

Payette River Basin, State of Idaho

## Water District No 65

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### NOTICE OF ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

August 14, 2006

8:00 P.M.

WATER RESOURCES  
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Dear Advisory Board Member;

The Water District No. 65 Advisory Board will meet on **Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 P.M.** in the **Payette River Irrigation Office** located at 102 North Main Street in Payette Idaho. The following tentative agenda items will be considered during the meeting.

- ***Review to Approve July 11<sup>th</sup> Minutes***
- ***Review to Approve Financial Statement***
- ***Idaho Department of Water Resources***
  - ***Water Accounting & Reconciliation***
- ***Bureau of Reclamation***
  - ***Flow Augmentation Progress Report***
- ***"In Basin" Water Lease Update***
- ***Cooperation Request***
  - ***Special Operation for Dam Project***
- ***Stream Gage Cost Share Payment***
- ***Any other business to be brought before the board***

There will also be a Meeting of the Payette River Water Users Association, board of directors following the water district meeting. Members please find the meeting notice enclosed with this mailing.

Remember: **August 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 PM**, at the Payette River Irrigation Office.

Sincerely,



Ron Shurtleff

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**Regular Board Meeting**

**Date:** July 10, 2006  
**Time:** 8:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Payette River Irrigation Office, 102 N. Main, Payette, Idaho

**Attending:** Dennis Lammey, Norman Collinsworth, Dennis Heaps, Ricky York, C. Eugene Parks, Ron Mio, Joy Sisler, Dick Hamilton, Margaret Barber, Michael McEvoy, Dan Surmeier, Marc Shigeta, Chuck Pollock, and Jim Standley and Watermaster, Ron Shurtleff.

**Guests:** Mr. Jerrold Gregg, United States Bureau of Reclamation, Brian Sauer, Bureau of Reclamation and Miss Liz Robbins, Idaho Department of Water Resources

Chairman George McClelland and Vice-Chairman Dean Charters were both absent at tonight's meeting. The meeting was called to order by Secretary Dan Surmeier.

**Agenda:** Secretary Dan Surmeier asked for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. **Dennis Lammey moved, Jim Standley seconded that the agenda be accepted as presented. Passed.**

**Minutes:** The minutes of the regular May meeting had been mailed to the board members for their review along with their July meeting notice. There were no minutes for the month of June. Instead, we attended the Water District Tour on June 14, 2006. A copy of the tour's agenda is attached to these minutes. **Joy Sisler moved to approve the minutes for the May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, the motion was seconded by Dennis Lammey, and the motion carried.**

**Financial:** Secretary Dan Surmeier asked Ron Shurtleff to review the financial statement. Ron reported a checking account balance of \$1,313.17 and a saving balance in the State Treasury Fund of \$344,170.35. Ron reported that there is still a payable amount of \$68,041.29 for projects funded through the 2005 Cost Share Program that have not yet requested payment. He also pointed out that the Interest Expense of \$8,195.08 will be in the 2007 budget. We show a net income of -\$24,554.73. Secretary Dan Surmeier asked if there were any questions about the financial Statement. **Michael McEvoy moved to approve the Financial Statement as reported, Margaret Barber seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

**IDWR**

**Report:** Liz Robbins with the Idaho Department of Water Resources gave her report on the Water Accounting Reconciliation and the Natural Flow Comparison. She provided a chart showing the natural flow at Horseshoe Bend compared from 1999 – 2006. The Payette

River Stored Water Supply showed 841,711.0 accounted for storage and 42,934.7 unaccounted for storage for a total storage available of 884,645.7. There is currently 36,656.6 acre-feet passing Letha for Endangered species, and an evaporation of 4,213.0 which was charged to BOR for a Total Storage Used of 40,869.60. The Storage Based on Actual Reservoir Contents is 842,358.7 with an averaging error of -234.9. Liz stated that as of this date we are not on storage yet but the Reservoir was declared full on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. She also reported that the natural flow will drop within a week; we were on storage last year around July 7th.

**BOR Report:** Mr. Jerrold Gregg, Area Manager for the USBR updated the board on the 2006 Flow Augmentation rentals. He reported that he is 90% confident we will be able to provide the 57,000 and the 95,000 acre-feet. The Nez Perce Tribe can not contribute as much as they would like to, which is good news to us.

Mr. Gregg also discussed the "Managing for Excellence" an action plan for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century submitted by the Bureau of Reclamation. This plan outlines a process and timeframe for identifying and addressing the specific 21<sup>st</sup> Century challenges Reclamation must meet to fulfill its mission: managing, developing, and protecting water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public. Mr. Gregg is hoping that the smaller projects included in this plan are not forgotten and lost within the big projects. He stated that the big plan is to be better in the future than we are now and mentioned that a few of his key staff members are on these decision making teams, this may be of some help with getting our ideas across. There are tentatively two more public meetings scheduled and everyone is encouraged to submit written suggestions or ideas.

**Water Bank  
Leases:**

Ron Shurtleff reported on leases to the Local Rental Pool for the 2006 season. He stated that the USBR request for Out of Basin Flow Augmentation Rental is 55,000 acre-feet and he estimates a requirement for In Basin Rentals of about 5,500. The total for "Out of Basin" leased to date is 57,000 and the total "In Basin" is 6,000. The contracted storage space leased to Rental Pool is 63,000 along with the 95,000 acre-feet of USBR uncontracted storage assigned to Rental Pool. For a combined total of, 158,000 acre-feet leased or assigned to the local Rental Pool. Ron said that he expects the in basin usage to be much lower this year do to the extended time that natural flow will carry into the year.

