MEMORANDUM

TO: WATER DISTRICT 11 FILE

FROM: NORM

SUBJECT: 1996 ANNUAL MEETING 2/6/96 @ SODA SPRINGS

DATE: February 10, 1996

- 1. PacifiCorp has until February 16, 1996, to respond to a notice from the Corps of Engineers that PacifiCorp's Section 404 application to dredge the outlet channel in Bear Lake will require preparation of an EIS. PacifiCorp will not finance the preparation of the EIS, which will require a specific appropriation from Congress to the Corps if the EIS is to proceed. PacifiCorp expressed interest in having the states (governors if possible) and the irrigators write to the Corps asking for reconsideration of the need for an EIS. I indicated that IDWR would send a letter.
- 2. Pete Peterson was re-elected (unanimously) as watermaster with a 3% salary increase.
- 3. Advisory board members were re-elected. Joe Larsen, Dean Mathews, Kelly Holt (Pacificorp replacing Gus Kladis) Lee Rheam. Will receive \$100 per day from district funds for accompanying watermaster on a daily round.
- 4. Peterson asked that Central Division diverters repair and replace measuring devices and recorders.
- 5. Bear Lake is at elevation 5911.7 and the watershed has 130+% snow pack.
- 6. Carly Burton reported that PacifiCorp would be filing on April 1, 1996 a notice of intent with FERC to commence the relicensing of its Bear River hydroprojects.
- 7. I reported on the status of preparation of the procedures to guide determination of an emergency and water distribution during a designated emergency that is being prepared in accordance with the Bear River Compact.