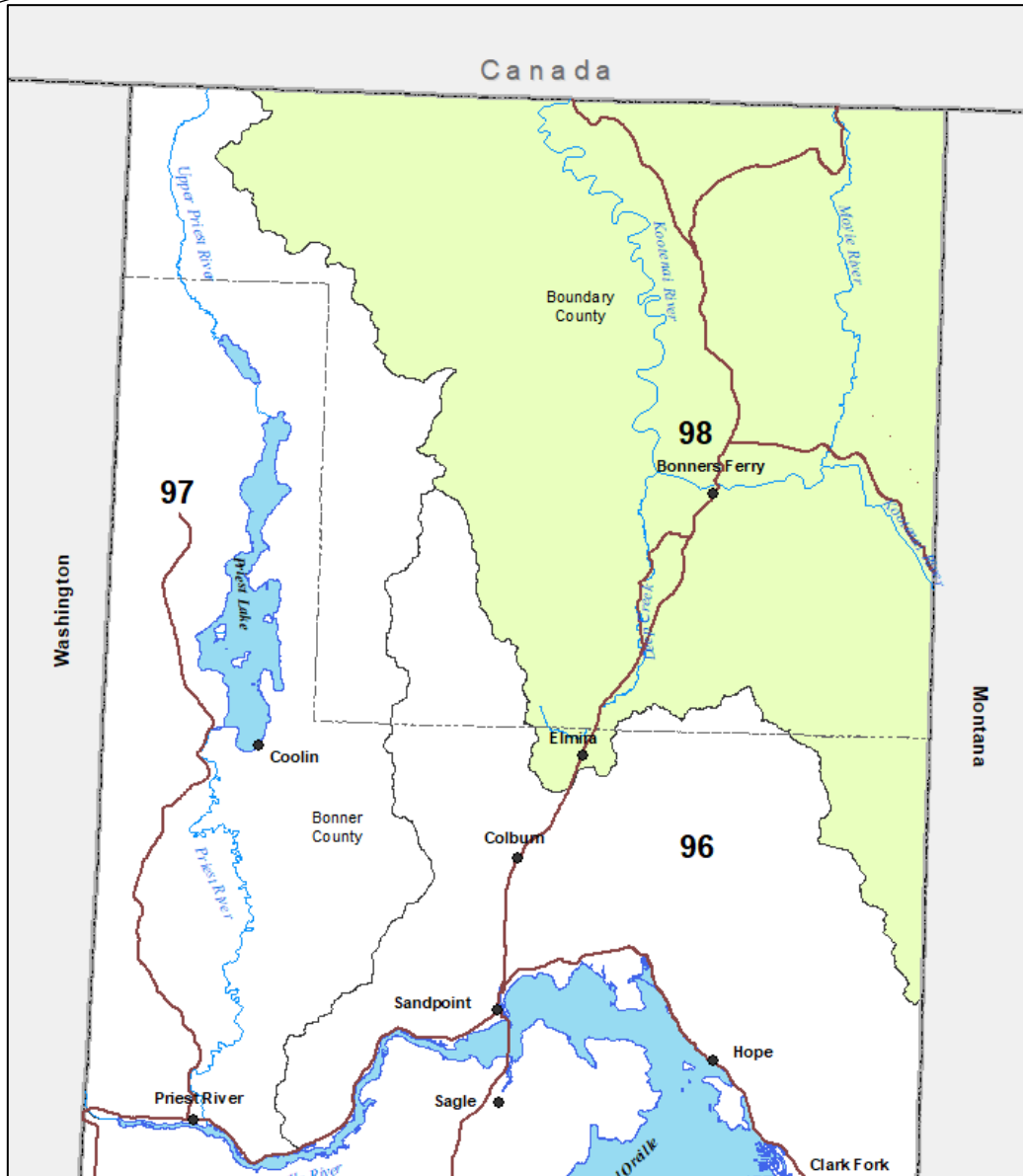


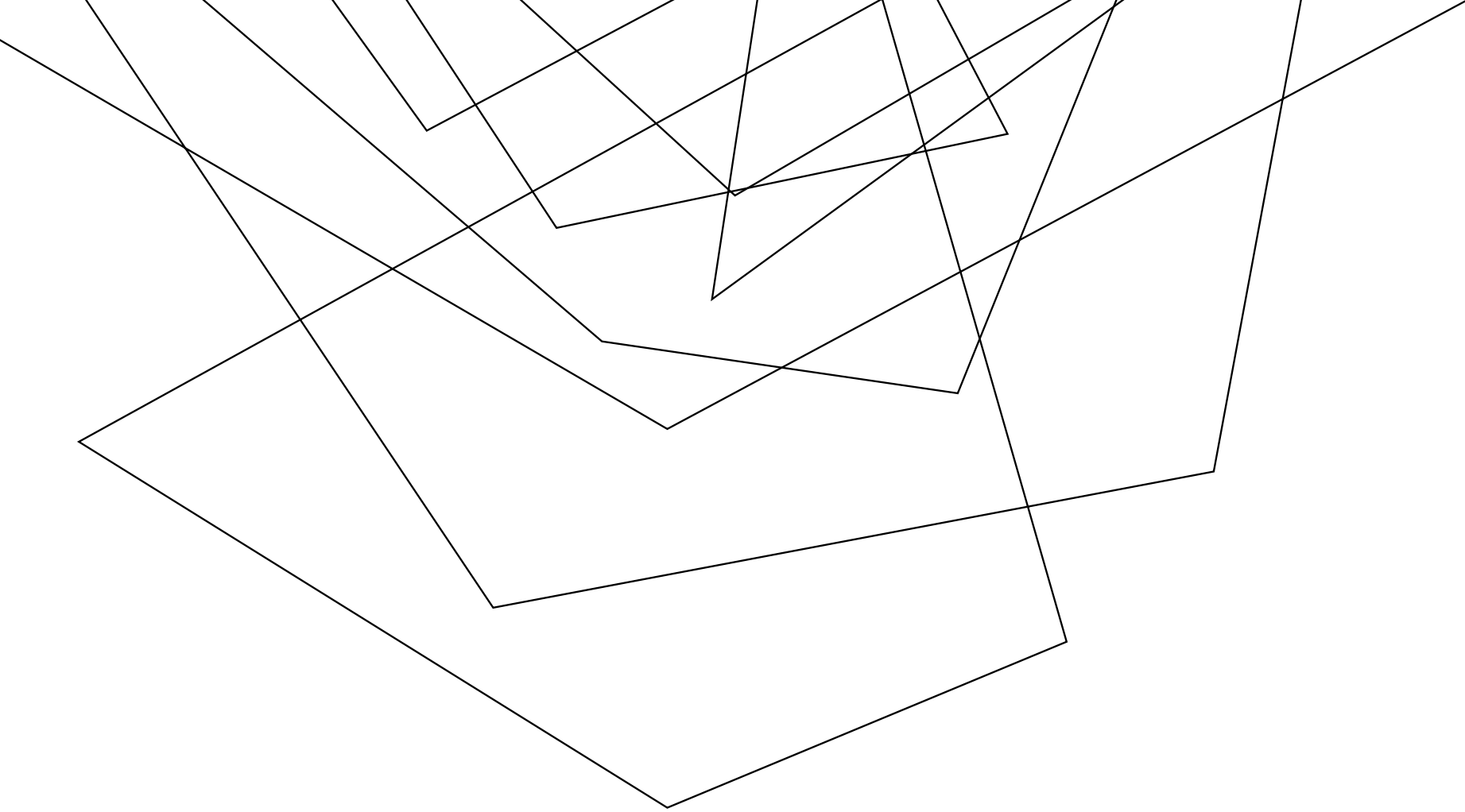
Bonnors Ferry, ID

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BASIN 98 UPDATES

- Claims Taking Workshops are being scheduled for September 22-24, 2026, at the Boundary County Fairgrounds in Bonners Ferry, ID. More to come!





