

December 1, 2022

BWRGWMA Advisory Committee Members,

In response to Tim Luke's November 22, 2022 email to the Committee, Galena Groundwater District (Galena) offers the following:

- 1) Regarding the CIEF Committee, Galena provided support for the acquisition of storage water.
- 2) Water District 37 delivery records are provided on an attached spreadsheet (*see edit below*). There is concern regarding the mechanism of record delivery from the department (WMIS #'s) and the ongoing search for a WIMS / water right / owner/ location data base. The current system is cumbersome and unwieldy, with questionable accuracy.
- 3) Galena maintained ongoing observation of the daily streamflow at Station 10.
- 4) As demonstrated with the attached spreadsheet, there is some use reduction, but it is not pervasive, nor is it demonstrated in the aggregate totals.
- 5) Galena acquired 1,755 acre-feet of storage water from the Enterprize Canal Company in Ririe for delivery to senior water right holders on the Little Wood River. Approximately 1,162 acre-feet were delivered to senior users and about 200 acre-feet were used in conveyance loss. The balance of about 395 acre-feet were resold and the money returned to Galena coffers.

#### Additional Item

Galena identified 18 acres of fallow. This was an add on during discussion, and the 200/500 potential fallow acres response was not viable. The high turnover rate and greatly escalating values for real estate removed fallow as a potential use for Blaine County real estate.

#### Report Edit:

*Groundwater diversion records within Galena were compiled by December 1, 2022 but found to be incomplete. WD37 is completing further data updates. A more comprehensive report will be provided at a later date.*