

Swan Falls Implementation Group

November 15, 2022, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

IDWR State Office 6th Floor Conference Rooms

Introductions / Attendees In Person:

Mat Weaver, IDWR, Garrick Baxter, Att Gen, IDWR, Megan Jenkins, IDWR, Jennifer Sukow, IDWR, Brian Patton, IDWR, John Simpson, IPC, Kresta Davis, IPC, Scott Pugrud, IPC, Gary Spackman IDWR, Matt Anders, IDWR, Sean Vincent, IDWR, Ethan Geisler, IDWR, David Hoekema, IDWR,

Introductions / Attendees Remote:

Jeff Raybould, IWRB, David Blew, IPC, Braden Jensen, Idaho Farm Bureau, Bob Turner, IGWA, T.J. Budge, IGWA, Norman Semanko and Ann Yribar, Att Gen, IDWR

Matt: / Overview of Agenda:

Housekeeping Items:

Reminder that we have been posting materials on the webpage.

At the last meeting Ethan Geisler presented on the update of the adjusted average flows at Murphy, but his second presentation was on the analysis that was conducted in response to Q1 of the 5 questions. That question was an analysis of the impacts of mitigation activities by IGWA and the board on minimum stream flows at Murphy. Comments were still coming in. That publication has now been finalized. It will be published to the website. There is a digital copy on the Technical Working Group Tab.

Jennifer Sukow presented on Questions 2 through 4. Evaluation of trust water use impact on Snake River Below Milner Dam. The publication was emailed to the group and will be published. What is the significance of the impacts? Need a deeper discussion at the next meeting or at an upcoming meeting.

Finally, the Technical Working Group is still working on the 5th question.

Scott Pugrud – questioned if Q5 has yet to be refined.

Mat Weaver: That has not yet been done but can be done through email.

Other Business:

Director Spackman – the moratorium order has been issued. Already received challenges. One petition expressed concerns about the moratorium extending below King Hill (Elmore County). Petitions to intervene from IGWA and Pocatello.

Discussion on when to set next meeting. Looking past the new year. Volunteering Megan Jenkins to put forth a date for the next meeting.

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