

# State Water District No 65

Payette River Basin, State of Idaho

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## ***NOTICE OF ADVISORY BOARD MEETING***

***June 13, 2011***

***8:00 P.M.***

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Mr. John Westra  
2735 Airport Road  
Boise, ID 83705

Dear Mr. Westra,

The Advisory Board of State Water District No. 65 will meet on **Monday June 13**, at **8:00 P.M.** in the **Payette River Irrigation Office** located at 102 North Main Street in Payette Idaho.

The following tentative agenda items will be considered during the meeting.

- *Review to Approve May 9, 2011 Minutes*
- *Review to Approve Financial Statement*
- *Runoff projection*
- *Rental Pool Report*
- *Cost Share Projects Update*
- *New! SCADA; Radio Communication Demonstration*
  - *Real Time Monitoring*
  - *Mobile Monitoring*
- *Any other business to be brought before the board*

***Note! Summer Meeting Time; 8:00PM***

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting on **June 13, 2011**, in the Payette River Irrigation Office.

Sincerely,

*Ron Shurtleff*

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### Regular Board Meeting

**Date:** May 9, 2011  
**Time:** 8:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Payette River Irrigation Office, 102 N. Main, Payette, Idaho

**Attending:** Doyle Fackler, Dennis Lammey, Dan Surmeier, Moody Gross, Roy Maxwell, Ken Mineard, Fred Coburn, Jim Standley, Jim Hutchins, Darlene Maxwell, Chuck Pollock, Marcia Herr, Wayne Martin, Watermaster, Ron Shurtleff and Recording Secretary, Jamie White

**Guests:** Jerrold Gregg, Area Manager, US Bureau of Reclamation and Brian Sauer, Water Operations Manager, US Bureau of Reclamation

**Agenda:** Chairman Standley asked if there were any changes or additions that should be made to the agenda. Ron mentioned that he had received a phone call from Jon Bowling, Idaho Power Company, just before the meeting. Because of the phone call Ron would like to add one more item concerning a request from Mr. Bowling.

**Dennis Lammey moved and Doyle Fackler seconded to add one item for Mr. Bowling and then to approve the agenda as amended. Motion Carried.**

**Minutes:** The minutes of the April meeting had been mailed to the board members with their meeting notice. Chairman Standley asked the members to review the minutes for their approval. **Dennis Lammey moved and Doyle Fackler seconded to approve the minutes of April 11, 2011 meeting as presented. The motion carried.**

**Financials:** Chairman Standley asked Ron Shurtleff to review the financial statement for the district. Ron reported a checking account balance of \$3,070.56 and a balance in the State Treasury Fund of \$225,137.38 resulting in a checking and savings total of \$228,207.94. Total accounts receivable equaled \$68,381.72, Ron explained this amount is large because he had just sent the 2011 assessments invoices and only a few have been paid at this time. The fixed assets remain at \$68,317.17 producing a total assets balance of \$364,906.83. Ron then reviewed the profit and loss statement and stated that as of May 9, 2011, the District is showing a positive net income amount of \$6,418.24. Chairman Standley asked if there were any other questions or concerns. **Dan Surmeier moved and Dennis Lammey seconded to approve the Financial Statement as presented. The motion carried.**

## Water Supply

### Report:

Brian Sauer, US Bureau of Reclamation presented to the group with a slide presentation the current runoff projections and reservoir conditions. Mr. Sauer showed where back on April 11<sup>th</sup> the Snow Water Equivalent had been reported at 108% of normal and now the SWE has increased to equal 152% of normal as of May 9<sup>th</sup>. However Brian noted the runoff projection has not changed that dramatically, but has moved from 108% on April 11<sup>th</sup> to the current projection of 121% of the thirty year average. Brian noted that at this date back in 2006 there was a similar amount of SWE on the watershed however in that year, the seasonal total had earlier been considerably higher, and had already begun to melt off.

Mr. Sauer mentioned there is a lot of concern as to whether we will be able to avoid flood stage on the Payette River with the unseasonably high SWE in the mountains. He reported that the brief warm periods followed by cooler temperatures has helped by allowing extended time to run the rivers high and yet remain below flood stage. Brian reported the reservoir content at 63% of a full condition which is in line with the rule curve which puts the basin in a good condition to handle the spring runoff.

