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C. L. "BUTCH" OTTER Governor

DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR.
Director

January 15, 2009

Patricia M Hawkins HC 61 Box 3050 Challis, ID 83226

RE: Water District 72-F, Morgan Creek

Dear Mrs. Hawkins;

I have received your 2008 watermaster's report, three 2008 daily-record books, and your 2009 proposed budget. The report has been reviewed and found to be accurate, with a charge of \$29,245 per cfs owned. While the water rights of Lee Gregerson are listed on the report, he has not been charged for being part of the district this year; this seems odd, but I guess that is your choice. I see that he is included as a full payee for the 2009 season. A signed copy of the approval page of the report is enclosed for your records.

Just a comment on your budgeting process. Proposed and adopted budgets normally cover only those funds that will be paid to the district by the water users each year, and do not include any money kept in a bank account for emergencies (ditch repairs, etc). In future years, you will need to make assessments based on actual water deliveries instead of on water rights as you do now; Nick Miller from Water District 170 will discuss this with you in more detail later on. Your current method is acceptable for the 2009 season, however.

Regards,

James E. Stanton Sr. Water Resource Agent