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Governor

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Director

September 15, 2016

**Re: Preliminary Order Requiring Measuring Devices for Ground Water Diversions in Water District No. 143, Raft River Basin**

Dear Water User,

The Idaho Department of Water Resources ("IDWR") has issued the enclosed Preliminary Order ("Order") requiring installation of measuring devices for ground water rights and diversions within Water District 143, the Raft River Basin. The enclosed Order is a preliminary order pursuant to Section 67-5243, Idaho Code. Any party may file a petition for reconsideration of a preliminary order as explained in the enclosed information sheet.

**Please note that flow meters must be installed on ground water irrigation diversions by the start of the 2018 irrigation season and on non-irrigation diversions by January 1, 2018.** The Order excludes the following ground water uses and diversions unless further notified by IDWR:

- a. Domestic and stockwater uses as defined by Section 42-111, Idaho Code;
- b. Diversions for irrigation uses less than or equal to five (5) acres; and
- c. Non-irrigation uses with a total rate of diversion less than or equal to 0.24 cubic feet per second (approximately 108 gallons per minute).

Please refer to the enclosed documents "*Minimum Acceptable Standards for Open Channel and Closed Conduit Measuring Devices*" and "*List of Approved Closed Conduit Measuring Devices*" for information on types of IDWR acceptable measuring devices. These documents and other information on the topic are available on IDWR's website: [www.idwr.idaho.gov](http://www.idwr.idaho.gov) → Water Data → Water Measurement → Guidelines.

If you have questions concerning this Preliminary Order or IDWR's water measurement standards, please contact the IDWR State office (208-287-4800) or Southern Regional office (208-736-3033).

Respectfully,

Tim Luke  
Water Compliance Bureau

Encl: *Final Order; Explanatory Information to Accompany a Preliminary Order; Minimum Acceptable Standards for Open Channel and Closed Conduit Measuring Devices; List of Approved Closed Conduit Measuring Devices*

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

IN THE MATTER OF REQUIRING MEASURING )  
DEVICES FOR GROUND WATER DIVERSIONS ) **PRELIMINARY ORDER**  
IN WATER DISTRICT No. 143 (RAFT RIVER BASIN) )  
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On December 2, 2015, the Idaho Department of Water Resources (“Department”) issued a *Preliminary Order Creating Water District No. 143* (“Preliminary Order”) for the purpose of administering ground water rights in the Department’s Administrative Basin No. 43. The Preliminary Order excluded ground water rights in Basin 43 used for domestic and stockwater purposes as defined by Idaho Code §§ 42-111 and 42-1401A (11), and ground water rights located within Water District No. 130 overlying the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (“ESPA”).

A primary purpose of a water district is the administration of water rights and distribution of water within the water district by a watermaster. Idaho Code § 42-602. The watermaster delivers the flow rate and/or volume authorized by the water right to the water right holder by measuring diversions and adjusting controlling works. Idaho Code § 42-607. To ensure accuracy of the distribution of water, the Director of the Department can require installation of a measuring device by a water right holder to assist a watermaster in the administration and distribution of water in a water district. Idaho Code § 42-701.

To assist the watermaster of Water District No. 143 (“WD143”) in the administration of ground water rights, ground water right holders must install measuring devices for ground water diversions within WD143.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. On July 23, 1963, the Director (“Director”) of the Department<sup>1</sup> issued an order designating the Raft River Critical Ground Water Area (“RRCGWA”) pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-233a. *Designation of Raft River Critical Ground Water Area* (July 23, 1963). The designated area included ground water located within the entire Raft River drainage area in the Department’s Administrative Basin No. 43, and the Marsh Creek drainage area (Albion Basin) within the Department’s Administrative Basin No. 45. The order stated that, “withdrawals of underground water [are] approaching the estimated amount of water available and there are a number of valid permits outstanding which have not reported.”

