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Administrative Memorandum No. 10
Stream Channel Alteration - Outside Agency Comments

MEMORANDUM

TO: Regional Managers,  
Stream Protection Unit

FROM: Norm Young

The purpose of this memorandum is to insure that the Department of Water Resources is meeting our responsibility as outlined under § 42-3804, Idaho Code. Application--Review by the director.

Section 42-3804 of the I.C. requires IDWR to consult with other state agencies having an interest in the stream channels to determine the full effect of any proposed channel alteration.

Some of these agencies do not feel their time and comments are being utilized by the department in this regard. I also realize that sometimes the comments submitted by these agencies cannot be considered under our specific authority.

However, as a matter of clarification on this point the department will consider all comments submitted which are required by the SCA act. If the comments suggest conditions of approval or actions which exceed our authority, are unwarranted or cannot be reasonably included into the permit, the commenting agency must be contacted and advised of the problem and given the opportunity to modify or withdraw the comments.

If you are having a problem with a particular individual or agency please feel free to refer the problem to me or Erv Ballou.