## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED CREATION OF THE TETON CREEK FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT NEAR DRIGGS, IDAHO

NOTICE IS HEREBY provided that Michelle Mahoney Allen and others have filed a petition with the Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources ("Director") asking that a flood control district be organized along Teton Creek from the Idaho-Wyoming state line to downstream of Idaho Highway 33 as shown in the map herein. The proposed flood control district will include all parcels wholly or partly within the approximate location of the 1% annual chance flood hazard zone as shown on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) of Teton Creek and all parcels in subdivisions or other community developments owning portions of Teton Creek as common area.

Petitioners seek to establish the Teton Creek Flood Control District (TCFCD) to provide funding for stream stabilization, restoration and maintenance projects to protect human lives, homes, lands, roads, bridges, irrigation structures and other private and public investments from floods or high water events on Teton Creek as well as restore and maintain the natural flood carrying, distribution, and dissipation capacity of Teton Creek. Future projects identified by the petitioners include conducting a geomorphic assessment of Teton Creek and stream bank and streambed stabilization projects within the TCFCD boundary in the Cemetery Rd. - Creekside Meadows subdivision area and the Stateline Rd.-Willows subdivision area; and stabilization of the Stateline and Creekside Meadows bridges.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,** pursuant to Section 42-3107, Idaho Code, that the Director will conduct a public hearing regarding the organization of TCFCD as follows:

## <u>PUBLIC HEARING – Organization of Teton Creek Flood Control District:</u> Tuesday, 2:00 P.M., January 14, 2014 Teton County Courthouse, 150 Courthouse Dr., Driggs, Idaho.

James Cefalo, IDWR, will serve as the hearing officer. At the hearing on January14, 2014, the hearing officer shall permit any person(s) or organization(s) interested in the formation of the proposed district, or any of its objects or purposes, to appear and make objections to the organization of the district. The petition and accompanying exhibits provide evidence of support for the formation of the district by the petitioners. The hearing officer shall consider the petition, any objections presented at the hearing, and any other facts necessary for the determination of the practicability and feasibility of the district in issuing a decision to either recommend or not recommend formation of the district. Written comments may be submitted to the hearing officer at the hearing or any time on or before the January 24, 2014. Written comments not presented at the hearing should be sent to the Director, Department of Water Resources, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0098.

The hearing will be conducted in a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Should you require special accommodations in order to attend, participate in, or understand the hearing, please contact the Department of Water Resources at least five (5) days prior to the hearing. Questions concerning this notice may be directed to the Department's state office at (208) 287-4800 or the Department's Idaho Falls office, (208) 525-7161.

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