2. The boundary of the RRCGWA was modified four times since 1963 following completion of various studies of the Raft River basin. On August 2, 1965, an area on the extreme northern boundary was removed from the RRCGWA. On September 19, 1966, the Albion Basin on the west side of the Raft River Basin was removed. On November 16, 1970, the area north of Yale road was removed. On June 30, 1977, the Elba and Yost-Almo sub-basins were removed.

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<sup>1</sup> At the time, the Department was known as the Idaho Department of Reclamation.

3. On December 2, 2015, the Department issued the Preliminary Order creating WD143, which includes ground water rights in the Department's Administrative Basin No. 43, except ground water rights located in Water District No. 130 overlying the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer and ground water rights used for domestic and stock water purposes as defined by Idaho Code §§ 42-111 and 42-1401A (11).

4. Paragraph four of the Preliminary Order creating WD143 stated the following:

The Department shall issue a separate order requiring the installation of measuring devices and controlling works for water right diversions within WD143.

5. The first annual meeting of the water users of WD143 was held on March 29, 2016. At the meeting, the water users elected a watermaster and selected an advisory committee in accordance with Idaho Code § 42-605.

6. The advisory committee of WD143 met on June 21, 2016. Department representatives and the watermaster were present during the meeting and discussed with the advisory committee the issuance and implementation of a measuring device order for diversions in the water district. The advisory committee recommended a phased approach to compliance with Department measurement orders. Based on discussion with Department representatives, the committee recommended that measuring devices be installed over an approximate two year period so that meters be installed on irrigation wells by the start of the 2018 irrigation season. The committee further recommended exempting measuring device requirements to wells used for irrigation of 5 acres or less, and wells used for non-irrigation purposes where the well diversion rate is less than or equal to 0.24 cubic feet per second ("cfs").

7. The Department's *Minimum Acceptable Standards for Open Channel and Closed Conduit Measuring Devices* ("Minimum Measurement Standards") require installation of a certified flow meter on closed conduit or pipe line diversions. *Minimum Measurement Standards* at p. 2. Many ground water delivery systems pressurize closed conduits to convey and apply the water. The minimum measurement standards allow alternative meters or methods to be employed if such meters or methods "will produce similarly accurate results." *Id.* at p. 2. The power consumption coefficient ("PCC") measurement method is an alternative method that the Department may consider and approve for "qualifying irrigation diversions only." *Id.* at p. 2. The PCC is a ratio of power usage to water withdrawal.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Idaho Code § 42-233a, provides in pertinent part:

42-233a. "CRITICAL GROUND WATER AREA" DEFINED – PUBLIC HEARINGS – PUBLICATION OF NOTICE – GRANTING OR DENIAL OF APPLICATION – APPEAL.

The director may require all water right holders within a critical ground water area to report withdrawals of ground water and other necessary information for the purpose of assisting him in determining available ground water supplies and their usage.

2. Idaho Code § 42-701 provides in pertinent part:

42-701 INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CONTROLLING WORKS AND MEASURING DEVICES BY WATER APPROPRIATORS – PROCEDURE UPON FAILURE TO INSTALL AND MAINTAIN – MEASURING AND REPORTING OF DIVERSIONS – PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY – REPORT FILING FEE.

(1) The appropriators or users of any public waters of the state of Idaho shall maintain to the satisfaction of the director of the department of water resources suitable headgates and controlling works at the point where the water is diverted. Each device shall be of such construction that it can be locked and kept closed by the watermaster or other officer in charge, and shall also be of such construction as to regulate the flow of water at the diversion point. Each such appropriator shall construct and maintain, when required by the director of the department of water resources, a rating flume or other measuring device at such point as is most practical in such canal, ditch, wellhead or pipeline for the purpose of assisting the watermaster or department in determining the amount of water that may be diverted into said canal, ditch, wellhead or pipeline from the stream, well or other source of public water. Plans for such headgates, rating flumes or other measuring devices shall be approved by the department of water resources.

