January 20, 2015

Water Rights:

RE: Notice of Curtailment – Rangen Delivery Call

Dear Water User:

The records of the Idaho Department of Water Resources (“Department”) identify you as the holder of the above referenced ground water right(s) which is affected by the Rangen Delivery call and bears a priority date junior or equal to August 12, 1973. On November 28, 2014, the watermaster of Water District 130 or the watermaster of Water District 140 notified you that the holders of consumptive ground water rights bearing priority dates junior or equal to August 12, 1973, must curtail or refrain from diverting ground water pursuant to those rights on January 19, 2015, unless the Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc.’s (IGWA) approved mitigation plan is implemented by that date.

The Department confirmed that IGWA has not implemented its approved mitigation plan. You must, therefore, immediately curtail or refrain from any further diversion of ground water under the above referenced water right(s) after contact with Department staff.

By copy of this letter, I am directing the watermasters of Water Districts 130 and 140 to review the water rights that are subject to immediate curtailment in their respective districts and begin contacting the water right holders to verify curtailment of the affected rights. The watermasters and/or their assistants may visit diversion facilities or sites to verify curtailment or physically implement any curtailment if necessary.

Information regarding the ongoing status of this curtailment and IGWA’s implementation of the necessary mitigation may be found on the Department’s website at www.idwr.idaho.gov and using the “Rangen Curtailment Status” link under the “What’s New” heading on the home page. If you have questions concerning this notice, please contact the Department’s State Office in Boise at 208-287-4800, the Water District 130 watermaster (Cindy Yenter, 208-736-3033) or the Water District 140 watermaster (Brian Higgs, 208-604-1280).

Respectfully,

Gary Spackman, IDWR Director

Cc: Cindy Yenter, WD130 Watermaster
Brian Higgs, WD140 Watermaster
North Snake Ground Water District
Magic Valley Ground Water District
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