

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE MITIGATION PLAN
FILED BY FALLS IRRIGATION DISTRICT FOR
THE DISTRIBUTION OF WATER TO WATER
RIGHTS HELD BY THE SURFACE WATER
COALITION

Docket No. CM-MP-2024-002

**NOTICE OF STATUS
CONFERENCE**

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SERVICE**

BACKGROUND

On May 7, 2024, Falls Irrigation District submitted *Falls Irrigation District’s Rule 43 Mitigation Plan* (“*Plan*”) to the Idaho Department of Water Resources (“Department”), pursuant to Rule 43 of the Department’s Rules for Conjunctive Management of Surface and Ground Water Resources, IDAPA 37.03.11.043. Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc. protested the *Plan*.

On August 28, 2025, Falls Irrigation District and the Surface Water Coalition filed a *Joint Motion to Approve Stipulation Regarding Falls Irrigation District’s Rule 43 Mitigation Plan*. Following that filing, the Hearing Officer received IGWA’s *Brief in Opposition to Joint Motion to Approve Stipulation Regarding Falls Irrigation District’s Rule 43 Mitigation*. A series of responses, sur-replies, and petitions to intervene followed.

Pursuant to Rule 511 of the Department’s Rules of Procedure (IDAPA 37.01.01), the Hearing Officer will exercise his authority to convene an additional status conference before addressing the recent filings. The purpose of this status conference is to address the procedural issues raised in the briefing and to consider other matters that may expedite the disposition of this proceeding.

Additionally, the Hearing Officer will exercise his discretion to authorize the Department and the parties to officially serve documents by email in this contested case.

NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a status conference in this matter will be held on **November 13, 2025, at 3:00 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 represented at the status conference, whether in person or remote. The parties shall come prepared to discuss pending motions, scheduling and procedural requests, 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:

<https://idahogov.webex.com/idahogov/j.php?MTID=m5500cb882c6ff01c7eedb87b21b3f01f>.

To join the conference via telephone, please dial 1(415) 655-0001 (US Toll) and enter the following meeting access code when prompted: 2631 164 7055.


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 <https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/370101.pdf>.

The status conference will be conducted in a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require reasonable accommodation to attend, participate in, or understand the conference, please advise the Department no later than five (5) days before the conference. Inquiries for reasonable 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 sarah.tschohl@idwr.idaho.gov.

ORDER AUTHORIZING EMAIL SERVICE

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that pursuant to IDAPA 37.01.01.053.02–03, the Department, the parties, and those seeking party status are authorized to serve documents by email as an alternative to service by mail or personal service. The emails included in the certificate of service below are to be used as the official service emails, unless a notice instructing otherwise is filed with the Department and properly served.

DATED this 22nd day of October 2025.



GERALD F. SCHROEDER
Hearing Officer

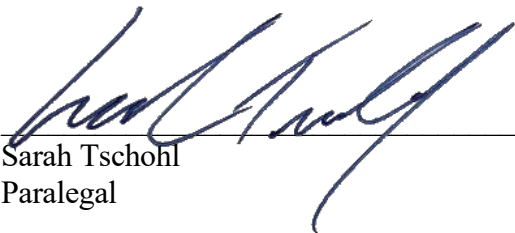
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 22nd day of October 2025, the above and foregoing was served by the method indicated below, and addressed to the following:

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