(2) If an appropriator determines that installation and maintenance of a measuring device required by the director would be burdensome for his diversion, the appropriator may, upon approval of the director, execute an agreement with the director and submit to the director such information and technical data concerning the diversion and pumping facilities as the director determines necessary to establish the relationship of power usage to water withdrawal by any pump used to divert public water.

(3) Any appropriator or user of the public waters of the state of Idaho that neglects or refuses to construct or maintain such headgates, controlling works, or measuring devices..., upon receiving ten (10) days' notice from the director of the department of water resources within which to begin and diligently pursue to completion the construction or installation of the required device or devices or to begin and diligently pursue to completion a remedy to such defects as exist in accordance with said notice, then the director of the department of water resources may order the duly qualified and acting watermaster of the water district to shut off and refuse to deliver at the point of diversion, the water owned by such appropriator or user until the user does construct and maintain such headgates, controlling works or measuring devices or remedy the defects which exist or the director may take action pursuant to section 42-1701B, Idaho Code, to enforce the requirement to construct, install or maintain such devices.

(4) The appropriators or users of the public waters of the state of Idaho shall be given a reasonable time within which to complete construction of such headgates, controlling works or measuring devices, depending upon the size and extent thereof, when due diligence has been used in the prosecution of such work.

3. Measurement of diversions is necessary in WD143 for the proper distribution of water and administration of water rights. Measurement of diversions has the following administrative benefits:

- i. Collective quantification of ground water withdrawals assists the director of the Department, the water district and local ground water right holders in determining the available ground water supplies and usage;
  - ii. Quantification of individual ground water withdrawals creates the necessary evidence to ensure ground water rights are used within their authorized diversion limits and that withdrawals can be regulated to the authorized diversion limits of the water rights when such limits are exceeded; and
  - iii. Collective and individual quantification of ground water withdrawals establishes an equitable, defensible and legal basis for determining water user assessments since Idaho law requires that expenses of the water district be based on water delivery.
4. The Director should require the installation of measuring devices for diversions of ground water within WD143.

## ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The holders of water rights in WD143, except those ground water rights, uses and diversions identified below, shall install and maintain on each point of diversion or well, a measuring device of a type acceptable to the Department. **Owners of irrigation wells or diversions that are required to be measured shall install acceptable measuring devices by the start of the 2018 irrigation season. Owners of non-irrigation diversions that are required to be measured shall install acceptable measuring devices by January 1, 2018.**
2. The measuring and reporting required by this order is waived until further notification by the Department for the following ground water uses and diversions:
  - a. Domestic and stockwater uses as defined by Idaho Code §§ 42-111 and 42-1401A(11);
  - b. Diversions of ground water or water systems with multiple diversions irrigating less than or equal to five (5) acres;
  - c. Diversions of ground water or water systems with multiple diversions delivering ground water for any purpose other than irrigation that divert less than or equal to 0.24 cubic feet per second (approximately 108 gallons per minute); and
  - d. Ground water rights located within Water District 130 overlying the ESPA.
3. Measuring devices acceptable to the Department for wells required to be measured shall be flow meters identified in the Department's *List of Approved Closed Conduit Flow Meters* (Version 2.9 updated 8-22-2016) (copy attached). These specifications apply to both irrigation and non-irrigation water uses.

