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EASTERN REGION

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Dear Claimant in the Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA):

About 10 years ago you or your predecessor filed with the Idaho Department of Water Resources a claim to water rights in the Snake River Basin. The investigation phase of this process is now focused on your area, Basin 22.

You are invited to attend one of two **public meetings on Wednesday, March 17:**

10 a.m.

**Teton County High School auditorium
Driggs**

3 p.m.

**BYU Idaho Manwaring Center, Rm 272
Rexburg**

The purpose of these meetings are for (1) the Department to update you on how the adjudication process works, and (2) for you, the claimant, to express concerns or discuss problems relating to water delivery in your area. This will help us to understand from an historical perspective the use and delivery of your water right.

Throughout this summer our adjudication staff, primarily from our Eastern Regional Office but also at times from Boise, will be contacting various water users in Basin 22. We ask for your cooperation in this process – the better we understand your water rights the better chance of you receiving an accurate decree from the SRBA Court that fully describes your water rights.

This investigation effort is being conducted by an experienced and successful staff. During recent years, this staff has accurately investigated and reported water rights in neighboring basins to the west, including the Big Lost River, the Little Lost River, and Birch Creek area.

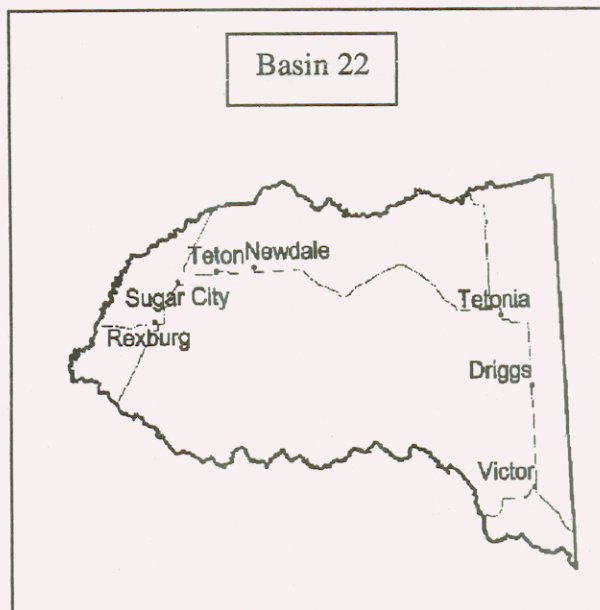
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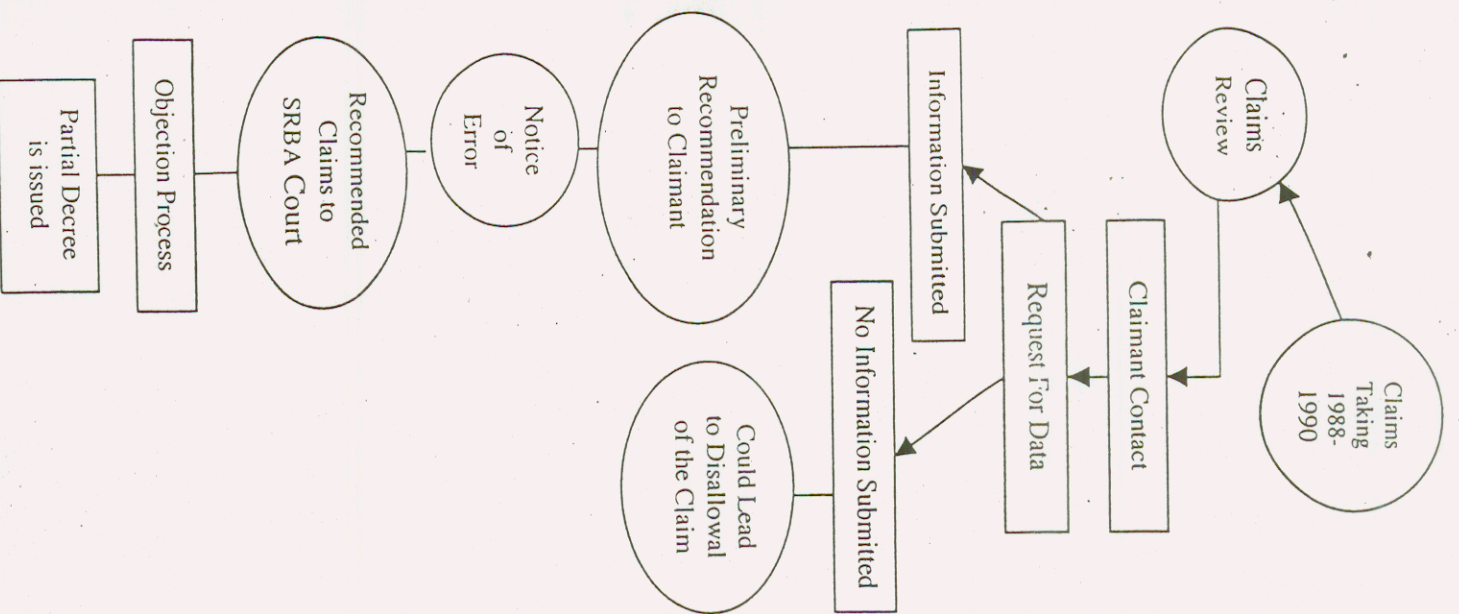
Sincerely,

Ernest Carlsen
Adjudication Supervisor, Eastern Region

Enclosure: Information Brochure

Note: For those attending the Rexburg meeting, please park along the street, or in the Manwaring West, Taylor, or Kimball parking lots. Campus Police will not ticket cars parked in those lots during the meeting.





