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March 10, 2010

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RE: Applications for Permit: No. 36-16829 (Lower Salmon Dam project) and No. 37-22495 (Bliss Dam project)

Dear Applicants:

The Department of Water Resources acknowledges receipt of your water right applications. Please refer to the above referenced numbers in all future correspondence regarding these applications.

A legal notice of the applications has been prepared for publication in the **Times News on 3/18 & 3/25/10**. Submittal of protests to these applications will be allowed for a period ending ten days after the second publication. **(April 5, 2010)**

If an application is protested you will be sent a copy of the protest(s). All protests must be resolved before the application can be considered for approval. If the protest(s) cannot be resolved voluntarily, the Department will conduct a conference and/or hearing on the matter.

If an application is not protested, it may be approved at the Regional level or forwarded to our State Office in Boise for final processing. You will be notified of any action taken on the application and will send you a copy of the permit if approved. A typical processing time for an un-protested application is about eight weeks.

Please feel free to contact this office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mary A. Baldwin
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