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RE: Coeur d'Alene-Spokane River Basin Adjudication claim 97-8636 Violation of the Mandatory Permit Statute

Dear Claimants:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) is currently in the process of reviewing adjudication claims in your area. Initial review of your claim indicates the priority date claimed is in violation of the Mandatory Permit Statute for the water source and purpose of use claimed.

The permit system for establishing a water right became mandatory for uses developed from ground water after March 25, 1963 (except for domestic purposes as defined by Section 42-111, Idaho Code), and for uses developed from surface water after May 20, 1971 (except for watering stock directly from streams).

The priority date claimed indicates that use of water for the purposes claimed began after March 25, 1963, for ground water or after May 20, 1971, for surface water. Because a water right was not previously established under the permit system, an "Application for Permit" form should be filed instead of this claim. The adjudication claim fee you paid can be applied to the fee for the application for permit.

For your convenience, I am enclosing an Application for Permit form. Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any questions or concerns. You may contact me at sandra.thiel@idwr.idaho.gov or 208.287.4881.

Sincerely,

Sandra Thiel
Sr. Water Resource Agent
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Enclosures