BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND ACCOUNTING OF THE PRACTICE OF ROTATING NATURAL FLOW WATER RIGHTS INTO MACKAY RESERVOIR FOR STORAGE NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE; ORDER REQUIRING STAFF MEMORANDUM

On January 26, 2021, the parties to the above captioned contested case participated in a status conference. At the status conference, the parties attempted to evaluate the 2020 implementation of the watermaster instructions adopted by the Director in his *Interlocutory Order Regarding Instructions to Water District 34 Watermaster; Order Vacating Deadline and Hearing Dates; Notice of Status Conference.* Because of incomplete analyses at the time of the January 26, 2021, status conference, the parties, the Water District 34 Watermaster, Lucas Yockey, and IDWR staff will collaboratively evaluate the 2020 implementation of the watermaster instructions. Following this cooperative effort, IDWR staff will prepare a staff memorandum containing recommended amendments to the watermaster instructions regarding rotation into storage that will be circulated to the parties before the next status conference.

NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE

The parties are hereby notified that a status conference is scheduled for **March 30, 2021**, **at 10:00 a.m. (MST)**. The status conference will be held via Zoom videoconference. Instructions regarding the Zoom video conference will be emailed to the parties prior to the status conference.

The status conference will be held in accordance with provisions of Chapters 2 and 17, Title 42 and Chapter 52, Title 67, Idaho Code, and the adopted Rules of Procedure of the Department, IDAPA 37.01.01. A copy of the Rules of Procedure may be obtained from the Department upon request or at: <u>https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/370101.pdf</u>.

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

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that IDWR staff, the Water District 34 Watermaster, Lucas Yockey, and the parties shall collaboratively evaluate the 2020 implementation of the Director's watermaster instructions regarding rotation of natural flow into storage.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, following the cooperative analyses, IDWR staff shall prepare a staff memorandum evaluating the 2020 implementation of the watermaster instructions regarding rotation into storage and recommending refinements to the watermaster instructions.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the staff memorandum shall be circulated to all parties no later than March 16, 2021.

Dated this ______ day of February, 2021.

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Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this <u>b</u> day of February, 2021, the above and foregoing NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE; ORDER REQUIRING STAFF MEMORANDUM was served on the following by the method(s) indicated below:

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