MINUTES OF MEETING OF COMMITTEE OF NINE Ponderosa Inn, Burley, Idaho December 13, 1974 - 10:00 a.m.

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The Committee of Nine of Water District No. 1 met at the Ponderosa Inn Wat Burley, Idaho, on December 13, 1974. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Secretary Clifford Scoresby. Conduct of the meeting was relinquished to Chairman Leonard Graham upon his arrival later.

Committee of Nine members present were:

Water Resources

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Leonard Graham
Al Peters
Clifford Scoresby
Willis Walker
Kenneth Anderson

Reed Murdock Lynn Loosli Burdell Curtis Lester Saunders

Alternate members present: Clyde Greenwell.

Advisory members present: Carlos Randolph. Absent: Merle Kunz and William Kerner.

Others present:

Terry Gulley, USBR John Walker, USBR Robert Pittard, USBR Art Larson, Water Dist. 1

Also present were approximately 30 canal company managers and representatives of water users.

The report of the power loss committee was presented by Burdell Curtis.

Mr. Curtis moved the report be accepted. Motion seconded by Clyde Greenwell.

Motion carried.

Terry Gulley reviewed the 1974 reservoir and flood operations and the projected reservoir operations for 1975. Considering the excessive snow pack and the unseasonably hot weather in June of 1974, the recorded flow of almost 26,000 cfs at Heise was considered to have been handled satisfactorily. Heavy canal diversion and dry weather aided in relieving the situation. Reservoir carryover ended the season at high levels and no problems are anticipated in filling for the 1975 season.

Bob Pittard reviewed the major maintenance items of the past year which included erosion control on American Falls Reservoir, spillway maintenance at Palisades Dam, and numerous other maintenance jobs. Extensive repairs are required at Island Park Dam and Jackson Dam. These will be started this coming year.

Art Larson reviewed the 1974 river operations. He noted the water supply was plentiful, being equivalent to 1972, but below the record year of 1971. Outlook for stored water in 1975 is excellent.

Carlos Randolph reviewed operation and maintenance costs for 1974, as well as the estimated 1975 budget for the varous storage dams on the Minidoka Project.

John Walker spoke for Rod Vissia who was unable to attend. Mr. Walker noted that the Salmon Falls tract had finally received a definite plan with an initial allocation of \$50,000. The A & B Project is under consideration for an expansion. Construction on both Teton and Ririe Dams is continuing with completion due in the near future. Modernization of gates and controls on Minidoka and Jackson Dams is in the planning stage. The USBR has an emergency fund which has been used on numerous projects and could possibly be used on the American Falls Dam reconstruction. About one million dollars might be available from this source.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Following the business meeting, a no-host lunch was served in the Sawtooth Room.

Respectfully submitted.

Cliffori N. Scoresby, Secretary