Brian showed the 8 to 14 day weather outlook which indicated below normal temperatures with above normal precipitation projections. Brian noted that this type of weather is helpful in reducing the risk of a flood event by allowing for additional time to run the river high and get as much water as possible out of the system.

## USBR

### Report:

Chairman Standley gave the floor to Mr. Jerrold Gregg, US Bureau of Reclamation. Mr. Gregg stated that it is nice to have such a favorable forecast for this year's water year. He stated that because of the generous water outlook the Bureau will be able to assemble the 487 K acre-feet of flow augmentation water for this 2011 season. The Bureau of Reclamation would like to receive 160,000 acre-feet of flow augmentation water from the Payette Basin with 95,000 AF from the bureau's uncontracted space and the remaining 65,000 AF from irrigators contracted space. In addition to this he understands the State Water Resource Board is intending to rent and exchange 2,800 acre-feet of water from the Black Canyon Irrigation District.

Mr. Gregg reported on studies conducted by the Bureau which indicate that climate change could result in a shift of 6 to 8% increase in rain instead of snowfall which could make wet springs like we have recently experienced, become a more common event.

Mr. Gregg reported on policy updates that shine a positive light on Green Energy. Because of this the Low Head Hydro Projects are being considered to be environmentally friendly along with the wind and solar power generation. Jerry reported the upcoming Water Seminar in Sun Valley included some presentations on Low Head Hydro projects and that the canal companies may wish to investigate to see if there is potential within their systems.

Mr. Gregg also reported the additional 3<sup>rd</sup> generator installation at Black Canyon Dam is about 50% through the design stage and also the Bureau is planning to make a 4 million dollar upgrade to their SCADA system.

Watermaster

Report:

Ron presented a few slides of the usual Snotel sites and reservoir charts and noted the same information exists in the packets. He also reported the packets contain the May 1<sup>st</sup> Water Supply Outlook from the NRCS.

Rather than duplicating information already covered by Brian Sauer, Ron moved into the Cost Share Incentive Program conducted by the district. Ron reported the completion of the Lower Payette Ditch Company's Upper End Check #5 and showed a few in-progress photos along with a picture of the completed structure in operation. He then reported on Emmett Irrigation District's projects which were to enclose in pipe, the D and J1 Laterals on their system. Ron showed several photos of those projects in-progress as well.

Ron then reported on a cost share project that had been carried forward from the 2010 program, the Noble Ditch Company's project at the head of their system, on the Seven Mile Slough. Ron reported the project has been completed and is in operation. He showed several in-progress photos as well a photo of the structure in its completed form. Ron reported that later he would bring forward a funding request in relation to this project.

Ron then was able to report the repeater tower on the Old Beacon Hill had been completed and is in operation. Ron showed a few photos of the installation process and the finished product.

Ron then reopened the topic of the Noble Ditch Company's Cost Share Project and stated the project had encountered a serious cost overrun due to substantially more work required to rehabilitate the old structure, than had been expected. Ron stated the project had been estimated to cost \$32,960, however the completed cost came in at \$51,482. Ron said that since the Lower Payette Ditch Company's project had been completed below its estimate, the Noble Ditch Company could apply for a cost overrun in the 2011 budget and the District should have sufficient funds pay the cost overrun. Ron further stated that it would only be fair to also award the cost overrun to the Emmett Irrigation District for their modest overrun on the two lateral piping projects. Ron then asked if the members would allow him to fund the projects to include their cost overrun balance.

**Dennis Lammey moved and Darlene Maxwell seconded to fund the projects to include the cost overrun with the available budget figure which was generated when the Lower Payette Ditch Company's Check project came in below estimate. Motion Carried.**

Water Bank

Leases:

Ron provided a breakdown of the Lease contributions to the Local Rental Pool  
The following are assignments for out-of-basin water.

Farmers Cooperative Irrigation Company	25,000 AF
Noble Ditch Company	9,947 AF

Lower Payette Ditch Company	9,947 AF
Emmett Irrigation District	10,000 AF
Black Canyon Irrigation District	10,000 AF
Lake Irrigation District	2,106 AF
Black Canyon Irrigation District (Ex)	2,800 AF

Ron stated that he had also been notified that Farmers Cooperative Irrigation Company intends to contribute an additional \$5,000 AF to the Water Bank. Ron noted the amount contributed already totals more than the request of the Bureau by 2,000 AF and the additional 5,000 from Farmers Coop would increase the overrun by 7,000 AF, and that all water had been contributed before the July 1<sup>st</sup> date making it of equal status. After some discussion it was decided that Ron would investigate to see if the last contribution from Farmers Coop could be earmarked for in-basin and that Ron could also try to find an out-of-basin home for the water such as the Idaho Power Company for winter generation.

