### BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

## OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF MADISON GROUND WATER DISTRICT AND HENRY'S FORK GROUND WATER DISTRICT'S MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE SURFACE WATER COALITION

IN THE MATTER OF BONNEVILLE-JEFFERSON GROUND WATER DISTRICT'S MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE SURFACE WATER COALITION

IN THE MATTER OF JEFFERSON CLARK GROUND WATER DISTRICT'S MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE SURFACE WATER COALITION

IN THE MATTER OF NORTH SNAKE GROUND WATER DISTRICT'S MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE SURFACE WATER COALITION

IN THE MATTER OF MAGIC VALLEY GROUND WATER DISTRICT'S MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE SURFACE WATER COALITION

IN THE MATTER OF BINGHAM GROUND WATER DISTRICT'S MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE SURFACE WATER COALITION Docket Nos. CM-MP-2023-001 CM-MP-2023-002 CM-MP-2023-003

CM-MP-2023-004

CM-MP-2023-005 CM-MP-2024-001

ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED MOTION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS

NOTICE OF CONTINUED PREHEARING CONFERENCE

On June 24, 2024, Hearing Officer Schroeder held a continued prehearing conference in the above referenced matters. All parties were represented by counsel. Approximately ten minutes prior to the hearing, the Hearing Officer received the parties' *Joint Stipulated Motion to Stay*. The parties jointly moved the Hearing Officer to stay these proceedings until October 1, 2024, pursuant to the terms of a stipulation between Ground Water Districts and the Surface Water Coalition. *Joint Stipulated Motion to Stay*, at 3.

At the prehearing conference, counsel for Bingham Ground Water District expressed that should the Ground Water Districts and the Surface Water Coalition fail to reach an agreement that would resolve these contested cases before October 1, 2024, the Petitioners would like to expedite these proceedings. The Hearing Officer explained that he would plan on the ability to

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> While this order is captioned jointly, these proceedings have not been consolidated and this order does not consolidate them.

expedite proceedings if necessary. The Hearing Officer noted that the earlier he knows if there is a breakdown such that nothing is going to be achieved before the stay is lifted, the earlier he can make every effort to get the proceedings on track for a decision.

In an exercise of discretion, and on the basis that the motion is unopposed, the Hearing Officer orally granted the parties' stipulated motion. *See* IDAPA 37.01.01.412. This order serves to memorialize the Hearing Officer's decision and order.

To ensure any necessary proceedings can be expedited once the stay is lifted, the Hearing Officer hereby continues the prehearing conference to October 3, 2024.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above-captioned contested case is STAYED until October 1, 2024.

#### NOTICE OF CONTINUED PREHEARING CONFERENCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a continued prehearing conference in this matter will be held on **October 3**, **2024**, **at 2:00 p.m. (MT)**, at the Department's State Office, located at 322 E. Front Street, 6th Floor, Conference Rooms 602C–D, Boise, Idaho. All parties must be present at the prehearing conference in person or by video conference.

Prior to the continued prehearing conference, the Hearing Officer will issue an order addressing topics the parties should come prepared to discuss. Topics may include proposed issues for hearing, potential consolidation of proceedings for hearing, any proposed settlement, and any other matters that could aid in the fair and efficient resolution of this contested case.

To join the conference via computer or smartphone, please click the following Webex link and follow the prompts: <a href="https://idahogov.webex.com/idahogov/j.php?MTID=mc886fdcde338ddf9e49162ece0ef79ed">https://idahogov.webex.com/idahogov/j.php?MTID=mc886fdcde338ddf9e49162ece0ef79ed</a>.

To join the conference via telephone, please dial 1(415) 655-0001 (US Toll) and enter the following meeting access code when prompted: 2633 183 4662.

The conference will be held in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 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 prehearing conference will be conducted in a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require special accommodation 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, PO 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 25th day of July 2024.

GERALD F. SCHROEDER

Hearing Officer

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 25th day of July 2024, the above and foregoing, was served by the method indicated below, and addressed to the following:

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