# State of Idaho

## DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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EASTERN REGION

DIRK KEMPTHORNE Governor

KARL J. DREHER Director

January 9, 2006

Carol Hoopes P. O. Box 65 Dubois, ID 83423

**WATER DISTRICT #32-C** 

Dear Ms Hoopes:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the Watermaster's Annual Report for the past season.

The same has been prepared by the watermaster and approved by this Department in conformity with Sections 42-610, 42-614 and 42-615, Idaho Code.

During the 1993 legislative session, the legislature enacted a new law which amends Section 42-619(9), Idaho Code and removes the independent financial audit requirement for most state water districts. The new law, referenced by Section 67-450B, Idaho Code (copy enclosed) identifies minimum audit requirements for all local government entities. Under the new statute, the governing body of any local government entity (i.e.; water district) whose annual budget does not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) has no minimum audit requirements under this section. This means that any district which handles its own money and whose budget is fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or less does not have to have an independent public account firm conduct a financial audit every few years as previously required by Section 42-619(9).

Please note that only the statutory requirement regarding the independent financial audit has been changed. Districts handling their own fund (i.e.; districts who collect and/or disburse their own funds) must still submit their own statement of the water district's financial affairs at the end of each fiscal year. As recommended in the Department's February 16, 1993 letter and the 1993 Watermaster Handbook, a copy of the financial statement may be submitted either with the annual water masters report or with the minutes of the annual meeting for the ensuing year. An example of an annual financial statement may be found in Appendix C of the 1993 Watermaster Handbook.

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The purpose of this letter is to remind all water districts that workers compensation insurance is required for all water district employees. This requirement applies to all water districts in Idaho, regardless of annual budget. Insurance should be applicable at least to all paid water district staff, including the watermaster as week as watermaster assistants, advisory committee, secretary and treasurer. The costs associated with workers compensation insurance is paid directly by the water district and should be considered an expense of the district. For information about obtaining insurance costs etc., please contact the Idaho State Insurance Fund. The State Insurance Fund has offices in Boise, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Pocatello and Twin Falls. Water Districts are also reminded that all paid water district staff may be subject to state and federal taxes. These tax requirements will vary depending on salaries and total income of each watermaster or employee. In many water districts, particularly smaller districts with part-time staff, payment of watermaster or each employee. Districts may wish to contact the State Tax Commission or the Internal Revenue Service for information about state and federal withholding taxes.

Sincerely,

Dennis M Dunn

Senior Water Right Agent

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Enclosure

# **NATERMASTER'S REPORT**

From: March 2006 to March 2007

Water Dist.: 32-C

Medicine Lodge Creek Source:

Tributary to: Sinks Ciark County:

Carol Hoopes Secretary:

Watermaster:

Gregory A. Shenton

PO Box 33

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Assistant Watermaster: Brett Murdock

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### AFFIDAVIT OF WATERMASTER

STATE OF IDAHO COUNTY OF CLARK

Gregory A.Shenton, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is (Deputy) Watermaster on MEDICINE LODGE CREEK 32-C, having been lawfully appointed by the Director, Department of Water Resources Karl J. Dreher and that the volumes of water, as stated in this report, prorated by him to the several users, are correct; that the sum of \$ 0 is justly due as stated.

Vatermaster District No. 32-C

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this

2006

Notary Public

My Commission expires

Boise, Idaho, /6 /anuau
Gregory A.Shenton

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That

was lawfully appointed by me (Deputy) Watermaster of District No. 32-C, and that his bill for services rendered prorated to the several users, as herein sworn to, is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct.

