

**Proposed**  
**Lower Payette River**  
**TMDL Work Plan Outline**

LPRWAG Meeting - October 24, 1996

1. Set Goals & Objectives for Watershed - WAG, DEQ
  
2. WY '97 Monitoring
  - Drain Monitoring - IDA
  - Main Stem & Tributaries - DEQ
  
3. Assessment - DEQ
  - a) Compile Data
  - b) Assess Designated Beneficial Uses
  - c) Characterize Hydrology
  - d) Estimate River Loads
  - e) Estimate Source Loads
  - f) Estimate Allocatable Load
  
4. Develop Strawman TMDL - DEQ
  
5. Develop Wasteload Allocation - DEQ, WAG
  
6. Prepare Industry / Source Specific Plans - WAG
  
7. Develop Watershed Restoration Strategy & Schedule - DEQ, WAG
  
8. Final TMDL - DEQ

# NWRA 65th ANNUAL CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

(Subject to change. Please consult future issues of the National Waterline for program changes and updates.)

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11

9-10:30 a.m. Budget and Finance

10:30 a.m.-noon Municipal Caucus Executive Committee

Noon-7 p.m. Registration

Noon-3 p.m. Board of Directors

3-4:15 p.m. Committees/Task Forces

- Water Resources Management
- Drinking Water
- Energy Issues

4:30-6 p.m. GENERAL SESSION—Policy Briefing  
Prior to the State Caucuses first meeting the Association will conduct a briefing on the prospect for legislation, regulations and federal policy in 1997 as they relate to the Association's policies, goals and objectives.

6:30-8 p.m. Welcoming Reception

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

8-9:45 a.m. Opening Session Awards Breakfast

10-11:45 a.m. State Caucuses—Member States will individually approve the policy package for the 1997 legislative year.

1-2:30 p.m. PLENARY SESSION 1—Water for the 21st Century: A panel of regional Western water resources policy makers will explore potential conflicts over future water supply and management with an eye on solving tomorrow's problems today.

2:45-4:15 p.m. PLENARY SESSION 2  
New Partners—New Solutions: Panelists will consider cooperative local and regional agreements, new programs, and technological advancements that can play a role in providing a more secure and reliable water supply for the future.

4:30 p.m. Committees/Task Forces

- Endangered Species
- Reclamation/Irrigation Surface Water
- Groundwater

Note: Committee and Task Force meetings this year will be program oriented. Speakers will be invited to present their views and perspectives on issues and policy matters pertaining to each committee's jurisdiction.

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

7-8:45 a.m. Municipal Caucus Breakfast

9-10:15 a.m. PLENARY SESSION 3—Focus on Reclamation: A panel of agricultural water managers and professionals will examine regional problems facing irrigation districts and solutions that result in more reliable and efficient operations.

10:30-11:45 a.m. PLENARY SESSION 4  
Commissioner's Forum: Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner Eluid Martinez and his regional directors will respond to the "Focus on Reclamation" panel, report to the Association on BuRec initiatives and programs, and address questions from delegates.

1-2:30 p.m. Inside Washington: "Election '96"—Analysis and Outlook"  
A panel of political observers will examine the 1996 election results, discuss the political fallout and the potential impact on water and water-related issues.

3-5 p.m. Committees/Task Forces

- Water Quality
- Federal Facilities Transfer

6-7 p.m. President's Reception

7-11 p.m. All States Banquet

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14

7:30-8:15 a.m. Board of Directors

8:30-11:30 a.m. Workshops: The subject and content of workshops are currently being developed in coordination with NWRA's staff, caucuses and committees.