4. The Department will consider a request for variance of the Department-approved flow meter requirement upon submittal of a written plan to the Department. Acceptable variances may include the following methods or devices:

- Development of a PCC, which is a ratio of power usage to water withdrawal. Acceptance of the PCC method may be provided *only for irrigation diversions that consist of one (1) well and one irrigation discharge point or one distinct flow and demand condition, and water levels do not change significantly during the irrigation season (example: a well diverting water to one center pivot only with no end gun, a well diverting water to one wheel line, or multiple wheel lines as long as the same multiple wheel lines are always on at the same time);*
- Timing diversion with an hour meter (time clock) *for one well that discharges to an open ditch or pond where a) discharge is constant and not controlled by valves, b) ground water levels do not change significantly during the annual season of use, and c) the rate of flow is measured annually by a ground water district hydrographer;*
- Measurement with a properly functioning flow meter that was installed *prior to the date of this order, and determined as acceptable by the Department (meters installed prior to the date of this order and included in the Department's List of Approved Closed Conduit Flow Meters version 2.9 are deemed acceptable); and*
- Measurement with a standard open channel measuring device installed in an open channel or ditch for measuring multiple wells in a well field and the measuring device is read daily, or daily flows are recorded by use of a continuous recorder or data logger.

5. Requests for variance must be submitted to the Department and will be considered by the Water District watermaster and the Department on a case-by-case basis. Variances proposing measurement with an existing flow meter or measuring device must satisfy Department criteria and accuracy tests. Existing meters or measuring devices that do not satisfy standards, or that fail, will be required to be replaced with an approved flow meter unless another variance is obtained. Requests for variance must be made using the Department's form "*Request for Variance of IDWR Approved Flow Meter Requirement*" available on the Department's website or upon request.

6. If a user cannot comply with the deadlines in item 1 above, the Department may grant an extension of time. The Department will consider requests for extensions on a case-by-case basis. Requests for extension must be made to the Department in writing. A water right holder may request an extension because of non-use. Non-use may be required by a federal land set aside program, or the water user may be temporarily not diverting as authorized by the water right. In some situations, the Department may exempt a diversion from the measurement requirements of this order. Conditions that may result in an exemption include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- Abandonment, non-use, or consolidation of diversions that results in a diversion being unused; or
- A reduction or change to the water right that results in an authorized diversion rate less than or equal to 0.24 cubic feet per second (cfs) and/or reduces the authorized irrigation use to five acres or less.

7. The requirements of this Order apply to new ground water diversions authorized after the date of this Order, except those ground water uses or diversions identified in items 1 a. through 1d. of this section. This Order does not require the installation of lockable controlling works, although nothing in this Order shall preclude the Director and/or the watermaster from mandating the installation of lockable controlling works on any diversion if such works are determined to be necessary for adequate administration and control of the diversion.

8. The watermaster shall shut off and refuse to deliver water to any ground water user who does not have, or who fails to maintain, an adequate measuring device on a diversion after the start of the 2018 irrigation season (irrigation diversions) or after January 1, 2018 (non-irrigation diversions), unless an extension or exemption has been provided by the Department.

9. The watermaster shall be responsible for the collection and annual reporting of all measurement data for the diversions within water district boundaries subject to this order. All diversions shall be reported to the Department using the Department's WMIS online database application.

Dated this 14 day of September 2016




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MAT WEAVER  
Deputy Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016, the above and foregoing document was served on each individual or entity on the service list for this matter on file at the Idaho Department of Water Resources, 322 East Front Street, Boise, Idaho and [www.idwr.idaho.gov](http://www.idwr.idaho.gov). Each individual or entity on the service list was served by placing a copy of the above and foregoing document in the United States mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed.

Documents served: **Preliminary Order in the Matter of Requiring Measuring Devices for Ground Water Diversions in Water District No. 143 (Raft River Basin)**

  
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**Idaho Department of Water Resources**



## **EXPLANATORY INFORMATION TO ACCOMPANY A PRELIMINARY ORDER**

(To be used in connection with actions when a hearing was **not** held)

(Required by Rule of Procedure 730.02)

The accompanying order or approved document is a "**Preliminary Order**" issued by the department pursuant to section 67-5243, Idaho Code. **It can and will become a final order without further action of the Department of Water Resources ("department") unless a party petitions for reconsideration, files an exception and brief, or requests a hearing as further described below:**

### **PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Any party may file a petition for reconsideration of a preliminary order with the department within fourteen (14) days of the service date of this order. **Note: the petition must be received by the department within this fourteen (14) day period.** The department will act on a petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of its receipt, or the petition will be considered denied by operation of law. See Section 67-5243(3) Idaho Code.