Director, Department of Water Resources

Water Dist.: 32-C Year: 2006 Monthly Flow Totals

| Water User                       | Monthly Totals of 24-hour Second Feet for Irrigation Season |         |         |         |         |           |         |          |  |
|----------------------------------|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|----------|--|
|                                  | April   | May     | June    | July    | August  | September | October | Sec. Ft. |  |
| Lee Small P2051, 20, 30          | 0.00  | 99.20   | 99.20   | 96.98   | 99.20   | 96.00     | 99.20   | 589.78   |  |
| Kyle,Tod,John 4                  | 0.00  | 31.00   | 31.00   | 31.00   | 22.70   | 15.00     | 15.50   | 146.20   |  |
| Middle Creek Ranch 4             | 0.00  | 84.24   | 100.44  | 100.20  | 91.65   | 74.10     | 0.00    | 450.63   |  |
| Grant Ashcraft 13                | 0.00  | 120.00  | 234.61  | 170.44  | 149.42  | 125.58    | 62.00   | 862.05   |  |
| Thomas Edan 19                   | 0.00  | 77.50   | 77.50   | 57.10   | 40.30   | 39.00     | 77.50   | 368.90   |  |
| Dean Shenton 4A                  | 0.00  | 225.48  | 158.68  | 161.55  | 170.28  | 117.34    | 102.30  | 935.63   |  |
| Gerald Holmes 4B                 | 0.00  | 52.50   | 66.89   | 88.90   | 58.51   | 39.89     | 21.07   | 327.76   |  |
| Brion Egan 4-B                   | 0.00  | 140.00  | 83.10   | 108.50  | 107.62  | 84.00     | 87.50   | 610.72   |  |
| Egan Land and Cattle 9,14        | 0.00  | 28.00   | 26.00   | 26.00   | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 80.00    |  |
| Egan Land and Cattle             | 0.00  | 83.00   | 93.00   | 96.96   | 103.08  | 100.80    | 86.10   | 562.94   |  |
| Jack Webster P32, 2019, 2076     | 0.00  | 159.34  | 159.34  | 159.34  | 159.34  | 154.20    | 143.64  | 935.20   |  |
| Jack Webster                     | 0.00  | 324.28  | 241.00  | 268.24  | 252.12  | 151.87    | 115.59  | 1353.10  |  |
| Brion Egan 11                    | 0.00  | 0.00    | 53.18   | 103.50  | 53.50   | 39.69     | 0.00    | 249.87   |  |
| Argora Ranch 12                  | 0.00  | 77.50   | 58.94   | 44.68   | 46.50   | 45.00     | 10.00   | 282.62   |  |
| Taylor Ranch 8 rights            | 0.00  | 364.34  | 395.40  | 383.21  | 256.36  | 242.15    | 189.49  | 1830.95  |  |
| Thomas Eden P32, 7009, 7010, 2   | 0.00  | 181.00  | 198.20  | 143.88  | 109.74  | 106.20    | 86.40   | 825.42   |  |
| Brion Egan 9A-13A                | 0.00  | 0.00    | 24.84   | 51.54   | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 76.38    |  |
| Don Key                          | 0.00  | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 0.00     |  |
| George Whittaker P11819, 7, 8    | 0.00  | 62.00   | 62.00   | 28.00   | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 152.00   |  |
| Medicine Lodge Ranches 27        | 0.00  | 124.00  | 118.00  | 61.00   | 14.00   | 0.00      | 41.00   | 358.00   |  |
| Medicine Lodge Ranches (May)     | 0.00  | 72.00   | 87.00   | 28.00   | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 187.00   |  |
| Argora Ranch 17                  | 0.00  | 186.00  | 254.00  | 63.00   | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 503.00   |  |
| Dean Shenton 1, 16               | 0.00  | 0.00    | 28.80   | 6.81    | 26.91   | 9.62      | 0.00    | 72.14    |  |
| Lee Small P2051, 20, 30          | 0.00  | 39.37   | 33.46   | 2.64    | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 75.47    |  |
| Medicine Lodge Ranches (tarpley  | 0.00  | 41.60   | 99.20   | 16.00   | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 156.80   |  |
| Medicine Lodge Ranches (whittak  | 0.00  | 57.60   | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 57.60    |  |
| Dusty & Susie Shifflett          | 0.00  | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 0.00     |  |
| Medicine Lodge Ranches (stelzer) | 0.00  | 50.40   | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 50.40    |  |
| Medicine Lodge cattle 2053,55    | 0.00  | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 0.00     |  |
| Medicine Lodge Grazing 7038      | 0.00  | 78.80   | 85.20   | 33.00   | 0.00    | 0.00      | 35.00   | 232.00   |  |
| Egan Land & Cattle 7098          | 0.00  | 55.60   | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00    | 0.00      | 0.00    | 55.60    |  |
| 24-hour Sec. Ft. Totals:         | 0.00  | 2759.15 | 2868.98 | 2330.47 | 1761.23 | 1440.44   | 1172.29 | 12332.56 |  |

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Water Dist.: 32-C Year: 2006 Watermaster's Report