# The Payette River Watershed Council

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October 25, 1996

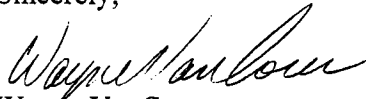
Mr. Wilbur "Brick" Andrew, Chairman  
Water District No. 65 Advisory Board  
102 N. Main  
Payette, Idaho 83661

Dear Brick:

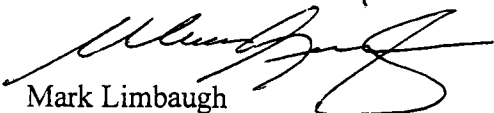
On Thursday, November 21, 1996, an organizational meeting of the Payette River Watershed Council will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the large conference room at the Idaho Department of Water Resources, 1301 N. Orchard St., in Boise. The Payette River Watershed Council is being formed to foster increased communication and cooperation among stakeholders who benefit from and recreate on the Payette River. The Council will provide a forum for the exchange of information and ideas to improve the river for present and future generations. We envision this Council will be in the forefront as more and more demands are placed on the limited water resources within the Payette River Basin.

Your involvement in facilitating this Council will be critical to its success. Please let one of us know if you cannot attend this meeting. We look forward to seeing you on November 21<sup>st</sup> in Boise.

Sincerely,



Wayne VanCour  
Cascade Reservoir Coordinating Council  
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Mark Limbaugh  
Water District No. 65, Payette River System  
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Department of Water Resources

WATER DISTRICT NO. 65-K  
1270 Eio Road  
McCall, Idaho 83638

September 21, 1996

Karl Dreher, Director, Idaho Dept. Water Resources  
1301 North Orchard  
Boise, Idaho 83706

Dear Mr. Dreher;

I write to you today on behalf of the Lake Irrigation District and Water District No. 65-K.

The purpose of this letter is to request that pursuant to the Idaho Code Section 42-1765 the Water Resource Board appoint the Water District Advisory Committee of District 65-K to facilitate the rental of stored water.

The purpose of this request is to allow the committee to enter into a lease or leases which will facilitate the " J-Ditch Project " here in Valley County. We have been working with employees of your department and several other state and federal agencies to accomplish the project and water leasing may be necessary for the project to work.

Please advise me if there are additional forms or information necessary to obtain Water Resource Board appointment as contemplated by Idaho Code Section 42-1765.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours;



Herald S. Nokes MD  
Secretary, Water District # 65-K  
President, Board of Directors, Lake Irrigation District

cc: James E. Risch  
✓ John Westra, Western Region IDWR



# United States Department of the Interior

## BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Snake River Area Office  
214 Broadway Avenue  
Boise, Idaho 83702-7298

IN REPLY REFER TO:

October 25, 1996

SRAO-6410  
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Mr. Mark Limbaugh  
Watermaster  
Water District 65  
102 N Main  
Payette, Idaho 83661

Subject: Cascade Reservoir Space Allocation

Dear Mr. <sup>Mark</sup> Limbaugh:

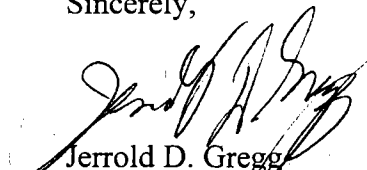
The storage space in Cascade Reservoir must be reapportioned to conform to the September 1995 Area and Capacity tables published for the reservoir, and in accordance with the repayment contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and the various irrigation districts with storage contracts in Cascade Reservoir. The new tables are the result of the resurvey of the reservoir.

The active capacity of the reservoir is the volume between elevation 4787.50 and the full pool elevation of 4,828.00. This volume is now determined to be 636,003 acre feet. This space has been allocated among the various spaceholders, including the uncontracted space, according to the percentages specified in the respective repayment contracts.

A table is enclosed which shows the contract entitlement for each spaceholder, the storage volume of the respective spaceholder under the old area and capacity table, and the revised space apportioned to each spaceholder based on the new area and capacity table.

If you have any questions regarding these computations, please contact Rick Wells at 334-9078.

