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Department of Water Resources  
Eastern Region

Rodney Boam

being duly sworn,

deposes and says:

That he is the Editor of THE PRESTON CITIZEN, a weekly newspaper published at Preston, in the County of Franklin and State of Idaho; that said paper has been and is in general circulation in the county aforesaid, and in the vicinity of Preston; that the advertisement, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in said

newspaper once a week for two consecutive weeks in the regular and entire issue of said paper during the period of time of publication, and was published in the newspaper proper and not a supplement; that said paper has been established and regularly published for more than seventy-eight consecutive weeks prior to the date of first publication of said advertisement.

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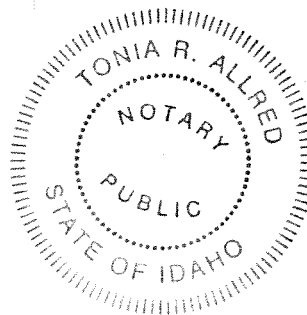
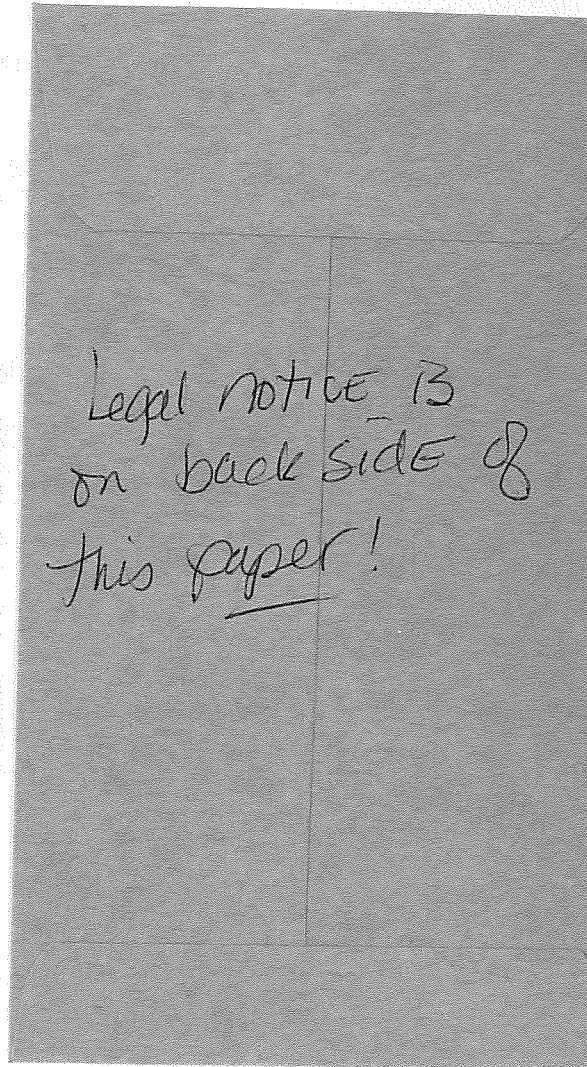
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18 day

of July, 2014.

Tonia R. Allred

Notary Public, Residing at Preston, Idaho

My Commission Expires February 7, 2015.



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING IN THE MATTER OF  
THE PROPOSED COMBINATION OF WATER DISTRICTS  
13L AND 13M AND EXPANSION TO INCLUDE STOCKTON CREEK**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-604, that the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) will conduct a public hearing regarding the proposed combination of Water District 13L (Battle Creek) and Water District 13M (Cottonwood Creek) and the expansion of the boundary of the combined water districts to include the Stockton Creek drainage. The public hearing will be held at: **1:00 pm, July 30, 2014, Franklin County Ag Extension Office, 561 West Oneida, Preston, ID 83263**

IDWR proposes to revise the boundary of Water District 13M to include the Battle Creek drainage and Stockton Creek drainage. All water rights in the revised water district boundary shall be distributed in accordance with water rights on record at IDWR. The proposed water district will be identified as Water District 13M. Certain water rights diverted from Cottonwood Creek are injected into and commingled with water in the Battle Creek drainage and the Stockton Creek drainage. Battle, Cottonwood and Stockton Creeks and their tributaries should be combined into a single water district to provide for proper administration of the trans-basin diversions. Revising the boundaries of Water District 13M to include Battle, Cottonwood and Stockton Creeks and their tributaries is necessary to properly administer the water uses and water rights in the three drainages.

Information and testimony presented at the public hearing described above will create a record upon which IDWR will rely to determine whether the proposed changes are appropriate. James Cefalo, IDWR, 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 August 11, 2014. Written comments not presented at the hearing should be sent to James Cefalo, Department of Water Resources, 900 North Skyline Drive, Suite A, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402.

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 (5) days prior to the hearing. The hearing will be held in accordance with IDWR's Rules of Procedures (IDAPA 37.01.01 <http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/0101.pdf> ). Questions concerning this notice may be directed to IDWR's state office (208) 287-4800 or Idaho Falls office at (208) 525-7161.

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