



# IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

## MINUTES

### CLOUD SEEDING COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 1-24

**Brad Little**  
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**Brian Olmstead**  
Twin Falls  
At Large

**Marcus Gibbs**  
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**Patrick McMahon**  
Sun Valley  
At Large

Water Center  
Conference Rooms 602 C&D  
322 E. Front St.  
BOISE

September 9, 2024

**Committee Members:** Chair Marc Gibbs, Jeff Raybould, Al Barker, and Pat McMahon

#### **Agenda Item No. 1: Introductions & Attendance**

Chairman Gibbs called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM (MT) in Boise and online. The meeting was livestreamed to the board's YouTube channel. Committee members present were Al Barker, Pat McMahon, Jeff Raybould, and Chair Gibbs (online). Other board members present were Jo Ann Cole-Hansen, Brian Olmstead, Dean Stevenson (online), and Dale Van Stone (online).

IDWR staff members present were Brian Patton, Kala Golden, Wesley Hipke, Cynthia Bridge Clark, and Jennifer Strange.

Guests in person included John Simpson.

#### **Agenda Item No. 2: Cloud Seeding Program Development**

Kala Golden outlined the Cloud Seeding Program's history. She spoke on the need for public education due to misinformation and the development of an analysis project.

#### **Agenda Item No. 3: Proposed Cloud Seeding Program Funding Request**

Kala Golden presented a draft resolution which proposed the following expenditures: \$290,000 for modeling updates, \$910,000 for a high-resolution data set, and \$170,000 for liquid propane research. There were concerns about spending on modeling. The committee suggested that the spending items be listed in three separate resolutions.

Mr. Raybould moved that the committee recommends submitting three resolutions to the full board for review and consideration. Mr. Barker seconded the motion. Voice vote: all ayes. The motion passed.

**Agenda Item No. 4: Other Items**

There were no other items for discussion from the board members.

**Agenda Item No. 5: Adjourn**

Jeff Raybould moved to adjourn. Al Barker seconded. Voice vote: all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Strange, Administrative Assistant to the Board.