## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

## OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF DISTRIBUTION OF WATER TO VARIOUS WATER RIGHTS HELD BY OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF A&B IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AMERICAN FALLS RESERVOIR DISTRICT #2, BURLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT, MILNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, MINIDOKA IRRIGATION DISTRICT, NORTH SIDE CANAL COMPANY, AND TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY

IN THE MATTER OF IGWA'S SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT MITIGATION PLAN

Docket No. CM-MP-2016-001

NOTICE OF CONTINUED SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

## **BACKGROUND**

On August 2, 2023, the Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources issued his Final Order Regarding IGWA's 2022 Mitigation Plan Compliance ("2022 Compliance Order"). On August 16, 2023, A&B Irrigation District, American Falls Reservoir District #2, Burley Irrigation District, Milner Irrigation District, Minidoka Irrigation District, North Side Canal Company, and Twin Falls Canal Company filed Surface Water Coalition's Petition for Reconsideration and Request for Hearing ("SWC's Petition") with the Department. Pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701A(3), the SWC's Petition requested a hearing on the 2022 Compliance Order. SWC's Petition at 6.

On September 6, 2023, the Director issued an *Order Granting Request for Hearing; Notice of Scheduling Conference*. On November 7, 2023, the Director held a scheduling conference in the above-captioned matter. All parties were present via Webex videoconferencing. The parties and the Director discussed continuing the scheduling conference to allow time for the Director to appoint an independent hearing officer and for a decision to be issued in *Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc. v. Idaho Department of Water Resources*, No. CV01-23-07893 (Ada County District Court). The Director decided to continue the prehearing conference on December 12, 2023.

## NOTICE OF CONTINUED SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

The Director hereby notifies the parties that a continued scheduling conference in this matter will be held on **December 12, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. (MST)**, at the Department's State Office, located at 322 E. Front Street, 6th Floor, Conference Room 648A, Boise, Idaho. The Department has not yet assigned a hearing officer to the matter. Notice of hearing officer assignment will be provided to the parties prior to the scheduling conference.

The parties to the matter must be represented at the scheduling conference in person or by video conference. The purpose of the conference is to schedule a hearing on the Department's 2022 Compliance Order.

To join the conference via computer or smartphone, please click the following Webex link, follow the prompts, and wait to be admitted by the meeting host: <a href="https://idahogov.webex.com/idahogov/j.php?MTID=m8cfc2f0e2d192deb27d08ca87e6202fe">https://idahogov.webex.com/idahogov/j.php?MTID=m8cfc2f0e2d192deb27d08ca87e6202fe</a>.

To join the conference via telephone, please dial 1(415) 655-0001 (US Toll) and enter the following meeting access code when prompted: 2634 526 2302.

The conference will be held in accordance with the 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 Rules of Procedure may be obtained from the Department upon request or at <a href="https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/370101.pdf">https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/370101.pdf</a>.

The conference will be conducted in a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require special accommodations to attend, participate in, or understand the conference, please advise the Department no later than five (5) days before the conference. Inquiries for special accommodations should be directed to Sarah Tschohl, Idaho Department of Water Resources, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0098, telephone (208) 287-4815, or email <a href="mailto:sarah.tschohl@idwr.idaho.gov">sarah.tschohl@idwr.idaho.gov</a>.

DATED this 15th day of November 2023.

MATHEW WEAVER

Director

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this <u>15th</u> day of November 2023, the above and foregoing, was served by the method indicated below, and addressed to the following:

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