

WATERMASTER'S REPORT

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Department of Water Resources
Eastern Region

Water District No. 13T
Name of Watermaster CRAIG Shuler
P.O. Address 255 W 4TH So. St Soda Springs ID 83276

AFFIDAVIT OF WATERMASTER

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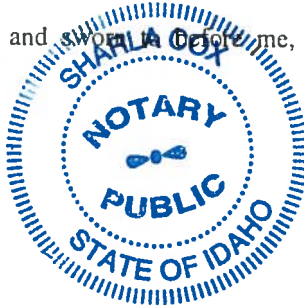
CRAIG Shuler, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Watermaster of Water District 13T, having been lawfully appointed by GARY SPACKMAN, Director, Idaho Department of Water Resources, and that the volumes of water, as stated in this report and prorated by him to the water right holders of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

Craig Shuler

(Deputy) Watermaster District No. _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of January, 2018,
Sharla Cox

Notary Public



(SEAL) My Commission expires Sept 12, 2020

Boise, Idaho, January 22, 2018

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.

Gary Spackman

Director, Department of Water Resources

By Dennis Dunn

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January 6, 2018

Braig Shuler
255 W. of the So. St.
Soda Springs, ID 83276

Dear water users,

The starting date for measuring wells in the Bancroft-Sund water district began on May 29, 2017. The reason for the later start was the above average snow pack and a cool wet spring. Since there was adequate moisture, pumping and irrigation was delayed until later in the spring. Therefore, the first readings were once again taken before irrigation started.

I measured the same seven wells that I measured in 2016. All seven wells at the start of 2017 were above the 2016 start level. I attribute this to an above average snow pack and wet spring. The well's water levels were up an average of 9.46% over 2016 levels. This translated into an average of 7.15 feet of extra ground water over 2016 levels.

Normally, the lowest water levels occur in late July when pumping is at its peak; however, this year the lowest levels took place in late June. I'm wondering if this happened because the water from the Last Chance canal might have been turned out later due to a better snow pack and cool wet weather in the spring? I don't know the turn out date, but this might explain this anomaly.

The Darsen and Halhook wells displayed the traditional low water levels in late July and

August as one would expect. It was just the wells located around the canal that didn't follow the normal pattern.

All in all this was a good water year. The above average snow pack coupled with the cool moisture laden spring seemed to provide adequate ground water for irrigation. In fact, the Rindlisbacher, Halsten, Warren & Lloyd (old well), and Keith & Lloyd wells had the best starting and ending water levels in the 18 years I've been measuring them. This bodes well for the start of the 2018 water season in light of the mild winter we've been experiencing heretofore.

My final measurement of the wells was taken on November 30, 2017. Below I've listed my expenses while monitoring the wells in the Bancroft-Sund water district for 2017.

Travel (4 wheels + p.u.)	480.2 mi @ .53 1/2¢	= \$256.91
labor	33.9 hrs @ \$15.28/hr	= \$518.99
copies + postage		\$5.00
shop towels		\$1.79
total		<u>\$782.69</u>

Best regards,

Ernie Schuler

State of Idaho
 Department of Water Resources
 Ground Water Level Measurement Program

A0004132
 Site Number

Richard ...

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
5/29/17	41.15'	Static	Red Tape			41.15'	0'		CS.
6/30/17	56.60'	Pump	"			56.60'	0'	Measured before irrigation begins, soil wet & spring	CS.
7/31/17	40.63'	"	"			40.63'	0'		CS.
8/1/17	35.91'	Static	"			35.91'	0'		CS.
9/29/17	38.97'	"	"			32.87'	0'		CS.
10/30/17	35.05'	"	"			35.05'	0'	Arms 2 main line loaded with	CS.
11/30/17	35.68'	"	"			35.68'	0'	on # 2 main	CS.

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11223 well
 Warren Lloyd
 Site Number

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
5/29/17	62.41'	Static	Level Staff			63.30'	.89		C.S.
6/26/17	71.49'	Pumped	" "			72.38'	.89	measured before migration started	C.S.
7/21/17	67.93'	Static	" "			68.82'	.89		C.S.
8/31/17	59.90'	" "	" "			60.79'	.89		C.S.
9/29/17	55.51'	" "	" "			56.40'	.89		C.S.
10/29/17	54.83'	" "	" "			55.72'	.89		C.S.
11/29/17	55.39'	" "	" "			56.28'	.89		C.S.

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Site Number

AD000-4100

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
5/29/17	60.27'	"	"			60.00'	2.33'		C.S.
6/30/17	60.29'	"	"			60.62'	2.33'		C.S.
7/31/17	61.27'	"	"			60.60'	2.33'		C.S.
8/31/17	62.82'	"	"			65.95'	2.33'		C.S.
9/29/17	58.87'	"	"			61.20'	2.33'		C.S.
10/30/17	61.51'	"	"			63.84'	2.33'		C.S.
11/30/17	61.97'	"	"			64.30'	2.33'		C.S.

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1002 Field Notes
A0004109

Site Number

Date	Water Level Below LSD	Status	Method	Hold	Cut	Depth Below LSD	Difference MP & LSD	Remarks	Fieldperson Name
7/29/17	133.90'	Open	" "			134.31'	1.41'		CS
6/30/17	141.15'	Pumped	" "			142.56'	1.41'	condition logbook notes investigation	CS
7/31/17	129.46'	Static	" "			130.87'	1.41'	check logbook - not accurate	CS
8/31/17	128.30'	" "	" "			129.71'	1.41'		CS
9/26/17	127.31'	" "	" "			128.72'	1.41'		CS
10/26/17	127.56'	" "	" "			128.97'	1.41'		CS
11/30/17	120.56'	" "	" "			129.97'	1.41'		CS

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C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
Governor

January 22, 2018

GARY SPACKMAN
Director

Craig Shuler
255 W 4th So. St
Soda Springs ID 83276

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,



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Enclosure



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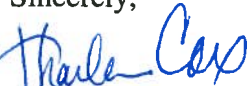
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