### **EXCEPTIONS AND BRIEFS**

Within fourteen (14) days after: (a) the service date of a preliminary order, (b) the service date of a denial of a petition for reconsideration from this preliminary order, or (c) the failure within twenty-one (21) days to grant or deny a petition for reconsideration from this preliminary order, any party may in writing support or take exceptions to any part of a preliminary order and may file briefs in support of the party's position on any issue in the proceeding with the Director. Otherwise, this preliminary order will become a final order of the agency.

### **REQUEST FOR HEARING**

Unless a right to a hearing before the Department or the Water Resource Board is otherwise provided by statute, any person aggrieved by any final decision, determination, order or action of the Director of the Department and who has not previously been afforded an opportunity for a hearing on the matter may request a hearing pursuant to section 42-1701A(3), Idaho Code. A written petition contesting the action of the Director and requesting a hearing shall be filed within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the denial or conditional approval.

### **ORAL ARGUMENT**

If the Director grants a petition to review the preliminary order, the Director shall allow all parties an opportunity to file briefs in support of or taking exceptions to the preliminary order and may schedule oral argument in the matter before issuing a final order. If oral arguments are to be heard, the Director will within a reasonable time period notify each party of the place, date and hour for the argument of the case. Unless the Director orders otherwise, all oral arguments will be heard in Boise, Idaho.

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

All exceptions, briefs, requests for oral argument and any other matters filed with the Director in connection with the preliminary order shall be served on all other parties to the proceedings in accordance with IDAPA Rules 37.01.01302 and 37.01.01303 (Rules of Procedure 302 and 303).

## FINAL ORDER

The Director will issue a final order within fifty-six (56) days of receipt of the written briefs, oral argument or response to briefs, whichever is later, unless waived by the parties or for good cause shown. The Director may remand the matter for further evidentiary hearings if further factual development of the record is necessary before issuing a final order. The department will serve a copy of the final order on all parties of record.

Section 67-5246(5), Idaho Code, provides as follows:

Unless a different date is stated in a final order, the order is effective fourteen (14) days after its service date if a party has not filed a petition for reconsideration. If a party has filed a petition for reconsideration with the agency head, the final order becomes effective when:

- (a) The petition for reconsideration is disposed of; or
- (b) The petition is deemed denied because the agency head did not dispose of the petition within twenty-one (21) days.

## APPEAL OF FINAL ORDER TO DISTRICT COURT

Pursuant to sections 67-5270 and 67-5272, Idaho Code, if this preliminary order becomes final, any party aggrieved by the final order or orders previously issued in this case may appeal the final order and all previously issued orders in this case to district court by filing a petition in the district court of the county in which:

- i. A hearing was held,
- ii. The final agency action was taken,
- iii. The party seeking review of the order resides, or
- iv. The real property or personal property that was the subject of the agency action is located.

The appeal must be filed within twenty-eight (28) days of this preliminary order becoming final. See section 67-5273, Idaho Code. The filing of an appeal to district court does not itself stay the effectiveness or enforcement of the order under appeal.

**STATE OF IDAHO  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES (IDWR)**

**MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE STANDARDS  
FOR OPEN CHANNEL AND CLOSED CONDUIT  
MEASURING DEVICES**

The source and means of diversion of water, whether surface or ground water, generally affects the selection of a measuring device. Surface water sources such as streams, springs and waste channels are normally diverted into open channels (ditches or canals), but closed conduits (pipes or culverts) are also used. Ground water is usually diverted into closed conduits which convey water from the well to system discharge points such as irrigation sprinkler systems. Ground water may also discharge from a well and short section of pipe to open channels or ditches.

