GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AREA AND RESCINDANCE OF AMERICAN **FALLS GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AREA DESIGNATION**

Notice is hereby given that on November 2, 2016, the Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources signed two related final orders: (1) designating the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer Ground Water Management Area (ESPA GWMA); and (2) rescinding the American Falls Ground Water Management Area (American Falls GWMA). These actions, conducted pursuant to Section 42-233b. Idaho Code, were initiated on a determination that the ground water system in the area may be approaching the conditions of a critical ground water area and the management of ground water resources within the existing American Falls GWMA, while still warranted, should continue into the future as part of the larger ESPA GWMA.

The location of the ESPA GWMA is shown on the attached map (refer to Figure 1).



Pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701A(3), any person aggrieved by the action of the Director shall be entitled to a hearing before the director to contest the action. The person shall file with the Director, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of actual notice, a written petition stating the grounds for contesting the action by the Director and requesting a hearing. Petition for Reconsideration must be filed with the Department with one of the following locations: IDWR Eastern Region, 900 N. Skyline Drive, Suite A. Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402-1718; IDWR Southern Region, 650 Addison Avenue West, Suite 500, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301-5858; or IDWR State Office, PO Box 83720, Boise Idaho, 83720-0098.

Copies of the order can be viewed on the Department's website at:

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STATE OF IDAHO SS. County of Lemhi

RICKY G. HODGES being first duly sworn, deposes and says he is one of the publishers (printers) of The Recorder Herald, a newspaper published weekly at Salmon, Lemhi County, Idaho, and of general circulation therein. That the EASTERN SNAKE PLAIN AUQUIFER, a true printed copy of which is attached to the margin hereof, has been and was correctly printed and published in the regular and entire issue of every number of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof or thereto for TWO (2) consecutive issue(s), commencing with the issue dated 11-24-2016 and ending with the issue dated 12-1-2016.

STATE OF IDAHO SS. County of Lemhi

On this 1st day of December in this year of 2016 before me, A Notary Public, personally appeared RICKY G. HODGES, known or identified to me to be the person whose name subscribed to the within instrument, and being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein are true, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

Notary Public for Idaho

Residing At Salmon, Idaho

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