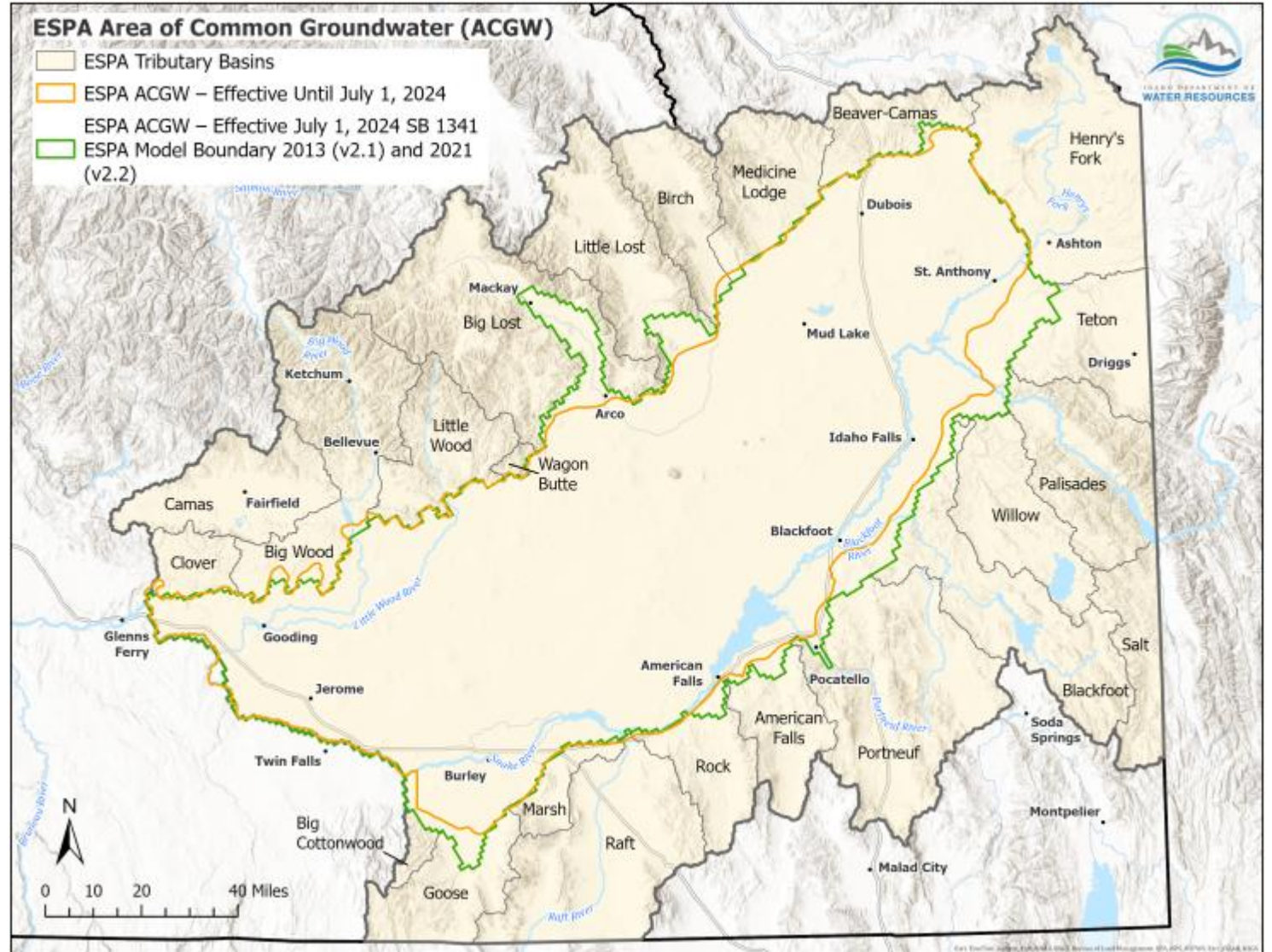
OTHER GENERAL
MATTERS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA V. STATE OF IDAHO ET AL., US COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

- The United States challenged the constitutionality of several statutes enacted by the Idaho Legislature following the Idaho Supreme Court's decision in *Joyce Livestock Co. v. US*, 156 P.3d 508 (2007).
- *Memorandum Decision and Order* issued by Chief U.S. District Court Judge, David Nye, on August 28, 2024.
 - The Court concluded §§ 42-222 and 42-224 are constitutional as applied to the US and rejected the US' requests for permanent injunctions under those statutes.
 - The Court granted summary judgment to the US on the following statutes: §§ 42-113(2)(b), 42-502, and 42-504. The Court concluded that the US is entitled to a declaratory judgment that these three statutes violate the Supremacy Clause of the US Constitution. The Court also granted permanent injunction with respect to these three statutes.
- The US District Court issued the Amended Judgment on December 16, 2024 in response to Rule 60(a) Motion.
- Briefing by the parties has been completed.
- Oral argument was held on April 14, 2026. Awaiting decision.

