



State of Idaho

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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C. L. "BUTCH" OTTER
Governor

GARY SPACKMAN
Interim Director

October 21, 2011

Water District 29G
Kent Winward - Watermaster
699 Big Hollow Rd
Downey ID 83234

RE: Requesting Watermaster's Report / Daily Record Books

Dear Watermaster:

In accordance with Chapter 6, Section 42-614 of the Idaho Code, and department regulations, the Watermaster of each district is required to submit an annual report to the Department of Water Resources. You should forward a copy to the County Treasurer, if applicable. Please be certain all of the report is complete.

In accordance with Chapter 6, Section 42-615 of the Idaho Code: Proposed budget for succeeding year. Each watermaster shall, at least fourteen (14) days prior to the annual meeting of the water users of the water district, also prepare a proposed budget for the succeeding year, together with a distribution of the amount of the budget to the respective water users, using the actual deliveries for the past irrigation season or seasons, as the basis for distribution. The proposed budget and distribution shall be submitted to the water users for consideration and approval at the next annual water meeting.

This report must be forwarded to the Secretary of the last Annual Water User's Meeting of your District.

We are enclosing sufficient forms for filling out the Watermaster's Report and the Proposed Budget.

Do not fail to send the Watermaster's Daily Record Books along with the Watermaster Report.

Sincerely,

Dennis M Dunn
Sr. Water Resource Agent

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January 19, 2012

Kent Winward
699 E Big Hollow
Downey ID 83235

Water District 29G

Dear Watermaster:

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) 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.

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Sr. Water Right Agent

Enclosure

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Richard D Gardner
24286 S Marsh Valley Rd
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Sincerely,

Dennis M. Dunn
Senior Water Right Agent

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Enclosures

WATERMASTER'S REPORT

RECEIVED

JAN 18 2012

Department of Water Resources
Eastern Region

From Jan, 2011 To Jan, 2012

Water District No. 296
Name of Watermaster Kent Winward
P.O. Address 699 E Big Hollow 83234 Downey ID

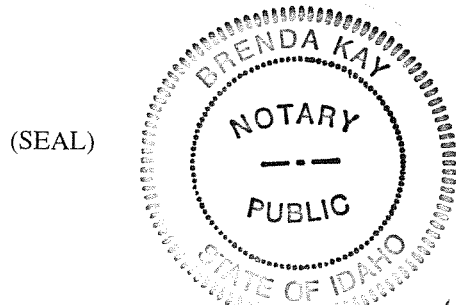
AFFIDAVIT OF WATERMASTER

STATE OF IDAHO }
COUNTY OF Bannock } ss.

Kent Winward, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Watermaster of Water District 296, having been lawfully appointed by Say Spackman, 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.

Kent Winward
(Deputy) Watermaster District No. 296

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of January, 2012



Brenda Kay
Notary Public

My Commission expires 1-14-2014

Boise, Idaho, January 18, 2012

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that Kent Winward was lawfully appointed by me as Water Master of Water District No. 296, and that the information contained in this report, as herein sworn to, is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct.

Say Spackman
Director, Department of Water Resources

By Sennie Dunn

	WATER RIGHT OWNER	IDWR WATER RIGHT IDENT No.	DIVERSION NAME / REMARKS
1	Bill Phillips	2/24	
2	Frank Winward	4/24	
3	Phil Fergus	5/24	
4	S Goldberg	2/24	
5	Phil Adams	4/24	
6	Treasure Est	4/24	
7	Williams Est	1/24	
8	Gardner/Marler	2/24	
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