

**Grand View-Bruneau Ground Water Management Area  
Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes**  
Bruneau Emergency Center  
1:00PM - October 5, 2022

**WELCOME**

Meeting came to order at 1:06pm at the Bruneau Emergency Center – 32531 Belle Avenue, Bruneau, ID.

**INTRODUCTIONS AND ATTENDANCE**

*Committee Attendance:* Roy Mink, Sid Erwin, Kent Frisch, Gene Tindall, Russell Schiermeier\*, Chris Black

*Public Attendees:* Justin Deakin, Mary Mink, Celia Draper

*IDWR:* Erik Boe, Laura McSherry

\*Attended via Zoom

**OLD BUSINESS**

Copies of June 22 meeting minutes were provided and briefly reviewed. There were no questions or comments.

**GBGWMA MANAGEMENT PLAN – UPDATE (ERIK BOE, IDWR)**

Copies of the management plan including recent feedback and minor updates since June and a strategy timeline example were provided. Erik encouraged those with any questions to reach out to him directly. Erik will submit the plan for review to the Director prior to the public meeting planned in mid to late November.

**GRANT APPLICATION – UPDATE (ROY MINK)**

The application was denied based on ineligibility due to lack of watershed identification. The water district entity does not reflect a specific watershed. A request will be made to the Bureau of Reclamation for specific denial justification. Melissa will help with “proper area” language. The next application period for the grant is likely March 2023. Sid considering volunteer committee formation to disassociate from reliance on eligible government entity.

**GROUND WATER DISTRICT (GWD) (SID ERWIN)**

Mike McVay constructed new boundary for GWD, extended west to include Murphy. A legal description of the boundary is needed. Sid is creating a petition to submit to the Owyhee County commission to approve a public meeting after the general election and hold a vote on GWD formation. The GWD entity could apply for repair funds and stabilization of the aquifer.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Roy inquired on the timeframe to fully construct the GWD petition. Sid explained that the drafted petition would be complete after the legal description of the new boundary was created.

**NEXT MEETING**

*Topics for Discussions*

- November GBGWMA Management Plan public meeting and Director review update
- Melissa and/or Leah presenting on grant specifics to accurately modify existing applications
- Annual meeting structure

**ACTION ITEMS**

- Erik will submit GBGWMA Management Plan to the Director for review prior to the public hearing
- Erik will contact Melissa to present at the next annual meeting
- Sid will complete the GWD petition
- Roy will follow up with Melissa on grant application specifics

Next GBGWMA Meeting:

**1:00PM - February 1, 2023, Bruneau Emergency Center**