**Reservoir  
Status:**

Ron Shurtleff then reported on the major storage reservoirs in the Boise and Payette River Basins. Using the Tea Cup diagram Ron reported the Payette River system is at 94% of capacity and the Boise River system is at 97% of capacity. Lake Lowell is currently at 78% full. Ron also provided graphs of Lake Cascade, Deadwood Reservoir showing the fill and draw down progress and also a natural flow chart for the Horseshoe Bend reach comparing the years of 2002 through 2006. The Natural flow comparison indicated that we will likely uses less storage water than prior years due to an extended natural flow season.

**Cost Share  
Program:**

Included in the packets were the Cost Share Applications and Payments sheet for 2005. Ron reported that there are four projects that are carried in accounts payable for from the 2005 program with a payable amount of \$67963.42. Ron said that he wished to remind the board that these projects will be funded as they are completed and make application for payment. Ron also provided the board members with the progress report for the 2006 Cost Share Applications and the Pro-rated Approvals. Two Lower Payette Ditch Company projects are complete, the Upper End Check #3 and the North Center Ave Check. They have been funded at the pro-rated amount of 83.1924% which was approved in the February meeting. There is approximately \$122,810.45 remaining funds for uncompleted projects.

**Other  
Business**

Secretary Dan Surmeier asked if there was any further business to be discussed. Rick reported on the low-head generation study and individual tour with Graduate student, Michael Tauber. He stated that Michael was going to do a study at the Forks and at the Melcher's. Rick reported that the study is specific to canal systems and that he was very impressed with Mr. Tauber's enthusiasm and knowledge of low-head generation.

Pictures of the Lower Payette Ditch Company slide area were passed around to show board members where the hillside and ditch collapsed and the damage caused by the landslide.

**Adjournment:** Secretary Dan Surmeier declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

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Jamie White, Recording Secretary

**Water District No. 65**  
**Balance Sheet**  
 As of July 31, 2006

	Jul 31, 06
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking - Water District	1,887.55
State Treasurer	337,450.16
Total Checking/Savings	339,337.71
Accounts Receivable	
A/R - Assessments	3,582.00
Acct. Rec. - Rental Pool	894,257.29
Total Accounts Receivable	897,839.29
Other Current Assets	
202 - Automation Equipment Inventory	250.00
Total Other Current Assets	250.00
Total Current Assets	1,237,427.00
Fixed Assets	
Office Equipment	18,432.72
Field Equipment	11,196.95
Vehicles	25,371.62
Total Fixed Assets	55,001.29
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,292,428.29</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Cost - Share Funds Payable	68,041.29
Payroll Liabilities	
Federal Withholding	370.00
FICA	
Company FICA	254.05
Employee FICA	254.05
Total FICA	508.10
Medicare	
Company Medicare	59.42
Employee Medicare	59.42
Total Medicare	118.84
State Withholding	187.00
SUI	35.52
Total Payroll Liabilities	1,219.46
Payable to Lessor - In Basin	-870.00
Payable - Lessor-Out of Basin	672,600.00
Payable to IDWRB - Fees	68,313.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	809,303.75
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Equity	
Equity - Equipment	55,001.29
Retained Earnings	306,801.55
Net Income	121,321.70
Total Equity	483,124.54
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>1,292,428.29</b>

**Water District No. 65**  
**Profit & Loss**  
 January through July 2006

	Jan - Jul 06
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
Income	
Interest Income	8,906.25
Assessment Revenue	58,824.84
Administrative Fee Revenue	
Admin. Fees - In Basin	7.30
Admin. Fees - Out of Basin	152,000.00
<b>Total Administrative Fee Revenue</b>	<b>152,007.30</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>219,738.39</b>
Expense	
Payroll Expenses	
Salary - Watermaster	28,684.11
Payroll Taxes	
Company FICA Expense	1,778.41
Company Medicare Expense	415.92
Company Fed Unemployment Tax	56.00
Company State Unemployment Ta	230.98
<b>Total Payroll Taxes</b>	<b>2,481.31</b>
Benefits - Medical Insurance	4,865.07
Benefits - Retirement	2,868.39
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>38,898.88</b>
Office Rent	4,025.00
Office Assistance	2,800.00
Postage and Delivery	609.14
Postage Reimbursasal Account	0.00
Office Supplies	1,061.36
Telephone	799.25
Professional Fees	
Accountant Fees	2,350.00
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<b>2,350.00</b>
Automobile and Mileage	2,073.87
Dues and Subscriptions	736.55
Water Education	
Contributions	750.00
Water Education - Other	7,321.00
<b>Total Water Education</b>	<b>8,071.00</b>
Internet Services	193.70
Travel and Entertainment	
IWUA Convention Expense	480.00
Meals and Lodging	165.00
<b>Total Travel and Entertainment</b>	<b>645.00</b>
Workman's Comp Insurance	243.00
Interest Expense	8,195.08
Insurance	518.00
Miscellaneous	7.50
Cost - Share Incentive Prog.	
Water Management	27,189.36
<b>Total Cost - Share Incentive Prog.</b>	<b>27,189.36</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>98,416.69</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>121,321.70</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>121,321.70</b>