Sincerely,



Jerrold D. Gregg  
Area Manager

Enclosure

# Cascade Reservoir Storage

SPACEHOLDERS	CONTRACT NO.	PERCENT	RESERVOIR Former	SPACE Revised
Black Canyon I.D.				
Preferred space 1/	14-06-W-70	19.23	125,608	122,303
Remaining space		21.90	115,540	112,500
Emmett I.D.	9-07-10-W0757	1.905	10,050	9,786
	14-06-100-827			
Farmers Coop Irrg Co	14-06-100-2526	3.81	20,101	19,572
	5-07-10-W0590	3.562	18,792	18,298
Lower Payette Ditch Co	14-06-100-2319	1.905	10,050	9,786
Noble Ditch Co	5-07-10-W0537	1.905	10,050	9,786
<b>Cascade Small Contractors</b>				
Canaday, Michael	14-07-10-W0515	0.092	485	473
Cofield, Dewey	5-07-10-W0544	0.0032	17	16
Davison, David	8-07-10-W0200	0.0005	3	3
Edwards, Charles	14-06-100-1949	0.30	1,583	1,541
M.C. Shelley Family Trust	14-06-100-7761	0.120	633	616
Lowe, Michael	8-07-10-W0727	0.008	42	41
McConnel, Alva L.	14-06-100-6425	0.122	644	627
Reay, David	0-07-10-W0800	0.004	21	21
Snyder, Marion	14-06-100-6002	0.012	63	62
<b>Uncontracted Space USBR</b>			339,508	330,572
<b>Totals</b>			<b>653,190</b>	<b>636,003</b>

1/ Black Canyon Irrigation District is entitled to a preferred space in Cascade Reservoir, which is defined as 19.23% of the active capacity of the reservoir. The active capacity of Cascade Reservoir is 636,003 acre-feet, therefore, the preferred space is 122,303 acre-feet (19.23% x 636,003). The remaining space, 80.77% of the active capacity (513,700 acre-feet), is divided among the other spaceholders, including Reclamation's uncontracted space.

*fills first*

*Revised =  
Election 11/96  
allocated storage  
space*

*BAR (Terry Gregg)*

## **WATER DISTRICT NO. 65**

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October 30, 1996

### **WATER PRICING COMMITTEE MEETING**

A meeting of the Water District Water Pricing Committee was held on October 30, 1996, in the Water District offices in Payette at 7:00 p.m.. Present were members of the committee, Bob Henggeler, Wilbur "Brick" Andrew, and Keith Standley, Mark Limbaugh (Watermaster), and representatives from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Jerry Gregg, Rich Rigby, and Rick Wells.

Mark reviewed the 1996 Rental Pool operations with the group, which is attached to these minutes. The group then reviewed a copy of the amendment to the Water District No. 01 Rental Pool Procedures adopted by the Committee of Nine (attached). Jerry Gregg explained how that amendment and water price was arrived at with Water District 01. In a dry year, it was explained, the price of water would be about \$25 per acre foot, but in a good water year, the value of water would be \$0 per acre foot. The USBR rents about 250,000 acre feet of salmon water from the Upper Snake annually, so it was agreed to set the out of basin price at \$10.50 per acre foot for the next four years, \$7.00 to the Lessor, \$0.75 to the Water District, \$0.70 to the Idaho Water Resource Board, and \$2.05 to be held in trust by the District for the purpose of securing up to 250,000 acre feet of rental water in 1997, 1998, or 1999 if a higher price is required to meet the USBR requirements in one or more of those years. Should these funds not be needed to secure the salmon water for the Bureau, then the funds will revert to the Water District for general improvements of the District, such as stream gaging, automation and hydrologic investigations in Water District 01. In-basin rental is priced at \$2.95 per acre foot, with \$2.00 to the Lessor, \$0.75 to the Water District and \$0.20 to the IDWR Board. Last to fill requirements for any out of basin rentals are still in effect in Water District 01.

