

# WATERMASTER'S REPORT

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From January 2, 202016 To December 31, 2016

Water District No. 13T

Name of Watermaster Craig Shuler

P.O. Address 255 W. 4th So. St. Soda Springs ID 83276

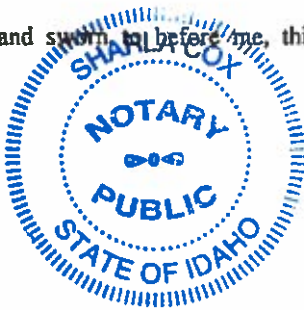
### AFFIDAVIT OF WATERMASTER

STATE OF IDAHO )  
COUNTY OF Caribou ) ss.

Craig Shuler, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Watermaster of Water District 13T, having been lawfully appointed by Cory Spackman, Director, Idaho Department of Water Resources, and that the volumes of water, as stated in this report and prorated by him to the water right holders of the district are correct.

Craig Shuler  
(Deputy) Watermaster District No. 13T

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of January, 2017.



Sharly Cox  
Notary Public  
My Commission expires Sept 12, 2020

(SEAL)

Boise, Idaho, January 19, 2017

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that Craig Shuler was lawfully appointed by me as Water Master of Water District No. 13T, and that the information contained in this report, as herein sworn to, is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct.

Cory Spackman  
Director, Department of Water Resources

By Dennis Duman

January 2, 2016

Craig Shuler  
255 W. 4<sup>th</sup> So. St.  
Soda Spring, ID 83276

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Dear water users,

The measuring of wells in the Bancroft-Sand water district commenced on May 9, 2016. Again this reading was before pumping and irrigation had begun. It appeared that it was going to be an early spring; however, the weather turned wet and cool until about the middle of June. Therefore, the demand for ground water was delayed until later in the season.

Of the seven wells I measured, five had water levels above the 2015 level to start the season; however, two wells were below the 2015 level.

As I reported in last years notice the Pond well was being used to water cattle. This required locating another abandoned well in the same general area. The state department of water resources decided on a well east and north of Todd Holbrook's residence. I started measuring this well on July 12<sup>th</sup>. This well is about 200 feet deep, and is the deepest I measure. From July to November the depth varied .95 feet.

The wells generally returned to a more tradit-

itional pattern with the lowest reading occurring in July. On four of the wells this was the case, but on the new Warren & Lloyd well and the Larsen well the low point was in August.

I'm not sure the reason for the low point in water levels in August in 2015 and 2016, but it could be the cool wet springs in both years. Irrigators didn't need the water until later in the summer, and the crops did well with the plentiful rainfall early in the growing season.

Recorded below are my expenses for 2016 that were incurred while monitoring water levels on wells located within the Bancroft-3rd water district.

Travel (4 wheels + p.u.) 440.9 mi @ .54 =	\$238.09
labor 30.5 hrs @ \$14.95/hr =	455.98
unit for drilling hole in capped well	\$38.15
copies + postage	\$4.92
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Best regards,

Craig Shuler

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*Samy Rindalshaber*

A 000 4109

Site Number ....

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
5/9/2016	138.47'	static	st. cap.			139.88'	1.41'		CS.
6/15/2016	137.87'	"	"			139.28'	1.41'	Reading taken by CS. inverter - adjusted cell - not accurate	CS.
7/15/2016	140.38'	pressure	"			141.79'	1.41'		CS.
8/30/2016	133.72'	static	"			135.13'	1.41'		CS.
9/30/2016	132.04'	"	"			133.45'	1.41'		CS.
10/25/2016	133.01'	"	"			134.42'	1.41'		"
11/30/2016	133.96'	"	"			135.37'	1.41'		"

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Don Riegling  
 Pond 1100

Site Number .... A 000 4106

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
5/10/2018	67.76'	Static	Auto Log			67.76'	0'	measured by automatic log	D.S.

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Holston Well  
 A000 A100  
 Site Number ....

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
5/9/2016	71.01'	Static	See top			73.34'	2.33'		
6/5/2016	71.49'	"	"			73.81'	2.33'	Needing to be checked - cold - wet April 2	AS
7/15/2016	72.21'	"	"			74.59'	2.33'		"
8/31/2016	70.13'	"	"			72.46'	2.33'		"
9/29/2016	67.30'	"	"			69.63'	2.33'		"
10/24/2016	66.87'	"	"			69.20'	2.33'		"
11/30/2016	67.27'	"	"			69.62'	2.33'		"

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*Woman to level  
 new well*

Site Number ....

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
5/9/2016	75.08'	Static	Pressure			75.97'	.89		
6/15/2016	76.04'	"	"			76.93	.89		
7/15/2016	84.54'	"	"			85.43'	.89	Reading taken by instrument	CS
8/30/2016	86.94'	"	"			87.83'	.89	Abandoned - well was sprung	"
9/30/2016	83.55'	"	"			84.44'	.89		"
10/25/2016	78.11'	"	"			79.00'	.89		"
1/30/2017	75.03'	"	"			75.92'	.89		"

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Susan D Boyd

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Site Number ....