Questions and Answers:

Q: Why now? I adjudicated my water rights in 1989.

A: You filed your claims in 1989. Now we are investigating those claims to make accurate recommendations to the Fifth District Court.

Q: If I furnish more information will you take away my water right?

A: The State does not want your water right. We ask for additional information so that we may make accurate recommendations of Beneficial Uses of the water rights. Our schedule is very tight – we need the info ASAP.

Q: How much more money do you want?

A: You paid for your claim in 1989, or so. There might be additional fees only in extenuating circumstances, such as additional acres or new claims.

Q: How come you want me to file another claim?

A: If we suggest you file additional claims it means we have found

additional uses of water to which you may be entitled, or we have identified additional acres.

Q: What about my Domestic well and Stockwater?

A: There is no statutory requirement to file either; but IDWR accepts your Domestic and/or Stockwater claims.

The Tools We Use:

In the evaluation of water right claims and preparation of recommendations the adjudication staff utilize:

- State-of-the-art computer technology.
- High resolution 1987 NAPP photography to identify the place of use.
- Global Positioning System (GPS) used to pin-point points of diversion or detail significant features.
- Prior decrees, licenses and transfers.
- Water measurements for claims based on beneficial use.
- Watermaster records
- Historical records
- Claimant input and participation

KEY

- ① - Information Desk
- V - Visitor Parking

#	Name	Code	#	Name	Code
1	Viking Stadium	SIA	36	Ezra Taft Benson	BEN
1a	Outdoor Rental Center	ORC	37	Agricultural & Biological Sciences Bldg.	HDG
1b	Stadium Studio	STU	38	Horticulture Demonstration Gardens	HIN
3	Eliza R. Snow Performing Arts Center	SNO	39	Gordon B. Hinckley Bldg.	CML
4	Jacob Spool Bldg.	SPO	43	Construction Management Lab	ASB
5	Oscar A. Kirkham Bldg.	KRK	45	Auxiliary Service Bldg.	AGM
6	George S. Romney Sciences Bldg.	ROM	49	Ag. Engineering Bldg.	TIL
7	John L. Clarke Bldg.	CLK		No-till & Minimum-till Demonstration Plots	
9	John W. Hart Physical Education Bldg.	HRT			
10	David O. McKay Library	MCK			
11	Joseph Fielding Smith Bldg.	SML			
12	Smith Annex	SA			
13	Perkins Hall (women)	PER			
14	Kerr Hall (women)	KER			
15	Barnes Hall (women)	BRH			
19	Hyrum Manning Student Center	MC			
	(Bookstore, Food Service, Ticket Office)				
20	Chapman Hall (women)	CHP			
21	Lamprecht Hall (families)	LAM			
22	Ricks Hall (women)	RIC			
23	Heating Plant	HIG			
24	Biddulph Hall (men)	BID			
25	Ripley Hall (faculty offices and men)	RIG			
26	John Taylor Bldg.	TAY			
27	Spencer W. Kimball				
28	Student & Admin. Services Bldg.	KIM			
30	Radio and Graphic Services Bldg.	RGS			
31	Physical Plant Shop Bldg.	PPS			
32	Physical Plant Office Bldg.	PRO			
33	Grounds Construction & Sign Shop	PPG			
34	Vehicle Operations Service Station	VOS			
35	Plumbing & Welding Shop	PWS			
	Mark Austin Technical & Engineering Bldg.	AUS			

Additional Off-campus Locations

Fourth Ward Meetinghouse, 166 S. 1 East	4WD
Art Annex, 16 E. Main Street	ANX
Badger Creek Outdoor Learning Center, near Jetonia	BCI
Campus Outdoor Center, 7th South	COC
Campus Outdoor Learning Center & Arboretum, 7th South	COL
Henry's Fork Outdoor Learning Center, 5400 W. Hwy 33	HFC
Madison Memorial Hospital, 450 E. Main	HSP
BRU Idaho Center, 1776 Science Center Dr., Idaho Falls	IFC
Livestock Center, 5400 W. Hwy 33	LC
Natural Science Center, Island Park	NSC
Idaho Mountain Lodge, near Victor	TML
Vocal Union Studio, 267 W. 4 South	VU

