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IDWR officials to host public workshops in Sandpoint to help water users file claims in Clark Fork-Pend Oreille River Basin Adjudication

SANDPOINT – (March 28, 2023) - The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) will host public workshops in Sandpoint during the first week in April to assist the public with filing water rights claims in the Clark Fork-Pend Oreille River Basin Adjudication.

IDWR staff will be available at the Ponderay Events Center in north Sandpoint on Tuesday, April 4 – Thursday, April 6 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. IDWR staff will serve the public on a first-come, first-served basis to answer questions and help people with filing water right claims.

To avoid longer wait times, IDWR recommends avoiding peak busy periods around 8 a.m., 12 p.m., and 5 p.m.

Since September 2021, IDWR has sent out approximately 27,000 notices to property owners, notifying them about the Clark Fork-Pend Oreille River Basin Adjudication and requesting water rights claims. About 6,700 water rights claims have been filed with IDWR so far.

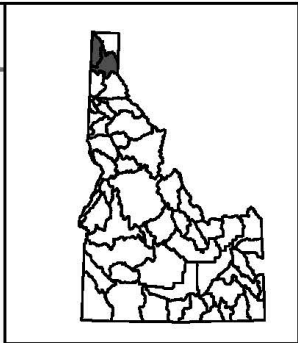
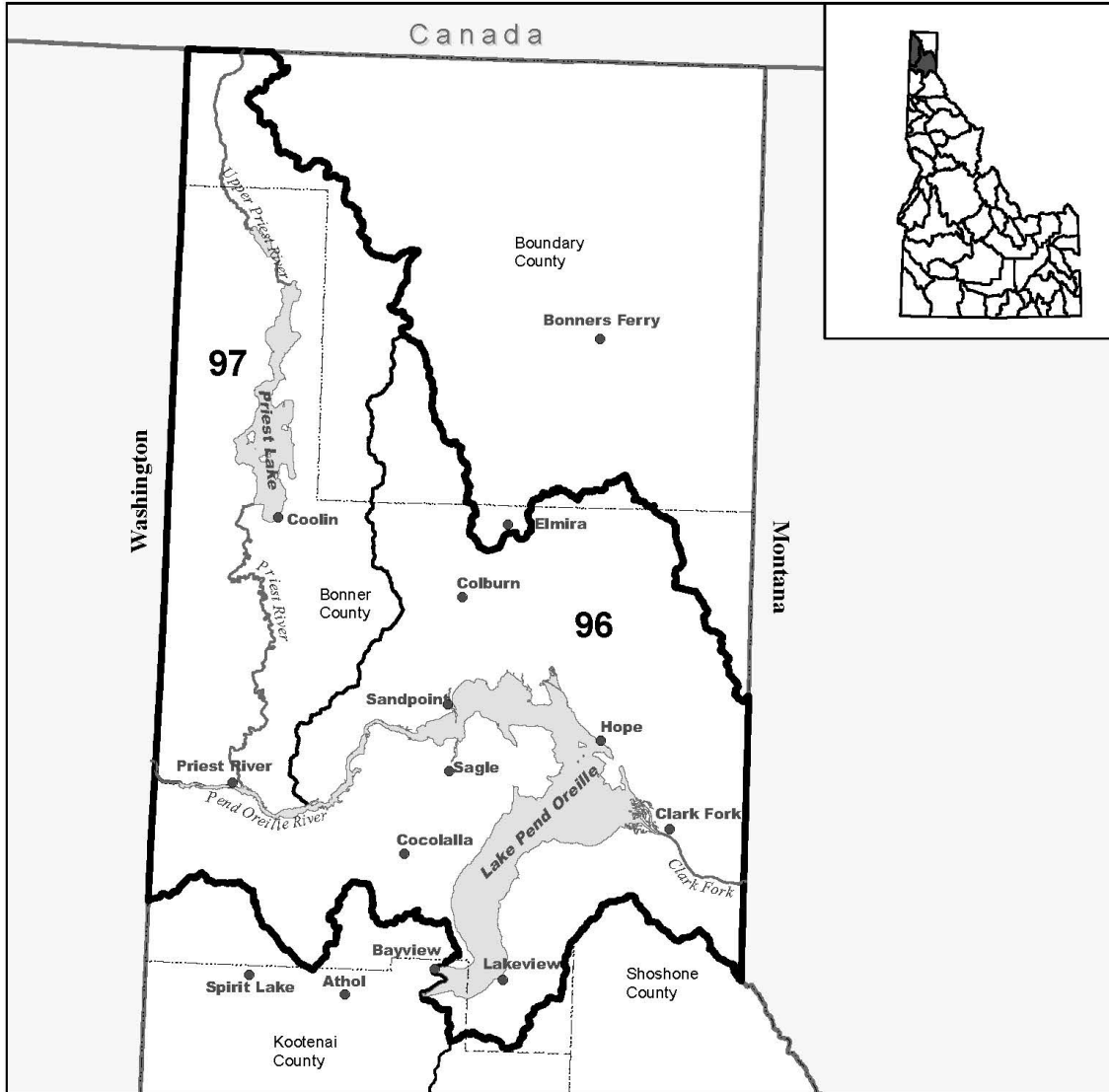
IDWR staff recommends bringing your property tax notice with parcel information, any related water right records, and knowledge of the facts related to the development of water use on your property, especially the date when the water was first used.

Filing complex water rights claims or multiple claims may take more time and could require follow-up through additional appointments or by telephone, e-mail, or written communication.

Payment of filing fees for water rights claims can be made during the public workshops in Sandpoint. See fee schedule [here](#). For cash transactions, please bring the exact amount due. Checks are accepted.

For additional information, go to <https://idwr.idaho.gov/water-rights/adjudication/nia/cfprba/> or call: Adjudication Hotline: (800) 451-4129; Northern Region Office: (208) 762-2800

Clark Fork-Pend Oreille River Basin Water System



Legend

- County Boundaries
- cities
- Clark Fork- Pend Oreille River Basin Water System Boundary
- IDWR Administrative Basins



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