



IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

MEETING MINUTES 4-15

C.L. "Butch" Otter
Governor

Idaho Water Center
Conference Room 648A
322 East Front Street, Boise, Idaho 83702

Roger W. Chase
Chairman
Pocatello
District 4

April 9, 2015

At 8:00 am the Chairman called the meeting to order. All Board members were present.

Jeff Raybould
Vice-Chairman
St. Anthony
At Large

Agenda Item No. 1, Roll Call

Board Members Present

Roger Chase, Chairman
Jeff Raybould, Vice-Chairman
Vince Alberdi, Secretary
Dale Van Stone

Peter Van Der Meulen
Chuck Cuddy
Albert Barker
Bert Stevenson

Vince Alberdi
Secretary
Kimberly
At Large

Staff Members Present

Brian Patton, Bureau Chief
Cynthia Bridge Clark, Section Manager
Clive Strong, Deputy Attorney General
Mandi Pearson, Admin. Assistant

Peter Van Der Meulen
Hailey
At Large

**Charles "Chuck"
Cuddy**
Orofino
At Large

Guests Present

John Simpson, Barker Rosholt & Simpson
Jon Bowling, Idaho Power Company
Sarah Higer, Idaho Power Company
Peter Anderson, Trout Unlimited
Jeff Fereday, Givens Pursley

Albert Barker
Boise
District 2

John "Bert" Stevenson
Rupert
District 3

Agenda Item No. 2, Surface Water Coalition Delivery Call

Mr. Patton provided a background on and history of the Surface Water Coalition Delivery Call. The Methodology Order is unique in that it does not require a static replacement flow amount, so there is variable obligation by the groundwater users from year to year. This year, the obligation by the groundwater users will be significantly larger than what has been required before, with little warning to groundwater users. Another complicating factor is the flow augmentation requirement.

Dale Van Stone
Hope
District 1

Chairman Chase asked for possible short-term solutions, as well as ideas for future long-term solutions. There was discussion among the parties regarding water supply available in Cascade for a possible flow augmentation exchange, the availability of tribal water, winter recharge impacts, the value

placed on available water, sources of mitigation water, financial assistance by the Board, and complications regarding flow augmentation. There was further discussion regarding Department policy and methodology changes, cloud-seeding, a settlement framework, storage projects, and Snake River flows.

Agenda Item No. 3, Other Items Board Members May Wish to Discuss

There were no other items Board members wished to discuss.

Agenda Item No. 4, Adjourn

The IWRB Meeting 4-15 adjourned at approximately 8:55 am.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of May, 2015.



Vince Alberdi, Secretary



Mandi Pearson, Administrative Assistant II

Board Actions

No action was taken by the Board during this meeting.