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North Gem High school  
Bancroft Idaho 2002

## Bancroft- Lund water District 13-T

The water district meeting was called to order by Chairman Bart Christensen at 1:00 p.m.

Action I, it was moved by Don Rigby that the minuets be approved as read, seconded and passed.

Action II, it was moved by Stan Wistisen that the financial report be accepted, seconded and passed. The financial shows that the district has about \$2500.00 in monies, this would be enough to operate the district for one more year without assessing the users for more funds.

Cindy Bird of the IWR handed out a chart of the water level of the Holstin well, this is an unused well in the center of the wells in the 13 basin.

Action III: Gorden Yost moved that a water master be hired for the up coming summer, seconded and passed.

Discussion was held on the Soda Dam site and the need to renew the permit application, the group wanted this to move forward.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Present:

Don Rigby  
Stan Wistisen  
Gorden Yost  
Bart Christensen  
Cindt Bird IDWR

Warren Lloyd  
Monte Yost  
Chad Neibaur  
Dale Wistisen

Attached 2001 watermaster report.

Additional Monies Spent;  
\$300.00 workers comp. Insurance  
\$500.00 Dale Wistisen Sec/ Treasure.

November 23, 2001

Dear Water Users:

The irrigation season for 2001 started with the monitoring of wells in the Bancroft-Lund area on May 11, 2001. This was almost a month earlier than last year. The control well on the Holsten property was 3.72 feet lower at the start of the 2001 season than it was at the end of the 2000 season in November.

The 1<sup>st</sup> of June, I noticed that the pivot on Section 19 was watering the entire field. The field belonged to Gem Valley Farms and had been leased to Phil Yost. The field on the southeast was not to be watered. I contacted Bart Christensen and we checked out the field together. We concluded that Gem Valley was in violation. I contacted the Idaho Department of Water Resources who issued a violation letter.

I continued to take measurements, and in late June was informed of two temporary change applications regarding the Stanton Well and Deep Well, on behalf of Gem Valley Farms. Earlier I had installed a lock on the valve controlling the supply line east of the Stanton Well. About the 5<sup>th</sup> of July, I was told the lock on the Stanton Well could be removed, but the permission to re-link the Deep Well to the Hansen Well had been denied.

I watched the Hansen pivot, the Rosdahl pivot, the Mini pivot, the pivot east of the Central Cemetery, and also the pivot south of the Hansen pivot. At various times, I saw four out of the five pivots running simultaneously and concluded that the Deep Well was probably supplementing these other pivots. My suspicions were confirmed on July 10, 2001 when Tim Luke found the main lines between the Deep Well and the Hansen Well had been reconnected on the assumption by Gem Valley Farms that the temporary change would be approved. However, the converse was true, and the change for the Deep Well had been denied on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, Gem Valley Farms was issued a notice of violation for violating its water rights and the conditions of transfer #5545.

I continued to record water levels on the six assigned wells and to maintain the automated recorder on the Holsten well. During this time period I noticed that the Stoddard Well was only running one pivot and that water level readings were over 100 feet in depth. In all, water levels were as low as I've seen in three years, but somehow the users were able to get by. We concluded the 2001 season on November 18<sup>th</sup> by taking readings on all wells except the Don Rigby Well, and removing the automated recorder from the Holsten well.

Below is an itemized billing of time, travel and telephone charges incurred while monitoring the Bancroft-Lund water district during 2001:

Travel (truck, car, and 4-wheeler):	1,027.2@.40/min	= 410.88
Labor	58 hours	= 594.50
Telephone		= 33.98
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1039.36</b>

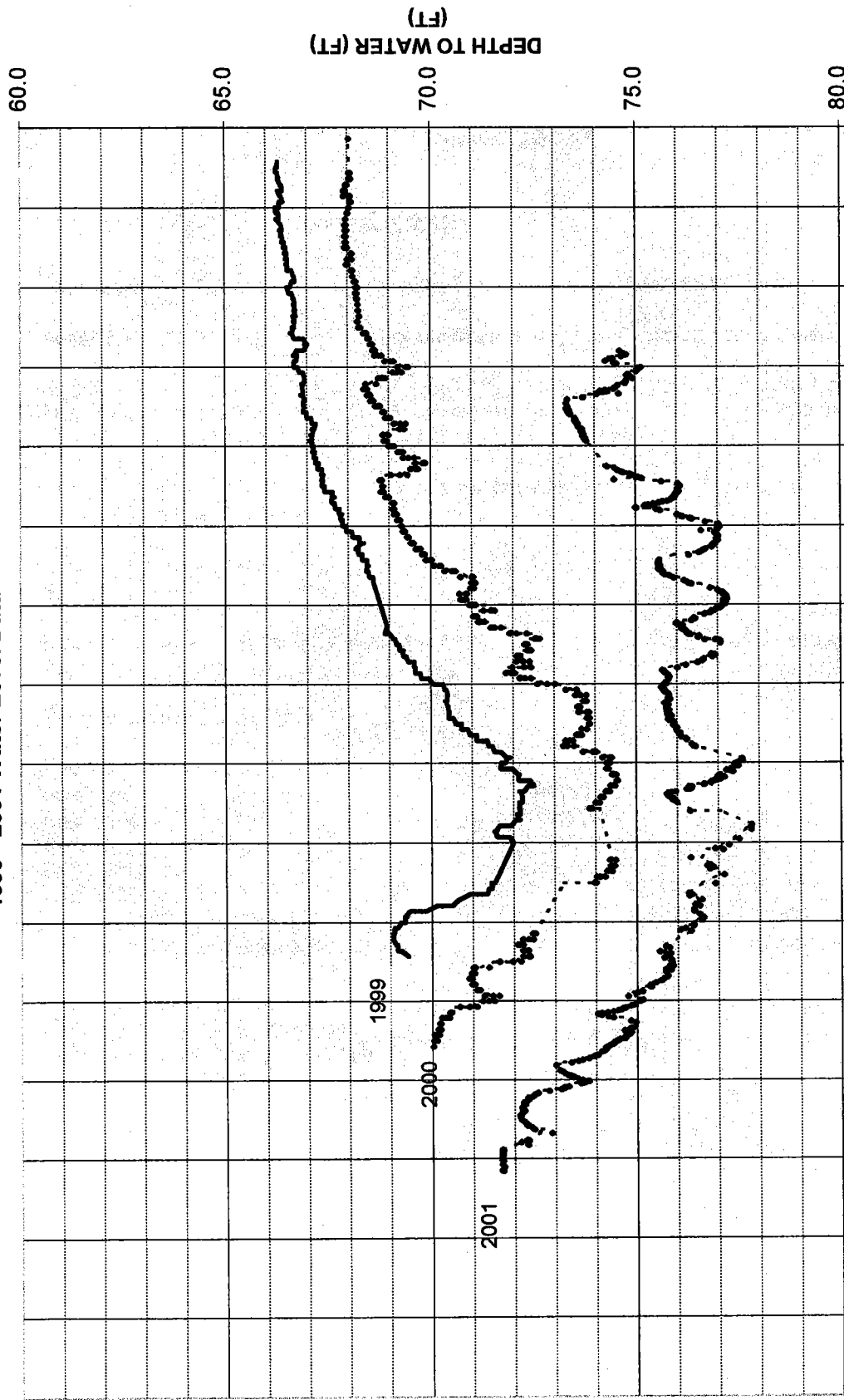
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Sincerely,

Craig Shuler

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**Bancroft-Lund - Holsten Observation Well**  
A0004100 - T09S, R39E, SEC24, SWSENE  
1999 - 2001 Water Level Data



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