

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED)
COMBINATION OF WATER DISTRICTS 13L)
(BATTLE CREEK) AND 13M (COTTONWOOD) NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CREEK) AND THE EXPANSION OF THE)
COMBINED DISTRICT TO INCLUDE)
STOCKTON CREEK AND ITS TRIBUTARIES)

The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources (“Department”) 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 water districts, revise the boundaries of districts, abolish a water district, or combine two or more water districts.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-604, that the Department 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 district to include Stockton Creek and its tributaries (or the Stockton Creek drainage). The proposed water district will be identified as Water District 13M. The public hearing will be held as follows:

**Idaho Department of Water Resources
Public Hearing for Proposed Combination of
WD 13L (Battle Cr.) and WD 13M (Cottonwood Cr.) and
Expansion to Include Stockton Cr. and Tributaries**

**1:00 pm, July 30, 2014
Franklin County Ag Extension Office
561 West Oneida, Preston, ID 83263**

Water District 13L currently includes Battle Creek and its tributaries. Battle Creek flows into the Bear River approximately three miles to the northeast of Preston. Water District 13M currently includes Cottonwood Creek and its tributaries. Cottonwood Creek flows into the Bear River near the Oneida Narrows, approximately twelve miles north of Preston. Stockton Creek drains a relatively small watershed along the southwest portion of the Cottonwood Creek drainage and is tributary to the Oxford Slough near Swan Lake.

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 Creek, Cottonwood Creek and Stockton Creek 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 Creek, Cottonwood Creek and Stockton Creek and their tributaries is necessary to properly administer the water uses and water rights in the three drainages.

The Director proposes to revise the boundary of Water District 13M to include the Battle Creek drainage and Stockton Creek drainage as shown on the attached map. All water rights in the revised water district boundary shall be distributed in accordance with water rights on record at the Department.

Information and testimony presented at the public hearing described above will create a record upon which the Director will rely to determine whether the proposed changes are appropriate. It is important that holders of water rights understand the proposed action and participate in the hearing process. James Cefalo, the Program Manager for the Eastern Region office, 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.

IDWR will present additional information at the hearing about the basis for the proposed water district changes. The hearing will be held in accordance with IDWR's Rules of Procedures (IDAPA 37.01.01). These rules may be viewed at: <http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/0101.pdf>

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.

This notice of hearing has been sent to all water right holders of record within Water Districts 13L and 13M and all owners of record for water rights from Stockton Creek and tributaries.