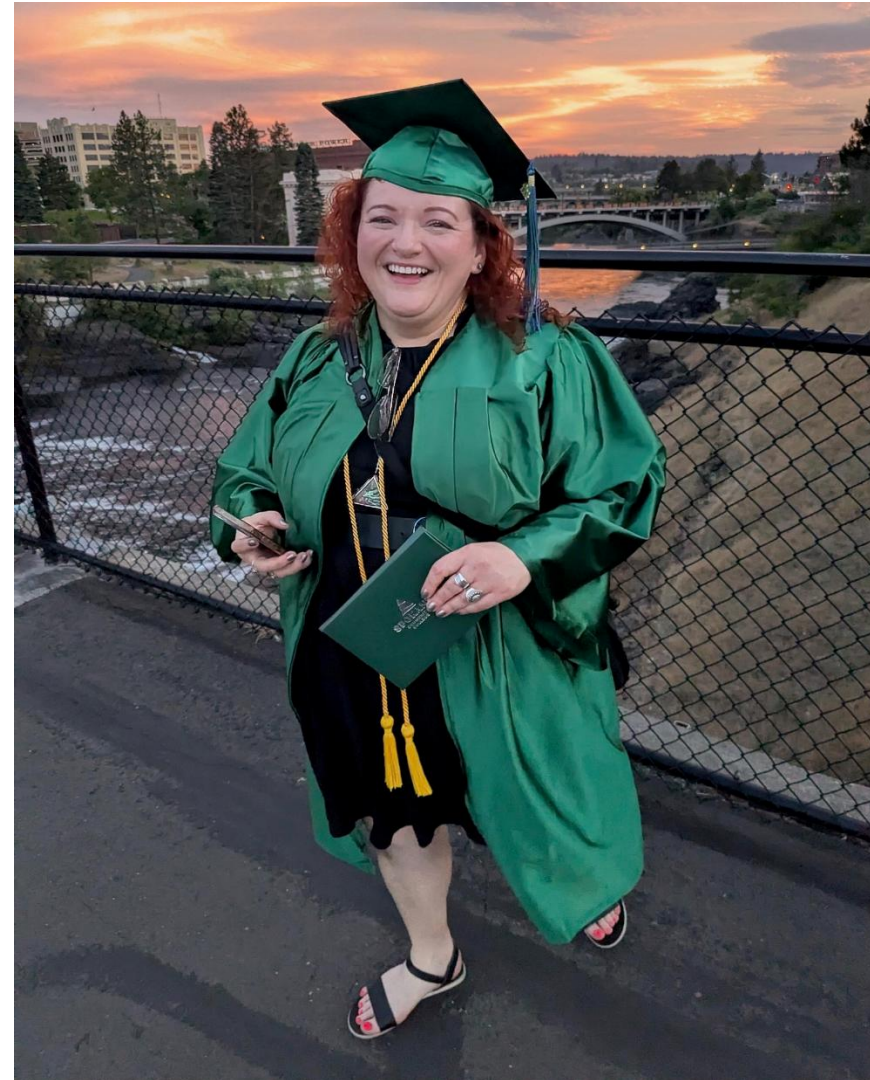
ITEMS OF INTEREST

- The Director issued the *Final Order Curtailing Ground Water Rights Junior to October 11, 1900* on May 14, 2026.
- Most water users identified in the Curtailment Order came under protections stemming from their participation in approved mitigation plans.
- This curtailment order impacts new areas of water users, as the Idaho Legislature expanded the Area of Common Ground Water Supply (ACGWS) in the 2024 Legislative Session.
 - Idaho Code § 42-233c
 - See green line on map →





Congratulations to Rachel Winder from the Northern Region who graduated with an Associates Degree in Applied Science - Water Science from Spokane Community College!! We're proud of your accomplishment!



QUESTIONS?



*Near Potlatch, ID
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