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Water District: 47-C; Cedar, Devil & Deadwood Creeks

Dear Mr. Coleman;

While at this year's water meeting, one of your irrigators asked me about the measuring-device order that was sent out in May of 1994. According to Tim Luke of our Boise office, the order was stayed based on an agreement between Cedar Creek Reservoir and water users in the upper drainage. Dr. Brockway apparently took some flow readings showing that most of the water diverted above the reservoir returned to the streams after use. My understanding is that few, if any, measuring devices were installed above the reservoir, and that no user has been cited for violating the 1994 order (which was supposed to be effective for the 1995 irrigation season).

Perhaps you could discuss this matter with your advisory board to see if they want IDWR to pursue this enforcement of the 1994 order. Copies of the order and Tim's 1995 letter are enclosed for your information.

Regards,

James E. Stanton Sr. Water Resource Agent