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WATERMASTER'S ANNUAL REPORT

From: May 23, 20 22 To: Nov 29, 20 22

Water District No. 13T

Water District Name: Bancroft-Lund

Name of Watermaster: Craig Shuler

Mailing Address: 255 W 4TH S, Soda Springs Id - 83276

AFFIDAVIT OF WATERMASTER

As the appointed watermaster of water district no. 13T, I hereby certify that the information contained in this report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Watermaster signature

Date

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Pursuant to Section 42-606 Idaho Code, this Watermaster's Annual Report shall be filed prior to the end of the watermaster's appointment for the current year, and kept in the office of the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR). The Watermaster's Daily Diversion Records should be attached to this report if those records are not submitted electronically to IDWR.

December 30, 2022

Braig Shuler
255 W. 4th So. St.
Soda Springs, ID 83276

Dear Water users,

In 2022 I started measuring wells in the Bancroft-Sund water district on May 23, 2022. At this time irrigation was just starting to get underway. I was measuring the same seven wells I'd measured from 2016 thru 2022. All seven wells starting levels were down from the 2020 and 2021 seasons. If one averages the starting well water levels from 2020 and 2021, against the starting well water levels for 2022 one will find the 2022 water levels to be 18% lower than those in 2020 and 2021. The reason for this could be the open fall in 2021. The summer was hot and dry with little moisture until the winter snows set in just before Christmas; however, there was a freak snow storm on Columbus day that dropped 11" of snow. That would of probably contributed a little less than 1" of water. But above average temperatures and no moisture for another month may account for the lower starting well readings in May of 2022.

I would say even with the lower well levels for 2022 it was a pretty average year. I didn't hear of anyone having a crop failure. But a recharge of the aquifer is certainly in order. I don't think another 18% depletion of the ground water would bode well. At the writing of this report it appears that the

water outlook is good with the Bear River basin at 172% above normal for this time of year. The snows have come early and often. So if the snow continues to fall it appears that the 18% depletion will be made up and the 2023 season will have adequate ground water. The water outlook appears to be favorable for the upcoming irrigation season. We will really know when we take that first well reading in May.

I've listed my expenses while measuring the irrigation wells in the Bancroft-Lund water district for 2022.

Travel (4 wheelers & p.u.)	348 mi @ 61¢/mi	= \$212.28
Labor	31 1/2 hrs @ \$18.48/hr	= \$582.12
copies & postage		= \$6.24
		\$800.64

Best regards,

Craig Shuler

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Department of Water Resources Eastern Region Ground Water Level Measurement Program

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Site Number

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Holsten Well
A 000 4100
Site Number

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warren Lloyd
new well
Site Number

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Warren Lloyd
A0004116 old well
Site Number

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Keith Lloyd
A0004132
Site Number

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Sodd Hallbrook
1502 10 mi. pass road

[illegible]

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Reg Larsen well

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