



State of Idaho

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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EASTERN REGION

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GOVERNOR

KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

JANUARY 13, 2000

MR. STEVE CROFOOT
ROUTE 1, BOX 38
SALMON, ID. 83467

WATER DISTRICT #74-G
STREAM: SANDY CREEK

Dear Mr. Crofoot:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the watermaster's Annual Report for the past season.

The same has been prepared by the watermaster and approved by this Department in conformity with Sections 42-610, 42-614 and 42-615, Idaho Code.


During the 1993 legislative session, the legislature enacted a new law which amends Section 42-619(9), Idaho Code and removes the independent financial audit requirement for most state water districts. The new law, referenced by Section 67-450B, Idaho Code (copy enclosed) identifies minimum audit requirements for all local government entities. Under the new statute, the governing body of any local government entity (i.e.; water district) whose annual budget does not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) has no minimum audit requirements under this section. This means that any district which handles its own money and whose budget is fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or less does not have to have an independent public account firm conduct a financial audit every few years as previously required by Section 42-619(9).

Please note that only the statutory requirement regarding the independent financial audit has been changed. Districts handling their own fund (i.e.; districts who collect and/or disburse their own funds) must still submit their own statement of the water district's financial affairs at the end of each fiscal year. As recommended in the Department's February 16, 1993 letter and the 1993 Watermaster Handbook, a copy of the financial statement may be

submitted either with the annual water masters report or with the minutes of the annual meeting for the ensuing year. An example of an annual financial statement may be found in Appendix C of the 1993 Watermaster Handbook.

The purpose of this letter is to remind all water districts that workers compensation insurance is required for all water district employees. This requirement applies to all water districts in Idaho, regardless of annual budget. Insurance should be applicable at least to all paid water district staff, including the watermaster as well as watermaster assistants, advisory committee, secretary and treasurer. The costs associated with workers compensation insurance is paid directly by the water district and should be considered an expense of the district. For information about obtaining insurance costs etc., please contact the Idaho State Insurance Fund. The State Insurance Fund has offices in Boise, Couer d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Pocatello and Twin Falls. Water Districts are also reminded that all paid water district staff may be subject to state and federal taxes. These tax requirements will vary depending on salaries and total income of each watermaster or employee. In many water districts, particularly smaller districts with part-time staff, payment of watermaster or each employee. Districts may wish to contact the State Tax Commission or the Internal Revenue Service for information about state and federal withholding taxes.

Sincerely,


Harold W. Jones
Water Right Supervisor

HWJ:dn

Enclosure

WATERMASTER'S REPORT

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Department of Water Resources
Eastern Region

From April 1, 1999 To November 1, 1999

Water District No. 74-G

Name of Watermaster Steve Crofoot 756-2772

P.O. Address Route 1, Box 38 Salmon Idaho 83467

AFFIDAVIT OF WATERMASTER

STATE OF IDAHO }
COUNTY OF Lemhi } ss.

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Watermaster of Water District 74-G, having been lawfully appointed by _____, 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.

Steve Crofoot

(Deputy) Watermaster District No. _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of JANUARY, 192000

[Signature]

Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission expires 2-19-2003

Boise, Idaho, _____, 19____

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that Steve Crofoot was lawfully appointed by me as Water Master of Water District No. 74 G, 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 [Signature]

WATER RIGHT OWNER	IDWR WATER RIGHT IDENT No.	DIVERSION NAME / REMARKS
1 Terry McNeillis	74-00200	
2 Steve Crofoot	74-00199	
3 Craig Stahl	74-00201	
4 Steve Crofoot	74-00202	
5 Curtis Fayle	74-00205	
6 Pat McCowagly	74-02009	
7 Clayne Hansen	74-01797	
8 Martin Fisher	74-00405A	
9 Jay Bauman	74-00725	
10 Paul Chortland	74-00480	
11 Jim Dunsford	74-01799B	
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Curtis - 4-18 40" off MAY 7

collis ditch GARY MAY 7 water on
measured 5-10-99 85"

MAY 12 - CROFOOT 100" turned down 25"
CRAIG - 15" water turned down

MAY 19 CROFOOT 90" turn down 10

MAY 23 CRAIG - 91" sprinklers on
Turned FAYLE 30"
CROFOOT 3rd 40"
Dunford - 25" in draw

MAY 24 WATER (High) here

MAY 25 West Fork Hydes running full
350" water to Chartrand Fisher & clayne
upper place water (High) ditches running

July 3 clayne off West Fork
Chartrand off West Fork
Gary off

July 15 Don (Fisher) off

July 26 Craig 30"
Clayne & Demoin off
Curtis 20"

July 27

1st Craig 50"
2nd Mary 65"
3rd

Aug 4

2nd Craig 50
1st Mary 85
4th 15 gave

Aug 6

1st 75
2nd 40
3rd 35 not using turned down
4th 15

Aug 9

1st 75
2nd 45
3rd turned OFF never turned down

Aug 10

3rd never turned down

Aug 11

1 turned down 3rd right
1st 75"
2 55"

Aug 17

1 60"
2 50"
turned down 15 to 1st right