**Jon Bowling**

**Idaho Power:**

Ron reported that Jon Bowling from Idaho Power had asked him to see if any irrigators would be willing to write a letter of support for the Cloud Seeding program conducted by the Idaho Power Company. The reason is that the company has been required to obtain special use permits for their equipment towers utilized in the seeding program. Ron explained, the Idaho Power Company would like to get support letters from irrigators and or canal managers. Ron said he will get the specific information from Idaho Power and get back with the members to see if any would be willing to submit a support letter.

**Adjournment:**

Chairman Jim Standley asked if there were any additional business items that should be brought before the board, hearing none he declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

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Ron Shurtleff, Watermaster

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Jamie White, Recording Secretary

**Water District No. 65**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of June 6, 2011

	<u>Jun 6, 11</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<b>Checking/Savings</b>	
Checking - Water District	3,500.79
State Treasurer	220,196.36
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<u>223,697.15</u>
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	
A/R - Assessments	2,271.06
Acct. Rec. - Rental Pool	4,164.49
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<u>6,435.55</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<u>230,132.70</u>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	
Office Equipment	21,215.77
Field Equipment	21,185.40
Vehicles	25,916.00
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<u>68,317.17</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>298,449.87</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
<b>Other Current Liabilities</b>	
Cost - Share Funds Payable	22,977.50
<b>Payroll Liabilities</b>	
SUI	91.12
<b>Total Payroll Liabilities</b>	<u>91.12</u>
Printing Expense Payable	902.72
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<u>23,971.34</u>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<u>23,971.34</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>23,971.34</u>
<b>Equity</b>	
Equity - Equipment	68,317.17
Retained Earnings	249,765.69
Net Income	-43,604.33
<b>Total Equity</b>	<u>274,478.53</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u><u>298,449.87</u></u>

**Water District No. 65**  
**Profit & Loss**  
 January 1 through June 6, 2011

	Jan 1 - Jun 6, 11
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Interest Income	617.03
Assessment Revenue	74,130.90
Finance Charge Revenues	0.80
<b>Total Income</b>	74,748.73
<b>Gross Profit</b>	74,748.73
<b>Expense</b>	
<b>Payroll Expenses</b>	
Salary - Watermaster	23,729.15
<b>Payroll Taxes</b>	
Company FICA Expense	1,471.21
Company Medicare Expense	344.07
Company Fed Unemployment Tax	56.00
Company State Unemployment Ta	227.80
<b>Total Payroll Taxes</b>	2,099.08
Benefits - Medical Insurance	3,516.55
Benefits - Retirement	2,372.90
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	31,717.68
Office Rent	2,875.00
Office Assistance	2,000.00
Postage and Delivery	367.31
Postage Reimbursasal Account	0.00
Office Supplies	1,941.20
Telephone	582.71
<b>Professional Fees</b>	
Accountant Fees	2,500.00
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	2,500.00
Automobile and Mileage	1,779.64
Dues and Subscriptions	500.00
IWUA Basin Members Dues	23,208.80
<b>Water Education</b>	
Contributions	1,000.00
<b>Total Water Education</b>	1,000.00
Internet Services	269.40
Meeting Expenses	146.70
<b>Travel and Training</b>	
IWUA Convention Expense	180.00
Meals and Lodging	172.05
<b>Total Travel and Training</b>	352.05
<b>Repairs and Maintenance</b>	
Equipment Repairs	121.90
<b>Total Repairs and Maintenance</b>	121.90
Workman's Comp Insurance	145.00
<b>Interest Expense</b>	
Interest Exp.- Rental Pool	634.79
<b>Total Interest Expense</b>	634.79
Insurance	500.00
Miscellaneous	85.22
Equip. Purchases, Office & Field	3,881.95

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Accrual Basis

**Water District No. 65**  
**Profit & Loss**  
January 1 through June 6, 2011

	<u>Jan 1 - Jun 6, 11</u>
Cost - Share Incentive Prog. Water Management	43,743.71
Total Cost - Share Incentive Prog.	<u>43,743.71</u>
Total Expense	<u>118,353.06</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-43,604.33</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-43,604.33</u></u>