

WATERMASTER'S REPORT - JOE STIPPICH

Water Season of 2015

November 14, 2014 checked inlet head gate for trash Miles 15

November 24, 2014 shut reservoir down 1 turn inlet seems ok Miles 24.2

December 1, 2014 cleaned trash out of inlet with Ralph Yantis Miles 28

December 12, 2014 cleaned trash out of inlet opened it 2 turns Miles 31.2

Dec 18, 2014 Cleaned trash from inlet with Ralph Yantis. Shut inlet down some Miles 28

2015

Jan 6, Cleaned trash from inlet opened head gate 2" Miles 35

Jan 29 Cleaned trash from inlet with Ralph Yantis Opened head gate some Miles 28

Feb 15 Reservoir is 17' from being full. Cleaned trash from inlet, opened it 3 turns Miles 35

Feb 20 Checked inlet ditch with Royce Schwenkfelder, Isaac Ward, and Ralph Yantis. Measured Res 10'9" to fill Miles 44

Feb 27 Ralph Yantis and I opened head gate on inlet canal (more) It looks like the reservoir is rising 1' per week Miles 28

March 27 Little Weiser weir is 1" over the shoulder Under drain is running clear and about 1" deep Miles 38

March 31 Called Russell Wilkerson about putting weir in Allison ditch. Cattle had tromped it out.

April 3 Helped Wayne Burkhart put boards in the spillway Reservoir is at 55' Miles 28

April 9 Called Ron Jaeger about weir being washed out. He said he was going to fix it.

April 10 Dean Dunham called and said they wanted water in Greys Creek on Wed. (not much)

Mileage for Reservoir before 67A 384.4'

April 11 Let Wayne Burkhart know Greys Creek would be taking water on Wes.
Miles 21

April 14 Little Weiser weir is just up to the shoulder, about 50.39 cfs Reservoir is about full--maybe 1 more inch. Talked to Mike Johnson about Anderson Ditch, checked weeds on ditch bank. Miles 31

April 16 Went to measure Greys Creek ditch. No water yet was supposed to be in on Wed. will check Miles 21.03

April 17 Martha Voerman called and would like me to come see what Joe Holmes is doing. She said Joe was going to pipe the ditch around her house. She built her house on the feeder ditch. Closed it off and Joe Holmes said he would pipe it around her house at his expense and everyone seems happy. Miles 20.9

Talked to Wayne Burkhart and he said if I would check ditch every 7 days he would be happy.

Little Weiser Weir	12"
Greys Cr.	6 ½"
Stew.	4"
Mortz	5 ½"
Wilkerson	dry
Allison	dry
Don weir	dry

Miles 31.4

April 20 Called Royce Schwenkfelder to see who was taking care of the S Ogle ditch and he said he was. One time a week was OK to check ditches on 67A was his opinion.

April 23 Called Water Resources in Boise to check on the seniority list of 67A

April 26

Little Weiser Weir	14"
Richardson	5"
Greys Creek	12"
Stewart	8 1/4"
Wilkerson	4 1/2 "
Allison running some	
Schwenkfelder	6"

Miles 52.3

May 1 Shut down water off upper canal Miles 18

May 2 Talked to Bob with Craig Excavation and opened up water to upper canal Miles 26

May 3 Looked at Little Weiser Weir, it is about the same as last week. Putting in dam on the Donner ditch. Miles 27

May 4

Little Weiser Weir	3" over shoulder
American Lindsay	7"
Greys Creek	12 ¼"
Mortz	3 ½"
Stewart	8 ½"
Under wood	OK
Wilkerson	11 ½"
Allison	LOW
Schwenkfelder	11 ½"

Miles 49.1

May 7 Opened Splitter down Anderson Creek. Little Weiser Weir is 1 ½ " over the shoulder Miles 23

May 8 Talked to Royce Schwenkfelder and Wayne Burkhart about how the 5/8 inch of reservoir water should be dispersed to the water users. Wayne said to do things just like we did last year. Donner ditch has weir fixed.

