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Re: Water District Budget Report Form

Dear Mr. Wistisen,

As per our discussion at the Water District 13-T annual meeting last week in Bancroft, please find enclosed a standard Water District Adopted Budget and Resolutions report form. Please use this form to show the 2009 estimated watermaster's salary and district expenses for the coming year, and the amount owed by each individual water user or right holder. Since I do not believe you or anyone from the district previously submitted this type of report form, it would be helpful to show the water right numbers and the total number of acres in which the assessments are based. The district resolutions and minutes can be attached to this form. I trust the minutes or the resolutions will document that assessments are based on water right acres.

I did check our files here at the state office and verified that we do have annual meeting minutes and certain budget information for both 2008 and 2007. These previous documents do not clearly show how individual assessments were derived. Again, please use the attached report to show that information for 2009. I learned from our regional office that they stopped sending the report and budget forms over the last year or two since the district had not returned any such forms or meeting minutes to their office. I should have forwarded the information you sent here to their office. I apologize for the oversight.

Although the regional office normally receives the annual minutes and reports, I suggest that for this year at least it may be best to forward the 2009 meeting minutes and resolutions, attached budget form, and other pertinent information directly to me so I know the paperwork has been completed and received by IDWR. You and Bart Chirstensen also indicated at the meeting that the watermaster would be forwarding some written summary of work activity for 2008. I assume you will receive that first and then forward that on to me. I did receive the watermaster's 2007 and 2008 water level measurements from Bart at the meeting and we have since entered those data to our database.

Please contact me directly at 287-4959 if you have any questions concerning this matter or you may e-mail me at tim.luke@idwr.idaho.gov. Thanks for your ongoing effort. It was good to see you and some of the others last week after a rather long absence from visiting your area and water district.

Regards,

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