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RE: Notice of Stay of Curtailment Order and Order Granting IGWA's Second Petition to Stay Curtailment – Rangen Delivery Call

Dear Water User:

The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources (“Department”) has granted a temporary stay of the Amended Curtailment Order issued April 11, 2014, in the Rangen Delivery Call, which required curtailment of ground water rights with priority dates junior to July 1, 1983. The stay will benefit members of the Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc. (“IGWA”) and non-member participants in IGWA’s mitigation plan. **The stay does NOT apply to holders of ground water rights junior to July 13, 1962, who are not members of IGWA¹ or who are not non-member participants in IGWA’s mitigation plan.** Curtailment will be enforced as of May 5, 2014, for affected ground water rights junior to July 13, 1962, which are not participating in a mitigation plan.

The Director’s Order Granting IGWA’s Second Petition to Stay Curtailment will provide time for the Director to conduct an expedited hearing and consider IGWA’s second mitigation plan. **Please be advised that curtailment of ground water rights is still possible during the 2014 irrigation season depending on the Director’s decision regarding IGWA’s second mitigation plan. Please plan accordingly if you have irrigated acres that may be at risk.**

Water District 140 will notify you again if there are any changes in the notice of stay. You may also check the Department’s website for additional updates or information concerning the Rangen Delivery Call at <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov> under the “What’s New” tab and the “Rangen Curtailment Order” sub-heading. Please contact me at the above phone number or location if you have questions concerning the curtailment, the temporary stay, or any of the ongoing proceedings, or you may contact the Department’s State Office in Boise at 208-287-4800.

Respectfully,

Brian Higgs, Watermaster

cc: Gary Spackman, IDWR Director
Southwest Irrigation District
Goose Creek Irrigation District
Magic Valley Ground Water District
Randy Budge, IGWA

¹IGWA member ground water districts and irrigation districts located within Water District 140 and the affected area of the Rangen Curtailment Order include the Southwest and Goose Creek Irrigation Districts and the Magic Valley Ground Water District.