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
5/9/2016	70.44'	Static	alg. tape			70.64'	2"		
6/15/2016	72.49'	"	"			72.68'	2'	Reading taken before measurement	CS
7/15/2016	86.19'	"	"			86.32'	2'	Reading - cold and advisory	"
8/30/2016	80.44'	"	"			80.64'	2'		"
9/30/2016	75.67'	"	"			75.87'	2'		"
10/25/2016	75.25'	"	"			75.45'	2'		"
11/30/2016	74.38'	"	"			74.58'	2'		"

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Keith J. Long

A 000 4132

Site Number ....

Date	Water Level		Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
	Below LSD									
5/9/2016	48.31'		static	blue tape			48.31'	0'		
6/5/2016	52.79'		"	"			52.79'	0'		
7/15/2016	57.60'		"	"			57.60'	0'	Reading taken before investigation started with cap on spring	CS
8/30/2016	49.50'		"	"			49.50'	0'		"
9/30/2016	49.25'		"	"			49.25'	0'		"
10/25/2016	48.90'		"	"			48.90'	0'		"
11/30/2016	47.20'		"	"			47.20'	0'		"

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Site Number ....

1502 - Jan 1003, Paris Rd  
 Todd Halko

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
7/12/2014	197.15'	"	"			197.40'	.25		
8/30/2014	197.81'	"	"			198.12'	.25		
9/30/2014	198.25'	"	"			198.50'	.25		
10/25/2014	199.29'	"	"			198.54'	.25		
11/20/2014	193.10'	"	"			193.35'	.25		

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*Ray Hansen*  
 Site Number ....

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
5/9/2016	119.62'	"	"			119.75'	.13		
6/15/2016	121.40'	"	"			121.53'	.13		
7/15/2016	124.07'	"	"			124.20'	.13	Reading taken before irrigation begins well - well opening	C.S.
8/30/2016	125.17'	"	"			125.30'	.13		"
9/30/2016	123.49'	"	"			123.62'	.13		"
10/25/2016	122.56'	"	"			122.69'	.13		"
11/30/2016	121.74'	"	"			121.87'	.13		"

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C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
Governor

January 19, 2017

GARY SPACKMAN  
Director

Craig Shuler  
255 W 4<sup>th</sup> So St  
Soda Springs ID 83476

WATER DISTRICT #13T

Dear Watermaster:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the Watermaster's Annual Report for the past season.

The same has been prepared by the watermaster and approved by this Department in conformity with Sections 42-610, 42-614 and 42-615, Idaho Code.

During the 1993 legislative session, the legislature enacted a new law which amends Section 42-619(9), Idaho Code and removes the independent financial audit requirement for most state water districts. The new law, referenced by Section 67-450B, Idaho Code (copy enclosed) identifies minimum audit requirements for all local government entities. Under the new statute, the governing body of any local government entity (i.e.; water district) whose annual budget does not exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) has no minimum audit requirements under this section. This means that any district which handles its own money and whose budget is one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or less does not have to have an independent public account firm conduct a financial audit every few years as previously required by Section 42-619(9).

Please note that only the statutory requirement regarding the independent financial audit has been changed. Districts handling their own fund (i.e.; districts who collect and / or disburse their own funds) must still submit their own statement of the water district's financial affairs at the end of each fiscal year. As recommended in the Department's February 16, 1993 letter and the 1993 Watermaster Handbook, a copy of the financial statement may be submitted either with the annual water masters report or with the minutes of the annual meeting for the ensuing year. An example of an annual financial statement may be found in Appendix C of the 1993 Watermaster Handbook.

The purpose of this letter is to remind all water districts that workers compensation insurance is required for all water district employees. This requirement applies to all water districts in Idaho, regardless of annual budget. Insurance should be applicable at least to all paid water district staff, including the water master as well as watermaster assistants, advisory committee, secretary and treasurer. The costs associated with workers compensation insurance is paid directly by the water district and should be considered an expense of the district. For information about obtaining insurance costs etc., please contact the Idaho State Insurance Fund. The State Insurance Fund has offices in Boise, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Pocatello and Twin Falls. Water Districts are also reminded that all paid water district staff may be subject to state and federal taxes. These tax requirements will vary depending on salaries and total income of each watermaster or employee. In many water districts, particularly smaller districts with part-time staff, payment of watermaster or each employee. Districts may wish to contact the State Tax Commission or the Internal Revenue Service for information about state and federal withholding taxes.

Sincerely,



Sharla Cox  
Administrative Assistant

Enclosure



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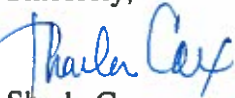
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