## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED	)	
CREATION OF A WATER DISTRICT IN	)	
THE BANNOCK CREEK DRAINAGE ARE	ZA )	NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
OF ADMINISTRATIVE BASIN 29	)	

The Director ("Director") of the Idaho Department of Water Resources ("IDWR") is authorized to divide the state into water districts for the purpose of distributing water among appropriators under the laws of the State of Idaho. Idaho Code § 42-604 provides authority for the Director to create, revise the boundaries of, or abolish a water district or combine two (2) or more water districts.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-604, that IDWR will conduct a public hearing regarding the proposed creation of a water district as follows:

## <u>PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED CREATION OF A WATER DISTRICT IN THE BANNOCK CREEK DRAINAGE AREA</u>

2:00 PM, February 12, 2013 at the American Falls Public Library 308 Roosevelt St, American Falls, ID

The authority to create water districts applies to those streams, or other water sources including ground water, for which the priorities of appropriation have been adjudicated by court decree. During a water rights adjudication, Idaho Code § 42-1417 authorizes the district court to approve interim administration of the rights by the Director if reasonably necessary to protect senior rights. The district court may permit the distribution of water pursuant to chapter 6, title 42, Idaho Code, in accordance with partial decrees entered by the court or in accordance with water rights recommended by the Director to the court (Director's Report) as may be modified by the court's order.

On December 19, 2012, the Snake River Basin Adjudication ("SRBA") District Court issued an order authorizing the Director to distribute water pursuant to chapter 6, title 42, Idaho Code, in accordance with the Director's Reports and partial decrees that have superseded the Director's Reports within the Bannock Creek drainage area of Administrative Basin 29. A copy of the order is posted on the Department's website: <a href="http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/WaterManagement/WaterDistricts/BannockCreek/default.htm">http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/WaterManagement/WaterDistricts/BannockCreek/default.htm</a>

The Director proposes to create a water district for the Bannock Creek drainage area in Administrative Basin 29 as shown on the attached map. The proposed water district shall include surface water rights from Bannock Creek and tributaries of Bannock Creek, and all ground water rights within the Bannock Creek drainage area except for ground water domestic and stock water rights as defined under Idaho Code §§ 42-111 and 42-1401A (11) and ground water rights within the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (ESPA)<sup>1</sup>. While the proposed water district boundary overlaps the boundary of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, the administration of Tribal and Fort Hall Project water rights within the water district will occur as provided in the 1990 Fort Hall Indian Water Rights Agreement and as decreed by the Snake River Basin Adjudication District Court in its Partial

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ground water rights within the ESPA are included in Water District No. 120, except Tribal and Fort Hall Project ground water rights and ground water domestic and stock water rights as defined under Idaho Code §§ 42-111 and 42-1401A(11).

Final Consent Decree Determining the Rights of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes to the Use of Water in the Upper Snake River Basin. These documents may be obtained using the IDWR website link provided above.

The new water district is required in order to properly administer the water uses and water rights within the Bannock Creek drainage area. The water district is also needed to facilitate the measurement and reporting of water use diversions.

Upon creation of the water district, a meeting of the holders of water rights in the district will be held for the purpose of electing a watermaster and advisory committee.

Information and testimony presented at the hearing on February 12, 2013 will create a record upon which the Director will rely to determine whether formation of the proposed water district is appropriate. It is important that holders of water rights understand the proposed action and participate in the hearing process. Tim Luke, IDWR Water Compliance Bureau Chief, will serve as the hearing officer. Persons attending the hearing will be provided an opportunity to make an oral presentation regarding the proposed action. Written comments may be submitted to the hearing officer at the hearing or at any time prior to the close of the written comment period on February 22, 2013. Written comments not presented at the hearing should be sent to the Director, Department of Water Resources, PO Box 83720, Boise, Idaho, 83720-0098.

IDWR will present information at the hearing about why it is proposing creation of the water district, a time frame for district formation and operation, and proposed water measurement requirements. The hearing will be held in accordance with IDWR's Rules of Procedures (IDAPA 37.01.01). These rules may be viewed at the Idaho Department of Administration's website as follows: <a href="http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/0101.pdf">http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/0101.pdf</a>

The hearing will be conducted in a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Should you require special accommodations in order to attend, participate in, or understand the hearing, please contact IDWR at least five days prior to the hearing.

This notice of hearing has been sent to all water right holders of record in the Bannock Creek drainage area except ground water domestic and stock water rights defined under Idaho Code §§ 42-111 and 42-1401A (11).

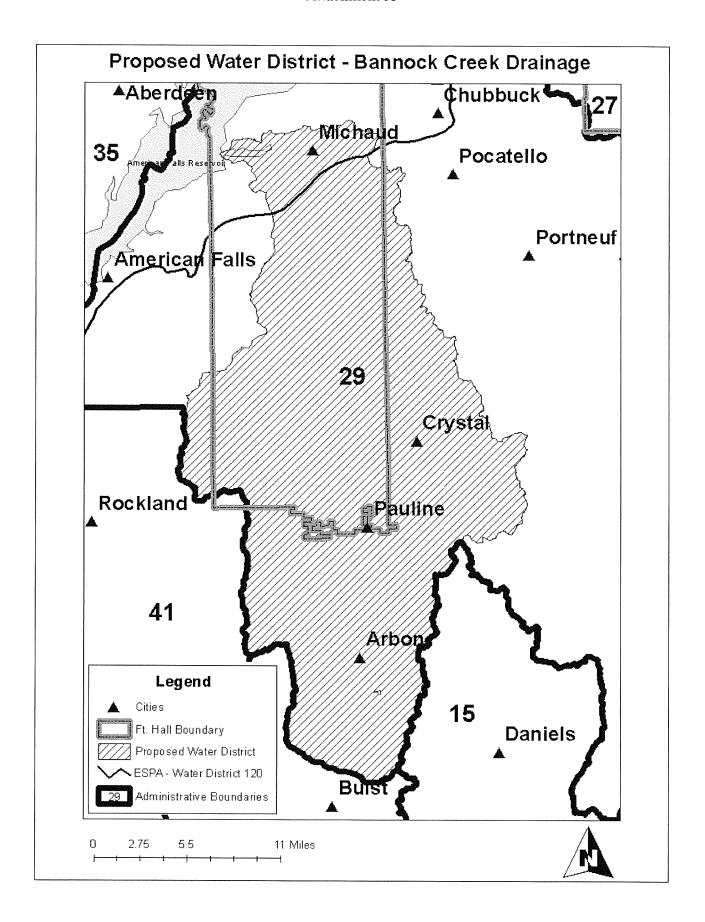
If you have questions concerning this notice, please call the IDWR State Office at (208) 287-4800. You can also contact the Department's regional office in Idaho Falls at (208)525-7161.

DATED this 28 day of January, 2013

Gary Spackman

Director

## Attachment A



## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2013, the above and foregoing document was served on each individual or entity on the service list for this matter on file at the Idaho Department of Water Resources, 322 East Front Street, Boise, Idaho. Each individual or entity on the service list was served by placing a copy of the above and foregoing document in the United States mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed.

Documents served: Notice of Public Hearing in the Matter of the Proposed Creation of a Water District in the Bannock Creek Drainage Area of Administrative Basin 29

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