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ADMINISTRATOR'S MEMORANDUM
OPERATIONS DIVISION

TO: Districts
FROM: A. Kenneth Dunn
DATE: June 23, 1975
SUBJECT: Department policy regarding the following three items:

(1) The approval of watermaster reports may be done by district ^{superintendents} ~~engineers~~. It is not necessary to send these reports to Boise for signature before they are sent on to the county for payment.

(2) The Certificates of Appointment of watermasters, flood control district commissioners, and other similar certificates must be signed by the Director, Bureau Chiefs or District Supervisors.

(3) We should not challenge a water rights claim submitted under the provisions of Section 42-225(a) of the Idaho Code when such claim is filed. However, if we have information which may aid the court or the department in later determining the validity of the right as claimed, that information should be placed in the file and a copy sent to the claimant. If, after filing a claim, the claimant proposes transfer of the water right, it then becomes our duty to determine all we can concerning the claim and we can deny the transfer if we feel that the claim is invalid.

