



State of Idaho

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April 7, 2014

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RE: Coeur D'Alene-Spokane River Basin Adjudication Claim (CSRBA) No. 91-7706

**RESPONSE DEADLINE**  
**DATE: MAY 8, 2014**

Dear Mr. or Ms. Masterson:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) is in the process of recommending claims in your area for decree in the CSRBA. On February 21, 2013, we sent you an amended copy of the above claim (copy enclosed) and requested that you review the claim, sign and initial any changes and return the claim, so we could continue our recommendation.

Also, the claim indicates your water usage is based on "Beneficial Use". Water rights of this type are established by the historic use of water, dating back to when water was first used for the purpose claimed, and are termed beneficial use rights. Since the priority date and historic use of a beneficial use right cannot be confirmed by field examination, proof must be provided by the claimant supporting the priority date claimed and the historic use of the water.

Enclosed you will find the pamphlet entitled "Evidence of Priority". The pamphlet describes the types of evidence required and suggests which documents will fulfill this requirement. If you no longer own the property to which the claim is appurtenant, please forward this correspondence to the present owner, or return it to IDWR.

Please submit this information, along with the required evidence supporting the priority date and the historic use by the date shown above, referencing all documents with the corresponding claim number. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. If we do not receive a response to this request, we may not be able to recommend your claim for decree in the CSRBA. I can be reached at (208) 762-2802 or email at [linda.werner@idwr.idaho.gov](mailto:linda.werner@idwr.idaho.gov).

Sincerely,

Linda A. Werner  
Water Resource Agent

Enclosure: Evidence of Priority Pamphlet  
Copy of Amended Claim Number 91-7706