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Re: Guidance Regarding Annual Water District and Watermaster Reporting

Dear Troy,

This letter provides formal notification to you as watermaster of Water District 13-A to provide additional annual reporting of diversions from Worm Creek and Spring Creek. As you may recall, I had discussed with you and other water users the need for some additional reporting at the 2009 Water District 13-A annual meeting. I see from review of the 2009 reports that you have included daily diversions/flows and monthly totals for Preston Whitney Irrigation Company's (PWIC) 1880 priority Worm Creek water right. It is my understanding that these reported flows are the Worm Creek flows at the rated measurement section on Worm Creek above the point where water from the Cub River-Worm Creek Canal (PWIC upper fill ditch) is injected to Worm Creek (minus the Mink Creek injection to Worm Creek). The reported flow therefore represents the available natural flow of Worm Creek above Glendale Reservoir, less the Webster diversion. While this additional reported information is appreciated, additional flow and diversion measurements from Worm Creek should be provided in the water district daily diversion records and annual reports.

The additional reporting requirements requested by the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR or Department) are outlined below:

- Daily records or measurements of flows injected to Worm Creek from Mink Creek.
- Daily flow (actual or total flow) of Worm Creek at the Worm Creek measurement station (rated measurement section) located above the injection point of the PWIC Cub River-Worm Creek Canal.
- Daily diversion of the Webster ditch diversion from Worm Creek located below the Mink Creek injection point and measurement flume. Diversions in 2010 will have to be estimated since no measuring device currently exists for this diversion.
- Available natural flow of Worm Creek at the Worm Creek measurement station (Worm Creek total flow at measurement station plus the Webster diversion minus the Mink Creek injection flow).
- Daily diversions of the Lamont-Johnson Ditch as measured at the Parshall flume on the ditch.
- Report on a daily basis whether Lamont-Johnson Ditch diversions include filling of
 individual Worm Creek priority water rights that are re-diverted from the ditch. Rediversions of those rights are not required to be measured but a daily accounting should be
 provided of which rights are filled or partially filled at the ditch heading from the creek.

- Daily flow of water in Worm Creek below the Glendale Reservoir as measured in the Parshall flume installed in the creek below the Glendale Reservoir outlet canal and spill control structure.
- Daily flow of Glendale Reservoir outlet canal as measured in the Parshall flume installed in the canal below the spill/control structure to Worm Creek.
- Monthly diversion totals to PWIC individual users/shareholders or lateral associations diverting from the Lamont-Johnson Ditch (these data are already gathered by PWIC).
- Monthly diversion totals to PWIC individual users/shareholders or lateral associations diverting from Glendale Reservoir Outlet Canal (these data are already gathered by PWIC).
- Monthly diversion totals to PWIC laterals from the Lamont Reservoir, Johnson Reservoir and the Foster Reservoir (these data are already gathered by PWIC).
- Weekly or other regular periodic recordings of reservoir storage levels for the Glendale, Lamont, Johnson and Foster Reservoirs (report in acre-feet from latest reservoir stage-storage rating tables or relationships).
- Daily discharge or flow from the Lamont Johnson pipeline to the Cub River Middle Ditch/Foster pipeline.
- Daily diversions (measured and assumed flows) of the Gib Hull diversion from Spring Creek.
- Daily diversions by Whitney Nashville Water Co. from springs tributary to Spring Creek.
- Beginning in 2011, record and report all remaining Spring Creek diversions, including the diversion or diversions at Hulls Crossing to water rights owned by Golightly, Wheatley Properties LLC, and/or others.
- Beginning in 2011, record and report all diversions from Worm Creek below the Glendale Reservoir (individual or private decreed water right diversions), including water injected to and re-diverted from Worm Creek by the Cub River Irrigation Company (CRIC).
- Beginning in 2011, record and report daily discharge (injection) of water from the PWIC Cub River-Worm Creek Canal to Worm Creek.

These additional measurements, except those noted above as beginning in 2011, should be included in the 2010 annual report and all subsequent annual reports unless further guidance or notice is provided. Please contact me directly at 208-287-4959 if you have questions or need assistance regarding this guidance

Regards,...

Tim Luke

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