Measuring devices, when required by IDWR, are to be installed at or near the point of diversion from the public water source.

## **I. MEASUREMENTS IN OPEN CHANNELS**

The following discussion is applicable only to diversions from surface water sources. Measurement of a ground water diversion with an open channel measuring device must be pre-approved by IDWR.

### **A. Standard Open Channel Measuring Devices**

All open channel surface water diversions should be measured using one of the following standard open channel flow measuring devices commonly used in Idaho:

- **Weirs:** contracted or suppressed rectangular weirs, Cipolletti weir, 90 degree V-notch weir
- **Flumes:** Parshall flume, trapezoidal flume, ramped flume (ramped, broad-crested weir)
- **Submerged Orifices:** submerged rectangular orifice, constant head orifice
- **Acoustic:** acoustic Doppler flow meter (ADFM), acoustic Doppler current profiler

The installed flow rate accuracy of open channel measurement devices must be +/- 10.0% as compared to an acceptable open channel current meter or other standard portable measuring devices such as an acoustic Doppler flow meter or acoustic Doppler current profiler.

Construction, installation and operation of these devices should follow published guidelines, such as those published by the United States Bureau of Reclamation<sup>1</sup>

### **B. Non-standard open channel devices: Rated Structures or Rated Sections**

Any weir, flume, or other measuring device that has not been constructed, installed, or maintained correctly and therefore does not measure flow in the standard manner consistent with standard rating tables or curves is considered to be a non-standard device. IDWR may authorize the use of non-standard devices and rated sections provided the device or section is rated or calibrated against a set of flow measurements using an acceptable open channel current meter or standard portable open channel measuring device. Examples of standard portable open channel measuring devices include the acoustic Doppler flow meter, the acoustic Doppler current profiler, or a portable flume. These devices are acceptable provided they are installed and operated according to all relevant manufacturer recommendations.

Further information and requirements are available from IDWR upon request.

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<sup>1</sup> The Bureau of Reclamation measurement guidelines can be found at:  
<https://idwr.idaho.gov/files/water-measurement/2001-Bureau-of-Reclamation-Water-Measurement-Manual.pdf>

## II. CLOSED CONDUIT MEASURING DEVICES

The following discussion is applicable to measurement of diversions from any water source that diverts via a full-flowing, closed conduit.

### A. Standard Closed Conduit Measuring Devices

Standard closed conduit measuring devices are flow meters that have been “certified” or approved for use by IDWR based on independent third party testing. IDWR has published a list of meters that have passed testing and are certified for use<sup>2</sup>. Tests were conducted for both accuracy and repeatability on all submitted models, and a pass/fail rating awarded. The *IDWR List of Approved Closed Conduit Flow Meters* (“Approved Flow Meters List”) may be found at:

<https://idwr.idaho.gov/files/water-measurement/approved-flow-meter-list.pdf>

Certified meters must be installed with minimum straight pipe length requirements as specified in the Approved Flow Meters List. Owners or operators who install a certified meter without the minimum straight length spacing requirements, or otherwise inconsistent with manufacturer’s specifications, may need to provide an adequate testing section of straight pipe located somewhere on the diversion system either upstream or downstream of the installed flow meter. This testing section can be excavated pipeline as long as the section of pipe carries all water being measured through the installed flow meter. Water users choosing to expose pipe will be required to excavate the pipe at their expense at the request of the district hydrographer, watermaster and/or IDWR staff.

### B. Non-standard Closed Conduit Measuring Devices: Requests for Variance

In some cases, site conditions preclude use of a certified meter, and another meter or method of measurement may produce similarly accurate results. In cases where the user can show that a proposed alternative meter or method would be as accurate as, or otherwise is better suited to an application than any of the meters on the approved list, a user can propose using an alternative meter or method by submitting a Request for Variance Form, available from IDWR. If a request is submitted and granted, the water user bears the risk that the alternative meter or method will perform as expected.

