

**BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

IN THE MATTER OF DESIGNATING THE
EASTERN SNAKE PLAIN AQUIFER
GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AREA

Docket No. AA-GWMA-2016-001

**ORDER ADOPTING DEADLINES;
NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL
PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

BACKGROUND

On July 11, 2019, the Director held a prehearing conference in this matter. *See Notice of Additional Prehearing Conference* (June 21, 2019). At that conference, all parties, except for the Big Wood & Little Wood Water Users Association, were represented either in person or by phone. The participating parties discussed, among other issues, how the case should proceed to hearing. As a result of the conference those parties who still maintain opposition to the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer Ground Water Management Area (“ESPA GWMA”) Order and a desire to present argument and evidence at hearing were identified. The parties still in opposition are: the Fremont Madison Irrigation District, Madison Ground Water District and Idaho Irrigation District, the Basin 33 Water Users, and McCain Foods USA, Inc.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following deadlines are ADOPTED:

- August 1, 2019** Deadline for a party to submit to the Director a statement of issues that the party believes the Director should address at hearing in this contested case. The statement of issues should include argument and authority in support of each issue proposed for consideration. Submission of a statement of issues is not mandatory, except for the parties opposing the previously issued order designating a ground water management area.
- August 22, 2019** Deadline for any party to submit to the Director a response to statements of issues submitted on or before August 1, 2019.

NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

The Director hereby gives notice that a prehearing conference will be held in this matter on **September 23, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. (MDT)**, at the Department’s State Office, located at 322 E. Front Street, 6th Floor, Director’s Conference Room, Boise, Idaho 83702. The purpose of the prehearing conference will be to schedule, among other things as necessary, expert witness disclosure, discovery timeframes, and the hearing date(s).

All parties must be present at the prehearing conference in person or by telephone. If participating by telephone, please dial 1-720-279-0026 and enter the following guest code when prompted: 234278#.

The prehearing conference will be held in accordance with provisions of Chapters 2 and 17, Title 42 and Chapter 52, Title 67, Idaho Code, and the Department's Rules of Procedure. IDAPA 37.01.01. A copy of the Department's Rules of Procedure may be obtained from the Department or at accessed at <https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/index.html>.

The status conference will be conducted in a facility which meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require special accommodations in order to attend, participate in or understand the hearing, please contact Kimberle English at (208) 287-4815, no later than five (5) days prior to the status conference.

DATED this 18th day of July, 2019.



GARY SPACKMAN
Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on this 18th day of July 2019, the above and foregoing was served on the following by the method(s) indicated below:

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