

**BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED)
REVISION OF BOUNDARIES OF WATER)
DISTRICT NO. 75A, JESSE CREEK AND)
TRIBUTARIES, TO INCLUDE BILLY)
CREEK AND GORLEY CREEK)
_____)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources (Director or Department) is authorized to divide the state into water districts for the purpose of distributing water among appropriators under the laws of the State of Idaho. Section 42-604, Idaho Code provides authority for the Director to create, revise the boundaries of, or abolish a water district or combine two (2) or more water districts.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 42-604, Idaho Code that the Department will conduct a public hearing regarding the proposed revision of boundaries of Water District No. 75-A (WD75A) to include Billy Creek and Gorley Creek, as follows:

PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED EXPANSION OF WD75-A TO INCLUDE BILLY AND GORLEY CREEKS

**2:00 PM, November 13, 2012, at the Salmon City Hall Council Chambers,
200 Main St., Salmon, ID**

WD75A includes Jesse Creek and tributaries to Jesse Creek, including Pollard Canyon Creek and Chipps Creek. Billy Creek is a tributary to Gorley Creek, and Gorley Creek is a tributary to the Salmon River. Billy and Gorley Creeks are not currently included in any water district. Certain water rights on both Billy and Gorley Creeks are combined with certain water rights from Chipps Creek with respect to total combined rates of diversion and total irrigated acres. Billy and Gorley Creeks should be included in WD75A to provide potential administration of the combined limit conditions under the various water rights from the different water sources. Revising the boundaries of WD75A to include Billy and Gorley Creeks is necessary in order to properly administer the water uses and water rights from these sources.

The Director proposes to revise the boundaries of WD75A to include Billy and Gorley Creeks as shown on the attached map. All water rights in the revised water district boundaries shall be distributed in accordance with partial decrees entered by the Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) District Court or in accordance with water rights recommended by the Director to the SRBA District Court (Director's Report) as may be modified by the court's order.

Information and testimony presented at the hearing on November 13, 2012, will create a record upon which the Director will rely to determine whether the proposed water district boundary revision is appropriate. It is important that holders of water rights understand the proposed action and participate in the hearing process. Tim Luke, IDWR Water Compliance Bureau Chief, will serve as the hearing officer. Persons attending the hearing will be provided an opportunity to make an oral presentation regarding the proposed action. Written comments may be submitted to the hearing officer at the hearing or at any time prior to the close of the written comment period on November 23, 2012. Written comments not presented at the hearing should be sent to the Director, Department of Water Resources, PO Box 83720, Boise, Idaho, 83720-0098.

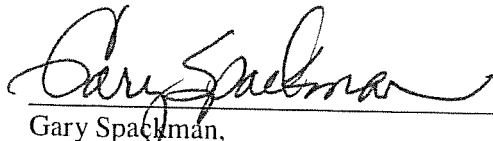
IDWR will present information at the hearing about why it is proposing combining the water districts. The hearing will be held in accordance with IDWR's Rules of Procedures (IDAPA 37.01.01). These rules may be viewed at the Idaho Department of Administration's website, as follows:
<http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/0101.pdf>

The hearing will be conducted in a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Should you require special accommodations in order to attend, participate in or understand the hearing, please contact IDWR at least five (5) days prior to the hearing.

This notice of hearing has been sent to all water right holders of record within WD75A, plus all holders of water rights from Billy Creek and tributaries and Gorley Creek and tributaries.

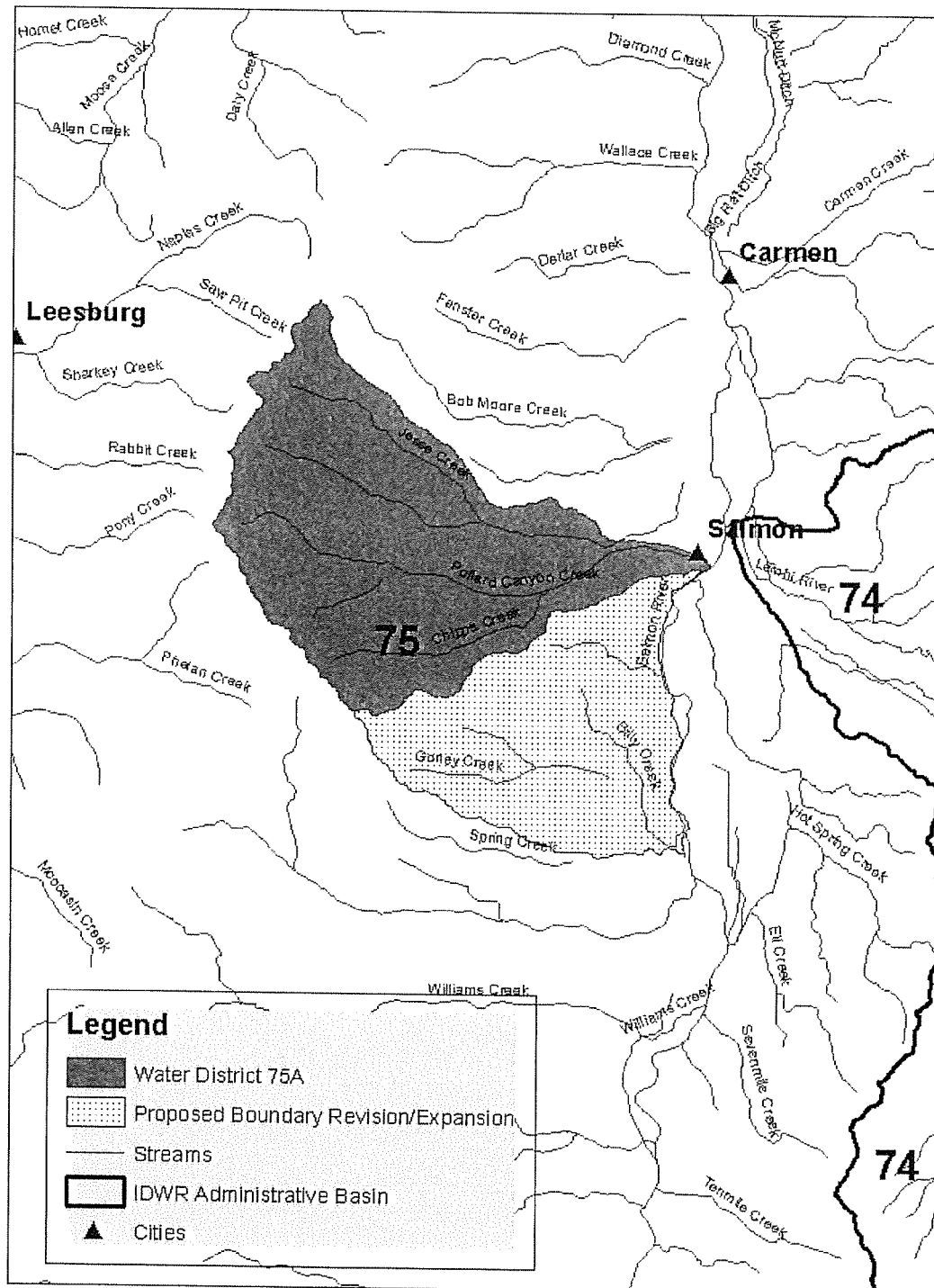
If you have questions concerning this notice, please call the IDWR State Office at (208) 287-4800. You can also contact the Department's regional office in Idaho Falls at (208) 525-7161.

DATED this 23rd day of October, 2012



Gary Spackman,
Director

Attachment A
Proposed Revision of Water District 75-A Boundary



Source: IDWR/T Luke
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1 in = 2 miles

