

Morgan Creek Water District 72 F
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Dear Karl,

The Morgan Creek Water District 72 F has been approached by several water users along the Salmon River that border our existing district. They have asked that they might be included within our district. Therefore we hereby petition the Idaho Department of Water Resources to expand the current boundaries of Water District 72F to include those water rights held by the water users along the Salmon River roughly bounded by McNabb Point on the South (T15 N19E Sec26) to Shep Creek on the North (T15N20E Sec8).

Water rights to be included to the best of our knowledge are as follows:

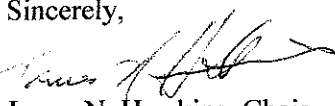
Owner	Address	Water Right Number(s)
Claire Casey	HC 61 Box 3058 Challis, ID 83226	72-04153
Dunfee Family Trust	HC 68 Box 357, Clayton, ID 83227	72-00151A, 72-00151B 72-00152A, 72-00152B 72-04025, 72-07055
Delbert Hughes	HC 61 Box 3054, Challis, ID 83226	72-04026, 72-04029, 72-04030
Lyle Hutchison	HC 61 Box 3039, Challis, ID 83226	72-04132, 72-4133
George Santee, Jr	PO Box 2365, Idaho Falls, ID 83403-2365	72-10307A, 72-10307B, 72-10306
Nyle Thornock	PO Box 570, Challis, ID 83226	72-04031, 72-4032, 72-04033, 72-04034

The following reasons list our justification for expansion:

1. Based on an IWDR informational meeting concerning Basin's 71 and 72 need to have all water users in water district, this expansion allows these users to join an existing district rather than forming another district with associated cost and need for an additional water master.
2. Of the six water users to be included, two are current members of #72 F and a third leases ground to a member of the District and all are neighbors.
3. The section of river we are asking to include is isolated from the rest of the river with the closest upstream diversion (water district) some 4 miles away and the next downstream diversion and/or pumper (water district) is 6 miles downstream.
4. The expanded district would lower costs to all concerned while still meeting the need to measure all water.

Thank you ahead of time for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,


James N. Hawkins, Chair
Water District 72F

Cc James E. Stanton, Bob Foster