| Water User                       | Total<br>24-hour<br>Sec. Feet | Total<br>Cost    | Adopted<br>Budget | Credit     | Debit        |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| Lee Small P2051, 20, 30          | 589.78                        | \$795.56         | \$1,333.46        | \$537.90   |              |
| Kyle, Tod, John 4                | 146.20                        | \$197.21         | \$393.70          | \$196.49   |              |
| Middle Creek Ranch 4             | 450.63                        | \$607.86         | \$1,192.44        | \$584.58   |              |
| Grant Ashcraft 13                | 862.05                        | \$1,162.83       | \$1,049.66        |            | (\$113.17)   |
| Thomas Edan 19                   | 368.90                        | <b>\$4</b> 97.61 | \$487.12          |            | (\$10.49)    |
| Dean Shenton 4A                  | 935.63                        | \$1,262.08       | \$1,915.95        | \$653.87   |              |
| Gerald Holmes 4B                 | 327.76                        | \$442.12         | \$534.57          | \$92.45    |              |
| Brion Egan 4-B                   | 610.72                        | \$823.80         | \$988.23          | \$164.43   |              |
| Egan Land and Cattle 9,14        | 80.00                         | \$107.91         | \$102.41          |            | (\$5.50)     |
| Egan Land and Cattle             | 562.94                        | \$759.35         | \$1,202.06        | \$442.71   |              |
| Jack Webster P32, 2019, 2076     | 935.20                        | \$1,261.50       | \$1,929.29        | \$667.79   |              |
| Jack Webster                     | 1353.10                       | \$1,825.21       | \$2,077.51        | \$252.30   |              |
| Brion Egan 11                    | 249.87                        | \$337.05         | \$443.88          | \$106.83   |              |
| Argora Ranch 12                  | 282.62                        | \$381.23         | \$604.38          | \$223.15   |              |
| Taylor Ranch 9rights             | 1830.95                       | \$2,469.78       | \$3,087.93        | \$618.15   |              |
| Thomas Eden P32, 7009, 7010, 2   | 825.42                        | \$1,113.42       | \$952.89          |            | (\$160.53)   |
| Brion Egan 9A-13A                | 76.38                         | \$103.03         | \$112.78          | \$9.75     |              |
| Don Key                          | 0.00                          | \$0.00           | \$2.79            | \$2.79     |              |
| George Whittaker P11819, 7, 8    | 152.00                        | \$205.03         | \$69.47           |            | (\$135.56)   |
| Medicine Lodge Ranches 27        | 358.00                        | \$482.91         | \$146.57          |            | (\$336.34)   |
| Medicine Lodge Ranches (May)     | 187.00                        | \$252.25         | \$149.92          |            | (\$102.33)   |
| Argora Ranch 17                  | 503.00                        | \$678.50         | \$149.09          |            | (\$529.41)   |
| Dean Shenton 1, 16               | 72.14                         | \$97.31          | \$43.61           |            | (\$53.70)    |
| Lee Small P2051, 20, 30          | 75.47                         | \$101.80         | \$22.69           |            | (\$79.11)    |
| Medicine Lodge Ranches (tarpley) | 156.80                        | \$211.51         | \$33.56           |            | (\$177.95)   |
| Medicine lodge Ranches           | 57.60                         | \$77.70          | \$0.00            |            | (\$77.70)    |
| Dusty & Susie Shifflett          | 0.00                          | \$0.00           | \$49.66           | \$49.66    |              |
| Medicine Lodge Ranches (stelzer  | 50.40                         | \$67.98          | \$0.00            |            | (\$67.98)    |
| Medicine Lodge Cattle            | 0.00                          | \$0.00           | \$0.00            |            |              |
| Medicine Lodge Grazing           | 232.00                        | \$312.95         | \$74.38           |            | (\$238.57)   |
| Egan Land and Cattle             | 55.60                         | \$75.00          | \$0.00            |            | (\$75.00)    |
| Totals:                          | 12388.16                      | \$16,710.48      | \$19,150.00       | \$4,602.85 | (\$2,163.33) |

| Water Dist.: | 32-C | Year:                     | 2006               |          | Watermaster's Report            |             |  |
|--------------|------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------|---------------------------------|-------------|--|
|              |      | Total Salary of Water     | ermaster:          |          |                                 |             |  |
|              |      |                           |                    | hours at | per hour                        |             |  |
|              |      | OR                        | per season amount: |          | \$1,800.00<br>Total for season: | \$1,800.00  |  |
|              |      | Total Salary of Assi      | stant Watermaster: |          |                                 |             |  |
|              |      |                           |                    | hours at | per hour                        |             |  |
|              |      | OR                        | per season amount: | :        | \$5,600.00<br>Total for season: | \$5,600.00  |  |
|              | 0    | ther expenses charged pro | rata:              |          | \$9,310.48<br>Total for season: | \$9,310.48  |  |
|              |      |                           |                    |          | Total Cost:                     | \$16,710.48 |  |
|              |      |                           | 1.3549887          |          |                                 |             |  |

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#### **IDWR REPORT**

Ryan Madsen gave the report from the Idaho Department of Water Resourses.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Lee Small requested that the water be checked in the afternoons and not always in the morning because of lack of water during the heat of the day. The drought situation was discussed. Brock Egan made a motion to have a letter sent to the commissioners to act on the drought situation. Matt Hoggan, seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ryan Madsen wants a stream specialist to look at the creek between Ashcrafts and Smalls to see if something can be done to clear some of the debris from the creek.

Tod suggested that they attend a NRCS meeting to gain more information about the 319 Grant available that water users may be able to benefit from.

### MEETING TIME

Brock Egan moved that next year's meeting be held on Thursday, March 13th at 3:00 p.m., at the Clark County Annex Bldg. in Dubois, Idaho. Sid Brown, seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

| Lynn | Hoggan, | moved | to g | adjourn | the | meeting. | The | meeting | adjourned | at | 4:48 |
|------|---------|-------|------|---------|-----|----------|-----|---------|-----------|----|------|
|------|---------|-------|------|---------|-----|----------|-----|---------|-----------|----|------|

p.m.

Attest:

Tod Shenton

Chairman

Laurie Small Secretary