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Gary Spackman, Interim Director
Idaho Department of Water Resources
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Dear Director Spackman:

As chairman of Water Districts 37 & 37M Advisory Board, I want to thank you for your personal visit to our office on November 10, 2009, informing us of the severity of the IDWR's current fiscal limitations. It is unfortunate that this will preclude the department's creation of a groundwater measurement district in Basin 37 in the coming year as indicated by Water Allocation Bureau Chief Jeff Peppersack in his enclosed April 2, 2009 letter. Establishment of a groundwater district in Basin 37/37M has been an ongoing discussion between us and the previous 3 IDWR directors for at least the last 20 years.

Obviously we are disappointed the establishment of a groundwater measurement district in Basin 37 appears to be on hold, but looking beyond the department's present budgetary constraints, the Advisory Board still believes the only logical way to manage conjunctively in Basin 37 is to have the surface and ground water managed by a single district. To that end, we intend to pursue formation of a groundwater district in Basin 37/37M, and welcome the department's help at such time it becomes available.

Thank you again for your time and consideration of this matter.

Respectfully,

Frederic Brossy

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Water Districts 37 & 37 M Advisory Board Chairman