It was then brought up that Water District No. 65 was interested in raising the price of water to be rented out of basin from its current level of \$2.70, with a last to fill deposit of an additional \$2.70, which is refunded if the space fills the following year. Jerry asked the group if a level of \$5.40, with no provision for a refund if the space fills, would be a fair price. Jerry and Rich both stated that several factors would have to be addressed before any price was increased. Jerry asked that the District set the price for water as follows, to equal the \$5.40 per acre foot:

Price to Lessor	\$4.23/AF
WD65 Admin. Fee	.75/AF
IDWR Board Surcharge	.42/AF
<b>Total Price</b>	<b>\$5.40/AF</b>

Other considerations which need to be addressed were a change in the priority among lessors date, as well as a change in the priority of rental dates. Under Para 6.2 of the WD65 Rental Pool Procedures, the new date for priority leases would be June 1, instead of July 1 as the rules currently read. This means that water leased to the rental pool prior to June 1<sup>st</sup> would be rented first, and the lessors would share proportionally in the proceeds of those rentals. Any water leased to the pool after June 1<sup>st</sup> would be rented on a first come basis. As for changes in the priority of renters dates, under Para 7.2 of the Procedures, the date of July 1 for agricultural preference would remain the same; however, under Para 7.3, the July 15 date for other irrigation renters would change to July 1. This means that priority of rental would be given to all in-basin agricultural irrigation renters who paid for water prior to July 1, and after July 1, storage water could be rented out of basin on a first come basis, if the lessor so desired. It was discussed that in-basin rental prices might be set at \$2.95 per acre foot, identical to Water District 01.

Finally, a provision would be added to the Water District No. 65 Rental Pool Procedures which would recommend to lessors of storage water that any proceeds from the rental of their storage water should be spent on practices or structures which would improve general water management in the delivery of water to their users. Mark Limbaugh and Jerry Gregg indicated they would each write a paragraph which could be inserted into the current rules, and present the proposed wording changes to the Advisory Board for further review.

The meeting was then adjourned in order that the Water District Pricing Committee could discuss these recommendations further.

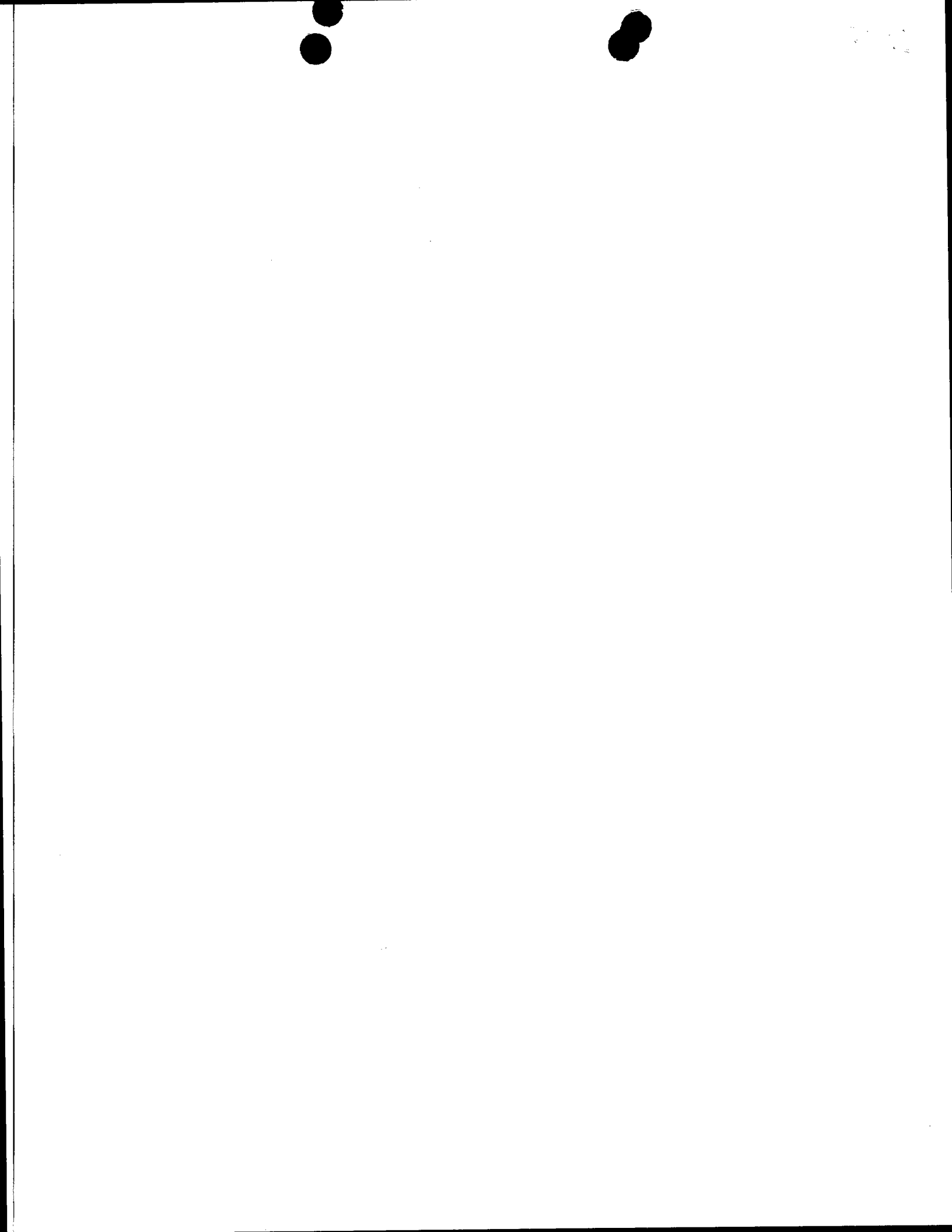
Respectfully Submitted,  
Mark Limbaugh, Watermaster