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

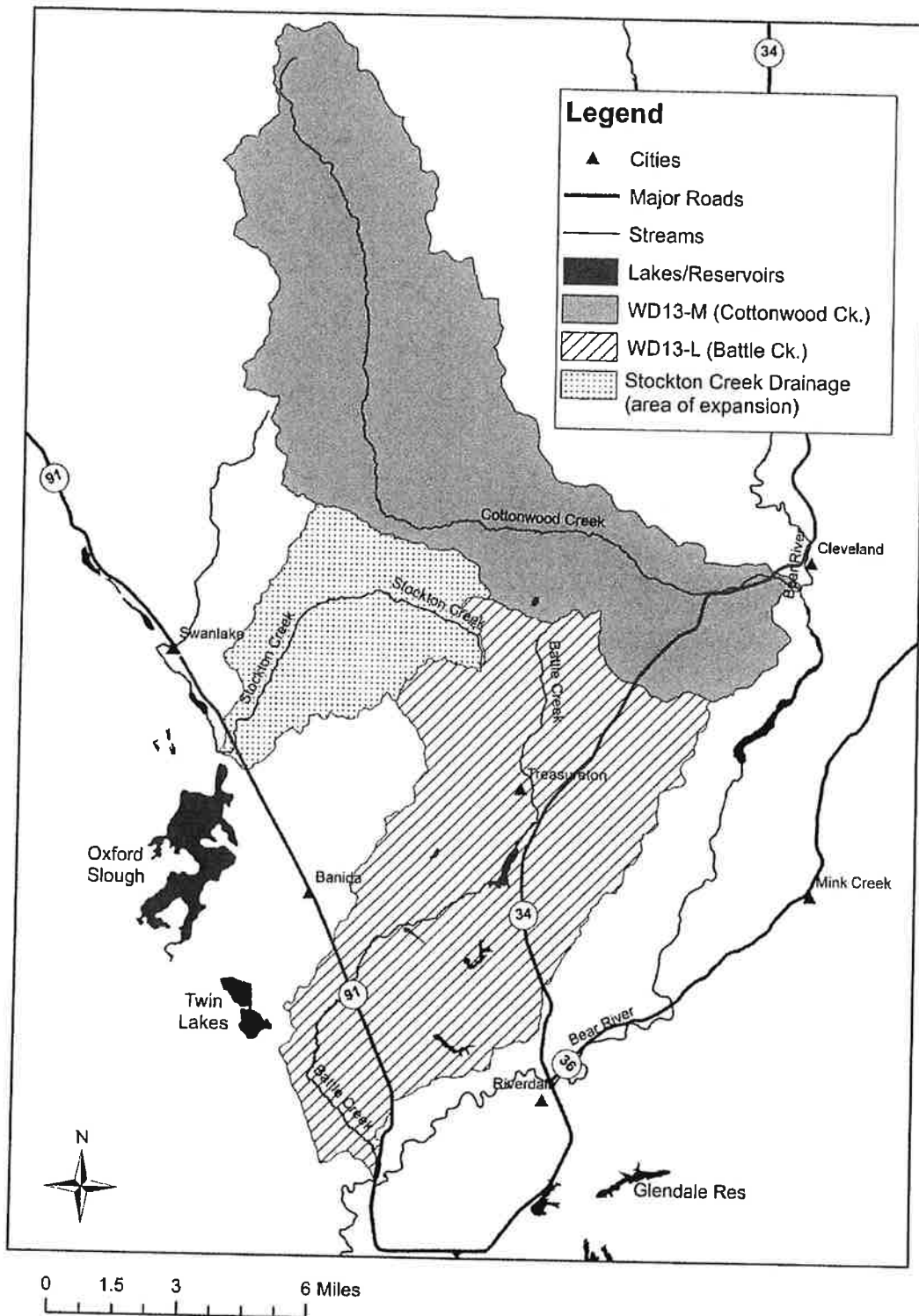
DATED this 7th day of July, 2014



Gary Spackman,
Director

Map Attachment

Proposed Combination & Expansion of Water Districts



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OwnerName	Lastname	StreetAddress1
ABBOTT RANCHES INC	ABBOTT RANCHES INC	33023 S STOCKTON RD
DEE L AND ETHELEEN ANDREASEN	ANDREASEN	STAR RT BOX 41
BARKER ROSHOLT & SIMPSON LLP	BARKER ROSHOLT & SIMPSON LLP	ATTN PAUL L ARRINGTON
BLAISDELL COTTONWOOD GRAZING CORP	BLAISDELL COTTONWOOD GRAZING CORP	3690 W 1000 N
JOHN T AND PHYLLIS A CARDIS	CARDIS	272 S LASKY DR UNIT 105
WENDELL FORSGREN	FORSGREN	PO BOX 78
MELVIN D FOSTER	FOSTER	1600 N 2300 W
ANN AND KEN HAKE	HAKE	PO BOX 234
HIGH DESERT ENTERPRISES LLC	HIGH DESERT ENTERPRISES LLC	2150 OLD HORNET RD
CHARLES L AND CLIFF D JOHNSON	JOHNSON	STAR RT BOX 22
ELDA JO ANN AND JOHN A KOFOED	KOFOED	RT 3 BOX 219
LUANA H AND LYNN H DAVIS REVOCABLE TRUST	LUANA H DAVIS REVOCABLE TRUST	7530 N HWY 91
MERRILL RANCH PARTNERSHIP LLC	MERRILL RANCH PARTNERSHIP LLC	C/O GLEN MERRILL MGR
MILLER FAMILY REAL ESTATE LLC	MILLER FAMILY REAL ESTATE LLC	9350 S 150 E STE 100
MILLER FAMILY REAL ESTATE LLC	MILLER FAMILY REAL ESTATE LLC	9350 SOUTH 150 EAST STE 1000
DE RALPH PERRY	PERRY	STAR RT
GEORGE COLE REEDER	REEDER	11509 N TREASURETON RD
JOHN L RENCHER	RENCHE	214 E 600 S
JOHN Q RICHES	RICHES	280 W CENTER ST
DAVID SANT	SANT	5735 WESTSIDE HWY
DALLAS W SCHUMANN	SCHUMANN	STAR RT BOX 32
OSCAR M SEAMONS	SEAMONS	RT 2
CHARLES H SHUMWAY	SHUMWAY	622 E 1500 N
BRAD SHUMWAY	SHUMWAY	9522 N TREASURETON RD
THEO L SMITH	SMITH	RT 2
WILLIAM R SPACKMAN	SPACKMAN	27A STAR RT
SPRING HOLLOW WATER ASSN INC	SPRING HOLLOW WATER ASSN INC	C/O ROBERT LINDHARDT
STRONGARM IRRIGATION DISTRICT	STRONGARM IRRIGATION DISTRICT	C/O JC HEDIN
STRONGARM RESERVOIR IRRIGATION DISTRICT	STRONGARM RESERVOIR IRR DIST	C/O MILES GEDDES
SUNNY B PROPERTIES LLC	SUNNY B PROPERTIES LLC	2665 W 4400 S
IVAN AND LAVERN TALBOT	TALBOT	2865 N HWY 91
TMT INC	TMT INC	6016 S RUBY RIDGE COVE
TREASURETON IRRIGATION CO	TREASURETON IRRIGATION CO	3815 N 1600 W