The following alternate measurement methods may be considered:

- Development of a Power Consumption Coefficient (PCC), which is a ratio of power usage to water withdrawal. Acceptance of the PCC method may be provided *for qualifying irrigation diversions only*;
- Use of an hour meter (time clock) *for qualifying diversions only*;
- Use of an acceptable flow meter that was installed *prior to the date of the measurement order*;

If a meter is already installed, that meter may be used if the meter is field-tested by IDWR staff, the water district watermaster, or a district hydrographer using a portable standard flow meter and upon a determination that the meter is installed properly and accurate to within  $\pm 10\%$  of the rate of flow and volume as measured with a portable standard flow meter. If a non-certified meter is approved and installed but does not pass a field check, IDWR may require the water user to replace the meter with a certified meter at the water user’s expense.

If an alternative method is approved and that method is later found to be insufficient, the variance will be withdrawn and a certified meter will be required to be installed. The suitability of any pumping station for an hour meter or the PCC method of measurement will be based on criteria found in this document, an applicable IDWR water measurement order, and criteria found in the document entitled *IDWR ESPA Water Measurement and Reporting Guidelines*<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>2</sup> Testing was conducted at the Utah Water Research Laboratory (UWRL), a National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable lab in Logan, Utah.

<sup>3</sup> This document can be found at:  
<https://idwr.idaho.gov/files/water-measurement/IDWR-Water-Measurement-Reporting-Guidelines.pdf>

## Idaho Department of Water Resources List of Approved Closed Conduit Flow Meters

The tables below list flow meters that have been independently tested and subsequently approved by the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) for use in closed conduit measurement applications. The approved flow meters were tested by the Utah Water Research Laboratory at Utah State University using NIST<sup>1</sup> traceable instrumentation and subject to IDWR testing standards. Meters on this list performed at or above the IDWR minimum acceptable standards for accuracy when installed in long-run and short-coupled pipe configurations specified by IDWR. Please note that the approved meter list is *model* specific, not manufacturer specific. Prior to selecting and purchasing a meter, consult the manufacturer's installation requirements to ensure that all installation specifications for the specific model can be achieved. The list below is subject to change as additional meters are added or removed. This is the most current list and can be found on the IDWR website at the following URL:

<http://idwr.idaho.gov/files/water-measurement/approved-flow-meter-list.pdf>

**Straight Pipe Length** - The minimum length of unobstructed pipe free of flow disturbers, immediately above and below the meter sensors, spool, or flow tube.

**Flow Disturber** - Any fitting or irregularity in the piping above or below the measuring device sensor location that affects flow patterns through the device or sensor location. Disturbers may include but are not limited to: pump discharges, elbows, check or chemigation valves, butterfly or gate valves, pipe reducers.

### ***IDWR Installation Requirements:***

***Approved full profile magnetic flow meters and spooled ultrasonic flow meters must be installed with a minimum straight pipe length equivalent of three (3) pipe diameters upstream and two (2) pipe diameters downstream from the center of the meter spool.***

***Approved clamp-on and wetted ultrasonic flow meter transducers must be located with a minimum straight pipe equivalent of ten (10) pipe diameters upstream and five (5) pipe diameters downstream of the nearest transducer. Manufacturer specifications for upstream and downstream straight pipe requirements may be greater or less than the IDWR requirements. All other manufacturer installation specifications must be met.***

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<sup>1</sup> NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology.

