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**SOUTHERN REGION**

March 19, 2007

Jack Challis  
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**C. L. "BUTCH" OTTER**  
Governor

**DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR.**  
Interim Director

RE: Water District 72-A, Challis/Garden Creeks

Dear Jack;

We have received the minutes of this year's water meeting, and your 2007 adopted budget. Oaths of office are enclosed for you and Patricia. Once we receive your notarized oaths, certificates of appointment will be issued.

Regards,

James E. Stanton  
Sr. Water Resource Agent

**GARDEN CREEK & CHALLIS CREEK  
WATER DISTRICT No. 72-A**

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March 6, 2007

The first Annual Meeting of the water right owners from the Garden Creek & Challis Creek Water District No. 72-A was held Tuesday, March 6, 2007, at the Challis High School Cafeteria. The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Bob Piva at 7:05 P.M.

The 2006 Annual Meeting Minutes for both 72-B, Garden Creek, and 72-C, Challis Creek, had been provided to the respective water right owners in a mailing prior to the meeting. Upon inquiry by the Acting Chairman there were no questions or any comments thus the Minutes were approved as submitted.

The 2006 Combined (Garden Creek & Challis Creek) Treasurer's Report with accompanying Income and Expense Breakdown was also provided to all water right owners in the mailing preceding the meeting. Again upon inquiry by the Acting Chairman there were no questions or any comments thus the Treasurer's Report was approved as submitted.

Upon inquiry by the Acting Chairman, Ryan Hughes, representing Everett P. Enzenauer, requested the Alternate Voting Procedure in accordance with Title 42, 605(4). This Alternate Voting Procedure was thus adopted.

The Acting Chairman opened nominations for Chairman of the new Garden Creek and Challis Creek Water District No. 72-A. Julian Piva nominated Bob Piva seconded by Anthony Gammache. Since there were no further nominations Bob Piva was elected Chairman unopposed.

The Chairman then opened nominations for Secretary/Treasurer. Trish Challis was nominated by Dr. Rod Evans seconded by Ron Yacomella. Again since there were no other nominations Trish Challis was elected Secretary/Treasurer unopposed.

Discussion followed regarding the adoption of the Resolutions previously applicable to 72-B, Garden Creek, and 72-C, Challis Creek, also provided to the respective water right owners in a mailing prior to the meeting. It was recommended by Jack Challis that an additional Resolution be considered to cover expenditures made applicable to a limited number of water right owners holding only those involved responsible for such expenditure. It was moved by Dr. Evans, seconded by Dan Strand, that the recommended Resolution be added. The motion passed unopposed.

It was then moved by Dan Strand, seconded by Dee Keppner, that the other Resolutions included in the mailing also be adopted in their entirety. The motion passed unopposed.

A recommendation was made by Jack Challis to consider use of a PDA with GPS capabilities by the Watermaster and/or Ditch Rider for recording flows and utilization of the other features available with such a unit. A representative model was demonstrated by Nick Miller, IDWR representative and USWD No. 170 Watermaster. It was moved by Jon Winegarner, seconded by Robert Steever, to authorize the Watermaster to investigate the cost of such a unit with applicable software and review same with the Advisory Board prior to actual purchase. The motion passed unopposed.

The Proposed Budget was discussed and a motion to adopt was made by Dee Keppner, seconded by Julian Piva. The motion passed unopposed.


Due to the late date of this Annual Meeting and conflict subsequently created regarding the billing and payment due dates otherwise covered by a prior approved Resolution, upon recommendation of the Treasurer it was moved by Robin Wegner, seconded by Julian Piva, to utilize a 30 day billing cycle this year reverting back to Resolution criteria in the future. The motion passed unopposed.

The Chairman then opened nominations for Watermaster. Rick Philps was nominated by Dee Keppner, seconded by Julian Piva. Jack Challis was nominated by Dan Strand, seconded by Jon Winegarner. A written ballot was requested by Julian Piva. Rick Philps received 1589 votes; Jack Challis 2423 votes; Jack Challis was thus elected Watermaster.

The Chairman then opened nominations for Advisory Board members. Upon inquiry by Julian Piva all were informed current Garden Creek drainage members were Dan Strand, Alan Henderson (actually owning rights in both drainages) and Dee Keppner. Challis Creek drainage members were Stephen Bauchman (with Larry Audiss having full representation voting rights in Bauchman's absence), Bonnie Rowles (actually owning rights in both drainages) and Anthony Gammache. All were also informed the Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer served in their respective capacities as members. It was moved by Julian Piva, seconded by Robert Steever, to retain these members for the 2007 irrigation season. The motion passed unopposed.

After acknowledging the 2008 Annual Meeting would be the fourth Monday in January as dictated by earlier adopted Resolution, it was moved by Julian Piva, seconded by Ryan Hughes (again representing Everett P. Enzenauer), that the meeting be adjourned. Unopposed the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully,  
Garden Creek & Challis Creek  
Water District No. 72-A



Patricia W. Challis  
Secretary/Treasurer