



State of Idaho  
**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**  
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DIRECTOR

December 26, 1996

Verl S. Okelberry  
1401 S 600 W  
Oakley, ID  
83346

Water District: 45-K, Cottonwood Creek

Dear Mr. Okelberry;

We have received your 1996 watermaster's report, 3 daily record books, and your 1997 proposed budget. The report is hereby approved, and a copy of the approval page is enclosed. A separate copy of the approved report will be sent to the Cassia County treasurer.

The proposed budget form is not filled out correctly in Column #8 (adjusted billing). In this column, the estimated billing is to be adjusted for the debit or credit from the previous year. A debit would be added to the estimated-billing amount to get the actual amount of the bill that will be sent to that water user, while a credit would be subtracted from the estimated billing. Since this budget is mainly for the internal use of the district, however, I am not returning the form to you for correction.

Adopted-budget forms will be sent to the secretary of your district for use at next month's water meeting.

Regards,

James E. Stanton  
Sr. Water Resource Agent



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Cassia County Auditor  
County Courthouse  
Burley, ID  
83318

Water District: 45-K, Cottonwood Creek

Dear Sir;

Enclosed is an approved copy of the 1996 watermaster's report for the above-referenced district. Please make the necessary collections to or payments from district funds.

Sincerely,

James E. Stanton  
Sr. Water Resource Agent

# WATERMASTER'S REPORT

RECEIVED

DEC 06 1996

Department of Water Resources  
Southern Region

From March 8, 1996 To July 21, 1996

Water District No. 45 K  
Name of Watermaster Verl S. Okelberry  
P.O. Address R# 1, Box 52, 1401 S. 600 W. Oakley Idaho 83346

## AFFIDAVIT OF WATERMASTER

STATE OF IDAHO            }  
                                      }  
COUNTY OF Cassia        }  
                                      } ss.

Verl S Okelberry, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Watermaster of Water District 45-K, having been lawfully appointed by Karl J. Dreher, Director, Idaho Department of Water Resources, and that the volumes of water, as stated in this report and prorated by him to the water right holders of the district are correct.

Verl S Okelberry  
(Deputy) Watermaster District No. 45-K

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 1996

Wynell Wickel  
Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission expires 2-23-2001

Boise, Idaho, 12-26, 1996

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that Verl S. Okelberry was lawfully appointed by me as Water Master of Water District No. 45-K, and that the information contained in this report, as herein sworn to, is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct.

Karl J. Dreher  
Director, Department of Water Resources

By J. E. Stanton

WATER RIGHT OWNER	IDWR WATER RIGHT IDENT No.	DIVERSION NAME / REMARKS
1 Byron Martin	435	
2 Fish + Game	438	
3 Harold Cranney + Sons Farm	448	
4 Del. Roy Milton	421	
5 Warm Creek Farms	453 - 456	
6 Arden Cranney	429	
7 Cranney Farms	433	
8 Picketts Sheep + Ranch	432 + 435	
9 Vaughn + Paul Woodhouse	516	
10 Oakley Canal Co.	517	
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Total Delivery in 24-Hour Sec. Feet	Total Cost		Adopted Budget		Credits		Debits		Cost Per 24-Hr. Sec. Ft. \$ <u>0.2841141</u>		
	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	\$	cts.			
411.	116.	77	62	26			54	51	Total No. Days of Watermaster		
1922.	526.	06	553	39	7	33			136 days at \$ 30 <sup>00</sup> per day	\$ 4090	00
1673.	475.	32	376	54			98	78	Total No. Days of Asst. Watermaster		
1187.	337	25	153	09			184	16	days at \$            per day	\$	
3283.	932	75	493	13			439	62	So. Sec. Other expenses charged pro rata	\$ 312	12
2100.	596	64	294	49			302	15	<b>TOTAL COST</b>	\$ 4392	12.
1585	450.	32	371	18			79	14	Total No. 24-Hour Sec. Feet Delivered	154	59
1308.	371	62	210	16			161	46	Cost per 24-Hour Sec. Feet Delivered	\$ 0.28411	41.
520.	147.	74	235	67	87	93					
1470.	47.	65	250	09			167	56			
15459.	4392.	12.	3000	00	95	26	1487	38			

## SECTION 42-606 IDAHO CODE

**REPORTS OF WATERMASTERS.** All watermasters shall make an annual report to the department of water resources prior to the expiration of the watermaster's appointment for the current year. This report shall show the total amount of water delivered by the watermaster during the preceding year, the amount delivered to each water user, the total expense of delivery and the apportionment of expenses among users and all debits and credits to be carried over to the following year. Such report shall also include records of stream flow the watermaster used or made in the process of distributing water supplies. The director may ask for other information deemed necessary in assuring proper distribution of water supplies within the district. The reports of watermasters to the department of water resources shall be filed and kept in the office of the department.

### **Instructions For Completing Annual Watermaster's Report**

This form has been developed to assist the watermaster in complying with some of the annual reporting requirements of Section 42-606, Idaho Code. The form provides for summary of the amount of water delivered by the watermaster to each user, the total expense of delivery and the apportionment of expenses among water users, including debits and credits. **Water distribution and hydrologic information including stream flow records, daily diversion data, water right information and water right priority cut summaries should be presented in a separate water distribution report.**

Complete this annual report form of delivery and costs as follows:

- 1) Enter water right holder name, corresponding IDWR water right number or numbers, and corresponding diversion name and/or remarks on page 2;
- 2) Enter the total amount of water delivered to each user as total 24-hour second feet under column 1, page 3. Total **24-hour second feet** is a flow rate expressed in terms of one day or 24 hours. For example, a continuous diversion of 2 cfs over 20 days would equal 40 24-hour second feet.
- 3) Under column 3, page 3, enter the amount of money assessed or billed to each user at the beginning of the year. The assessment may be found in the previous year's adopted budget report.
- 4) In the work space provided on the right hand side of page 3, add up total watermaster salary costs and expenses and enter as 'TOTAL COST'. Then divide this total cost by the total number of 24-hour second feet delivered (sum of column 1) to obtain the cost per 24 hour second feet delivered, or the unit cost factor.
- 5) Under column 2, page 3, multiply the unit cost factor (obtained in step number 4. above) by each user's total 24-hour second feet delivery in column 1 to obtain the total cost against each user.
- 6) For each user, subtract the total cost amount in column 2 from the adopted budget in column 3 and enter the difference either as a credit or debit (negative differences entered as debits, positive differences entered as credits).
- 7) Sign the report before a notary public and submit the original to the appropriate regional office of the Department of Water Resources. Retain one copy for the Water District.