May 11

American Lindsay	9 "
Richardson	7 ½ "
Little Weiser Weir	2 ½ " over shoulder
Greys Creek	12
Mortz	4 ½ "
Allison	haven't put in the weir
Schwenkfelder	11 ½ "

Miles 49

May 18 Little Weiser Weir in 3" over the shoulders Will not measure any ditches today. A lot of water going down Little Weiser. Below the Donner It has rained for 3 days Miles 27.8

May 19
 Little Weiser Weir 2" over shoulders
 Richardson 6 ½ "
 Stewart 4 ½ "
 Did not stop on Wilkerson Traffic to heavy
 Allison ok no weir yet
 Schwenkfelder 9 ¾ "
 Donner 3"
 Miles 25.1

May 26 Checked water at Lower end very little going over dam. Little Weiser weir is just at the shoulder. Called Joe Holmes about North Ogle ---Joe is shutting it off in 2 days. Called Wayne Burkhart and he said we were close to opening the reservoir.
 Miles 29.3

May 28 Called Russell Wilkerson about where he put his weir in the Allison ditch. He will show me. There is no weir in the inlet canal so how am I suppose to give the board all the weir measurements on each ditch? Can't do that with no weir on the inlet canal. Did not check any ditches on the May 31--will do that in a day or two.

May 31 Sprayed weeds on the upper canal Miles 20.1

June 2
 Richardson 6"
 Little Weiser Weir 12"
 American Lindsay 8"
 Greys Creek 12 ¼ "
 Stewart 6"
 Mortz 4"
 Allison ok
 Wilkerson 10 ½ "
 Schwenkfelder 12 ½ "
 Donner 0
 Miles 47.2

June 6
 American Lindsay 7 ½ "
 Little Weiser 9 ¾ "
 Richardson 5"
 Greys Creek 12 ½ "
 Wilkerson 10 ¼ "
 Schwenkfelder 11 ½ "
 Donner 0

Stewart ditch was basically dry so I did not measure, Mortz ditch was the same. The south Ogle ditch isn't being used. Joe Homes said the north Ogle ditch was shut off.

Dean Dunham called and said the some people were short of water on the Stewart and Mortz ditches, Called Isaac Ward about demossing the upper canal. No decision as made.

Miles 51.0

June 15-16

Stewart	9"
Schwenkfelder	10"
American Lindsay	11"
Richardson	6"
Donner	0
Greys Creek	10"
Opened Reservoir 4 turns	
Little Weiser Weir	8 ½ "

End of 67A Water Miles 48 Total 67A mileage is 617.5

June 20

Little Weiser Weir	7"
Donner	4 ½ "
Schwenkfelder	12 ½ "
Allison	full
Wilkerson	10"
Greys Creek	10
Underwood	dry

Reservoir is about 8200 cf
Miles 41

June 22

Little Weiser Weir	7"
Opened splitter 3 turns	
Opened E gate 2 ½ turns	
Greys Creek	10"

Miles 48

June 23

Opened Reservoir 1 ½ turns
Opened splitter 3 turns
Miles 48.6

June 25

Little Weiser Weir	6"
Opened Reservoir 2 turns	

Greys Creek 9" Miles 22

June 26

Little Weiser Weir 5 ¼ "

Greys Creek 10"

Opened Reservoir 1 turn

Opened

Checked at Mike Johnson's Pipe is Ok

Miles 15

June 31

Talked to Royce Schwenkfelder and Isaac Ward about weir readings

Miles 30

July 1

Donner 7"

Schwenkfelder 14"

Wilkerson 11 ½ "

Greys Creek 11"

Reservoir is 53'

Little Weiser Weir 5"

Richardson 6" Miles 49

July 2

Shut down Reservoir 1 ½ turns

Miles 18

July

Little Weiser Weir 4 ½ "

Greys Creek 9 ½ "

Reservoir 51'

Schwenkfelder 12 ½ "

Richardson 6"

Stewart 9 ½ "

Greys Creek 9 ½ "

Miles 52

July 13

Shut Reservoir down 1 turn, Reservoir is 48' Fixed Weir at Anderson Creek wit Jack
Thompson /

Miles 39

July 14

High water washed out 3 damns

July 16
Donner 7"
Schwenkfelder 11"
Allison short but ok
Wilkerson 11 1/2 "
Greys Creek 9 1/2 "
Miles 42

July 20
Opened Reservoir 1 turn
Little Weiser Weir 4 "
Put Boards in shed
Reservoir 45 1/2 '
Miles 28

July 22
Little Weiser Weir 3 1/2 "
Greys Creek 8"
Opened Reservoir 1 turn
Miles 28