**Addendum to the end of Paragraph 8.2:**

"... The Local Committee recommends that any Lessors renting water for out of basin purposes through annual leases earmark proceeds received from these rentals for expenditures with the intent of improving the management and distribution of water to the end user."

↑ Still working out  
suitable language  
for BOR + WD 65



Steve ✓

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Should file 65 file?  
W.D. JFW

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November 8, 1996

PHILIP E. BATT  
GOVERNOR

KARL J. DREHER  
DIRECTOR

Herald S. Nokes, M.D.  
Secretary, Water District 65-K  
1270 Elo Road  
McCall, ID 83638

RE: RENTAL POOL REQUEST FOR WATER DISTRICT 65-K

Dear Mr. Nokes:

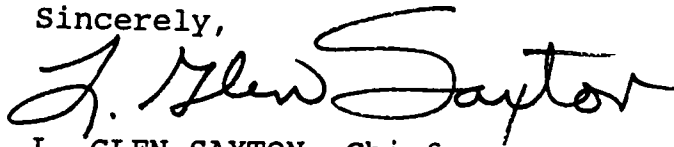
I have reviewed your letter dated September 21, 1996 together with a letter dated November 5, 1996, from Mark Limbaugh relative to the above referenced request. The department will try to present your request to the Idaho Water Resource Board (Board) at its December meeting in Boise.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Board's Water Supply Bank Rules. Note that Rule 40 on page 8 of the rules addresses the appointment of local committees. This rule also describes other requirements which you must meet. As a part of the requirements, you need to adopt rental pool procedures.

Enclosed for your consideration is a draft copy of rental pool procedures which you should review and change as appropriate to meet the specific needs of the district as well as to comply with the Water Supply Bank rules. I have patterned the draft rules after those used by the Payette River Rental Pool. Hence, the rules may contain provisions which are not applicable to District 65-K. Please revise as appropriate and return to me if you want me to make the changes for you. Note that you likely may want to change the fees described in Rule 8 of the draft procedures.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



L. GLEN SAXTON, Chief  
Water Allocation Bureau

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c: John Westra  
Water District # 65  
Wayne Haas

