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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

Ms. Sandra J Johnson, Agent
Natures Wood Duck Island Homeowners' Association, Inc.
2800 E Boise Ave
Boise ID 83706

Subject: Notice of Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) Proceedings for Water Rights Nos. 63-278 and 63-279B

Dear Ms. Johnson:

It has come to our attention that Natures Wood Duck Island Homeowners' Association, Inc. (hereafter, Association) may be the owner of two water rights to which the Bureau of Reclamation has objected in the SRBA. The owner on file with the Idaho Department of Water Resources has been Riverview Ventures at PO Box 9294, Boise, Idaho 83707. Therefore, all relevant documents have been sent to Riverview Ventures as required in the SRBA proceedings. However, we have recently become aware that the Association may be the owners of these water rights. As a courtesy, we are sending you the attached documents regarding SRBA proceedings that are currently underway. Please note, that the SRBA Court has set a hearing on this case for Tuesday, July 24, 2007.

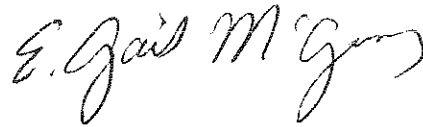
The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) objected to the Season of Use element of the subject water rights that the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) recommended in the SRBA. Historically, the season of use in the Boise River Basin has been April 1 to November 1. Allowing a longer season will harm Reclamation's ability to store water for the benefit of its irrigation contractors. The Boise Project Board of Control, representing irrigation districts, depends upon the reservoir system for their full water supply has filed objections mirroring those of Reclamation, raising the same concerns for storage.

Reclamation and the BOC have proposed a compromise in which IDWR has concurred. Under this resolution, the season of use for your water right would be as recommended by IDWR, but the period of time before April 1 or after October 31 would be subordinated to Reclamation's water rights at the reservoirs downstream of your water right.

Under this compromise, the subject water right could be exercised in the extended season (before April 1 and after October 31) when Reclamation is releasing water for flood control, but not when Reclamation is exercising its water right to store inflow to the downstream reservoirs. This maintains the historic administration of the Boise River storage and delivery system, as managed by the Boise River Watermaster.

Enclosed are copies of some of the relevant documents. Also enclosed is a settlement agreement for you to consider. If you agree, you may sign and initial the change on the water right and send back to me. Please call me if you have any questions at 208-378-5306.

Sincerely,



E. Gail McGarry
Program Manager
Water Rights and Acquisition

Enclosures

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Enclosures consist of
two unsigned SFS's +
the obj., amended obj.,
& responses previously
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on July 18th 2007, a true and correct copy of the **Letter to Natures Wood Duck Island Homeowners' Association, Inc.** was served on the following parties by the method indicated:

by the following method.

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Ms. Sandra J. Johnson, Agent
Natures Wood Duck Island Homeowners' Association, Inc.
2800 E. Boise Ave.
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By U.S. mail with sufficient first-class postage

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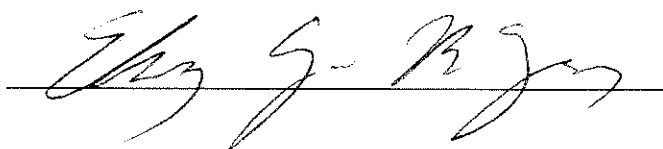
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elizabeth G. Rogers", is written over a horizontal line.