MEMORANDUM

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FROM:

Steve Lester

DATE:

March 6, 2002

RE:

Annual Meeting for Porter Creek #65B

The annual meeting was held today at 11:00 in Horseshoe Bend. Attendance was good. Here is a summary of the meeting.

Chairman - Steve Dobson.

Secretary - Rene Hernandez for Don Rumsey.

Advisory Committee – Cliff Bledsoe, J. C. Fry, Lynn Gramkow.

Watermaster – Hank Berntsen reelected, same salary.

2001 Watermaster's report given verbally but not submitted in writing yet. No major problems although a few items need attention (measuring device on #4 etc.).

Budget – Current balance is about \$790. Should plan for about \$250-300 in workers comp. insurance. Watermaster report for 2001 indicates about \$720 plus mileage for total payment due to Hank (so about \$1000 or less for Hank for last year). Estimate about \$1000 for Hank in 2002 plus workers comp ... total budget to cover 2001 bill and projected 2002 bill is about \$2500. Estimate is probably high but should provide a cushion for the following year. Members adopted the \$2500 figure (\$1000 for 2001 and \$1500 for 2002).

Assessments – Members voted to assess each owner a minimum fee of \$50 this year to raise \$600. Balance of \$2500 to be assessed per 2001 water deliveries. This will restore financial health of the district.

Watermaster needs to complete and submit the 2001 Watermaster Report and the 2002 Proposed Budget as soon as possible to allow county assessments to be mailed. Payments to county are normally due by June 20 each year according to the members. This time frame will work well with expected calls for water delivery around early-mid July.

Next meeting – first Wednesday of March 2003, same time and place.

Other business:

- Annual meeting notices Some people did not receive notices apparently due to problems with data IDWR used for the SO mailing. Requested these additions/corrections to mailing list: add Hess 151 Porter Creek Rd., add Oliver at Eagle address (see SL's notes), add J. C. Fry PO Box 194 (J C is Jack's son), D R & J (was Double Diamond) Investments at 8973 W. State St., Boise 83703.
- BOR objections to SRBA recommendations settlement in underway, objection appears to address new approvals rather than rights decreed in the Payette Adjudication. Claimants will be notified of progress via SRBA mailings.
- #3 diversion Gramkow said intends to file transfer to correct the diversion point record.
- Dovel irrigation Several members asked about Dovel's residual irrigation after ownership split with Heffner. Want to know which acres Dovel can irrigate with \$6 & #7 priorities. Also asked about condition of the diversion point for those rights. I will follow up and send results to Dobson, Gramkow and Hess per request.
- Heffner power permit (was Dovel) 1984 priority but subordinate to all non-power uses so acts as most junior right.
- Heffner application 65-22633 pending, proposes Porter Creek water diverted in winter for storage in several small ponds.
- Ownership changes for #2 right Dobson will coordinate information with IDWR to make an ownership chart for subdivision covering part of #2 place of use. This will allow ownership changes to be completed and 65B records to be updated.
- I will follow up with Hank in next two weeks to make sure 2001 report and 2002 budget are completed. Hank and I will check diversions etc. in about six weeks to see if more follow up is needed before regulated deliveries start.

Meeting adjourned about 12:30.

Consider for 2003 meeting – my own mailing to remind users since some may not be on annual notice mailing list.