July 24
Greys Creek 8 1/2 "
Opened Reservoir 1 turn
Richardson
Little Weiser Weir 4 1/2 "
Donner 5"
Stewart 6 1/2 "
Miles 26

July 26
Schwenkfelder 11"
Wilkerson 11"
South Ogle can't read
Underwood can't read
North Ogle dry
Greys Creek 9"
Anderson 8"
Allison very short

July 28
Little Weiser Weir 3"
Reservoir is about 40'
Miles 22

August 2
 Donner 5 ½ “
 Schwenkfelder 11”
 Wilkerson 11 ¼ “
 South Ogle 2 ¼ “
 Underwood beavers 4”
 Greys Creek 7 ½ “
 American Lindsay 5”
 Miles 38.5

August 7
 Little Weiser Weir 3”
 Richardson 5 ½ “

Joe Holmes called wanted OK to move the water on the Legg place. Gave him the OK.

Royce Schwenkfelder called and was down to 5” over weir and wanted me to look for the Water loss. Found no reason for shortage.

Miles 11

August 7
 Greys Creek 8”
 Wilkerson 10 ¼ “
 Could not find water for Schwenkfelder Ditch.
 Miles 34

August 8
 Opened Reservoir ½ Turn
 Opened Splitter 1 Turn
 Schwenkfelder 10 ¾ “
 Allison is low. Weir is in I can't find it
 Can't give a Reservoir level--the measure device is covered with 1 ½ ' of sand. Got a call
 From the water resource board and we will be getting together to have a meeting about
 the inlet canal and the Richardson ditch.
 Received a call from Ron Jaeger that he has no water. He was very angry.
 Call Royce Schwenkfelder and he has been short of water for 2-3 days. He told me to
 look for the loss.
 Miles 26

August 12

Looked at some of the ditches in Indian Valley. Could not look at all of them the daylight was gone.

Stewart 7 ½ "

Greys Creek 8"

South Ogle 1 ½ "

Underwood is about half. Can't read the numbers.

Reservoir is about 26'

Miles 30

August 14

Little Weiser Weir 2"

Had a meeting with the water resource representative(Nick) to go over how to get the right water to the Richardson and American Lindsay ditch. None of the board members showed up meet with us at the office.. Cut water to 2 ½" over weir on the Richardson and the inlet I think is undeliverable. Did not get to check the American Lindsay to see if they are getting the water they have coming.

Jerry Jaeger and Isaac Ward (Ron Jaeger was in the back seat of their automobile) stopped Nick and I on the road, at which time Jerry gave me mean ass chewing over me using the office for a meeting place for the water users and the water resource board representative. Jerry asked for my key to the office and informed my that I was not to go to the office again. I handed over the key to the office to Jerry and Isaac.

Miles 46

August 15

Water user called and told me Jerry and Isaac changed the water in the reservoir and messed with the head gates. Checked Reservoir and it was at about 31'

Miles 30

August 17

Talked to Isaac Ward about changing water and messing with the head gates without my permission.. I informed the water resource board of people messing with my head gates. I think it is not lawful to mess with the head gates without my permission. If Jerry and Isaac would have talked to me I would have given permission.

Water resource rep(Nick) returned my call and ask how things were going. They seemed to have calmed down.

August 20
Wilkerson 10"
Schwenkfelder 11"
Donner 5 1/4 "
Greys Creek 8"
Little Weiser Weir 2"
Miles 64

August 22
Talked to Wayne Burkhart about the inlet canal. Checked Reservoir Looks like we might make it to the 1st of September.
Joe Holmes called to say he has lost dam in North Ogle again.
Greys Creek 5 3/4'
Miles 23.1

August 27

Checked Reservoir and the water is about gone. South Ogle is taking water, did not measure but looks about the right amount. Underwood is fine. Upper canal has dropped about 6". Lower canal is full. Didn't check North Ogle because the dam was washed out.
Miles 28

September 8
Winterized sprayer and replace some parts 36 miles
Return Sprayer to shed 22 miles

September 9
Checked American Lindsay 4 3/4 "
Miles 20

September 10
Royce called---short on water --I went looking for the problem. No luck Took other phone calls from users.
Miles 26

This is a full time job-----I take water calls everyday all day long from the water users and the board members. The state sends water permit papers for recommendations all year and the list goes on. Wear and Tear on my 4 wheeler and pickup all year round keep the Reservoir level monitored.

Total miles for Reservoir 993.4