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August 29, 1989

Doug Rosenkrance, Watermaster Route 1, Box 24 Mackay, ID 83251

Re: Water Management in the Big Lost River Basin

Dear Doug:

At the conclusion of the public meeting held earlier this month in Moore, I asked for an indication of the interest of those present in working toward improved management of Big Lost River surface and ground water resources. The response appeared to favor looking into conjunctive management or some other management approach. Based upon the positive community response, I am asking that community leaders meet with me to discuss the structuring of a committee to work with this department to determine the various needs of the water users and the public and to investigate management options to best meet these needs.

I will appreciate your meeting with me and those named on the enclosed mailing list at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 13, 1989 at the meeting room at Arco's Golden West Cafe. The principal reasons for the meeting are to consider which interest groups need to be represented on the committee and how a representative or representatives of the group should be selected. My desire is to develop a committee that includes all groups with significant interests and to have these groups represented by spokesperson who have the backing and confidence of their groups. A committee of this type will be the basis for positive recommendations that can be accepted and implemented within the community. Unless all interests and points of view are involved, the effort has little hope for success.

Again, the purpose of the meeting is to discuss formation of a committee and outline the activities which the committee is to undertake. I do no intend for the meeting to involve discussions of problems or to seek solutions to specific problems. Those tasks will be assigned for consideration of the committee that is formed.

The owners of the Golden West Cafe have asked that those attending the meeting park in the lot on the south side of the restaurant.

Sincerely yours,

R. KEITH HIGGINSON

Director

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