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH	US BLM	BLM
TOMMY C WADDOUPS	WADDOUPS	6 TAMARACK CT
ROBERT S AND TODD B WORKMAN	WORKMAN	4489 N 1600 E

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StreetAddress2	City	ST	PostalCode	WaterRights
	SWAN LAKE	ID	83281	13-55 AND 13-56
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-4068
195 RIVER VISTA PL STE 204	TWIN FALLS	ID	83301-3029	13-885A, 13-886A, 13-887A AND 13-889C
	MALAD CITY	ID	83252-6583	13-870B, 13-872A AND 13-872B
	BEVERLY HILLS	CA	90212	13-7603
	THATCHER	ID	83283	13-7872
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-7597
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-7345
	COUNCIL	ID	83612	13-7570, 13-7571, 13-7573 AND 13-7574
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-4105
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-4143
	SMITHFIELD	UT	84335	13-865, 13-866, 13-867, 13-868, 13-869 AND 13-870A
PO BOX 22	SWANLAKE	ID	83281	13-57, 13-885B, 13-886B, 13-887B AND 13-889D
	SALT LAKE CITY	UT	84070	13-7127 AND 13-925
	SANDY	UT	84070	13-7754, 13-7897, 13-885A, 13-886A, 13-887A AND 13-889C
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-4005
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-4134
	FARMINGTON	UT	84025	13-4226
	SMITHFIELD	UT	84335	13-4027
	CLIFTON	ID	83228	13-932
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-4072
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-2123, 13-939 AND 13-940
	SHELLEY	ID	83274	13-934 AND 13-935
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-7605
	PRESTON	ID	83263	
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-7244
RT 3	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-4002
RT 3	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-4194
2806 W 7400N	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-2290, 13-2303 AND 13-2305
	WESTON	ID	83286	13-7873
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-4010 AND 13-7345
	SALT LAKE CITY	UT	84121	13-58
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-875 AND 13-876
1387 S VINNELL WAY	BOISE	ID	83709-1657	13-4286, 13-4287 AND 13-4288
	GARDEN VALLEY	ID	83622	13-871
	PRESTON	ID	83263	13-7749