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May 18, 2021

Kristin Evans
Watermaster, Water Districts 29D and 29H
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Downey, ID 83234 (transmitted via email)

RE: Emergency Request for Appointment of Watermaster Assistants

Dear Kristin,

The Idaho Department of Water Resources ("Department") received your request for approval to employ watermaster assistants pursuant to Section 42-609, Idaho Code. This letter is to notify you that the Director of the Department ("Director") has reviewed and approved your request (attached).

The recent demand by the Surface Water Coalition for the Director to ensure surface water rights within Basin 29 are administered consistent with the priority delivery dates within Water District 01 will require additional staff resources to assist you with the discharge of your duties. The Department understands that the adopted budgets for Water District 29D and Water District 29H did not anticipate this additional workload and are insufficient to pay salaries for watermaster assistants.

Consistent with your request, the Director will appoint Department employees to serve as your assistants for the remainder of 2021, and the associated costs will be borne by the Department. You will be provided with related Certificates of Appointment once the designated Department employees have subscribed to the required oaths.

Please contact me at 208-287-4924 or Steve Visosky at 208-287-4933 if you have any related questions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rob Whitney', is written over a horizontal line.

Rob Whitney
Manager, Water Distribution Section

cc: Steve Visosky, IDWR Boise
Blake Jordan, IDWR Idaho Falls

OK Gary 5/18/2021

Emergency Request to Appoint Watermaster Assistants

Water District 29D and Water District 29H

May 18, 2021

Consistent with Section 42-609, Idaho Code, I, Kristin Evans, Watermaster of Water Districts 29D (WD29D) and 29H (WD29H) request approval of the Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources (Department) to employ suitable assistants to aid me in the discharge of my duties during 2021.

The Director of the Department has directed administration of water rights within Basin 29 consistent with the priority delivery dates within Water District 01. The additional work effort required to fulfill this directive along with the limitations of the adopted budgets to pay watermaster assistants constitutes an emergency for the Watermaster.

Please appoint employees of the Department to act as watermaster assistants during the remainder of 2021.

Respectfully,

Kristin Evans 5/18/2021
Kristin Evans

Watermaster WD29D and WD29H