<b>Approved Full Profile Magnetic Flow Meters*</b>			
<b>Manufacturer</b>	<b>Model/Specifications</b>	<b>Power Supply</b>	<b>IDWR-accepted Pipe Applications (Nominal Pipe Size)</b>
Endress+Hauser	ProMag L400 (L sensor with 400 transmitter)	AC	1" - 90"
Endress+Hauser	ProMag W400 (W sensor with 400 transmitter)	AC	2" - 78"
Siemens	SITRANS FM MAGFLO MAG 5100W w/ 5000 converter	AC	1" to 78"
Siemens	SITRANS FM, MAGFLO 8000, model 7ME6880	DC	1" to 48"
McCrometer	Ultra Mag w/ M-Series Converter	AC	2" to 48"
Badger	M2000 Amplifier w/ M2000 Detector	AC	1/4" to 54"
Khrono	Enviromag 2000 w/ Optiflux 2000 F/G	AC	3/8" to 80"
Khrono	Waterflux 3100C/F	AC	1" to 24"
Rosemount	8705 w/ 8732E transmitter	AC	1/2" to 36"
Burkert	8054/8055 w/ Magflow transmitter	AC	1" to 80"
Seametricst	AG 2000†	DC†	4" to 10"
Seametricst	AG 3000†	DC†	4" to 12"
Seametricst	iMag 4700†	DC†	4" to 12"
Sparling	Tiger Mag W/FM6561051110 Converter	AC	3/8" to 48"
Sensus	iPerl	DC	5/8"-1"
Growsmart by Lindsay	IM3000	DC	2"-12"
ABB	WaterMaster	AC	3/8" to 96"
ABB	AquaMaster 3 with FER series transmitter	DC	½" to 24"

**\*Installations of all approved full profile magnetic flow meters require a minimum straight pipe length of 3 pipe diameters upstream and 2 pipe diameters downstream from the center of the meter spool. † Seametrics AG2000, AG3000 and iMag must be installed with AC power supply and a working battery must remain in the unit**

Approved Spooled Ultrasonic Flow Meters*			
Manufacturer	Model/Specifications	Power Supply	IDWR-accepted Pipe Applications (Nominal Pipe Size)
Master Meter	Octave	DC	2"-10"
Badger	E-Series	DC	3/4"-2"
Netafim	Octave	DC	2"-12"

\*Installation of approved spooled ultrasonic flow meters require a minimum straight pipe length of 3 pipe diameters upstream and 2 pipe diameters downstream from the center of the meter spool.

Approved Clamp-on and Wetted Transducer Ultrasonic Flow Meters*			
Manufacturer	Model/Specifications	Power Supply	IDWR-accepted Pipe Applications (Nominal Pipe Size)
Siemens	CLAMP-ON ULTRASONIC -SITRANS FUS 1010 w/ HIGH PRECISION TRANSDUCERS	AC	14"+
Fuji	Time Delta C w/ 1MHz transducers	AC	14"+
GE Panametrics	AT868 w/ 1MHz transducers	AC	14"+

\* Ultrasonic flow meter transducers must be located with a minimum straight pipe equivalent of ten (10) pipe diameters upstream and five (5) pipe diameters downstream of the nearest transducer.  
 \*\*The meters on the table above may not be used on pipe smaller than 14 inches unless a variance is approved by IDWR.

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GENERAL PARTNERSHIP, MIDWAY DAIRY LLC AND  
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ALVIN E CARPENTER  
2079 E 1700 S  
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GWEN SQUIRES  
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2046 E 600 S  
DECLO ID 83323

CROSS E LAND LLC  
358 S 2750 E  
DECLO ID 83323

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212 S MAIN  
PO BOX 517  
ALBION ID 83311

D L EVANS BANK  
PO BOX 87  
TWIN FALLS ID 83303

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1990 S 2350 E  
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1627 S 2350 E  
PO BOX 631  
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776 E 2975 S  
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PO BOX 175  
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RUPERT ID 83350

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C/O UBS AGRIVEST LLC  
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471 N 300 W  
JEROME ID 83338

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MALTA ID 83342

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PO BOX 126  
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EMMETT ID 83617

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872 E PEBBLE DR  
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406 W SOUTH JORDAN PKWY STE 500  
SOUTH JORDAN UT 84095

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5408 IDYLWILD TRAIL  
BOULDER CO 80301

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2970 E 1400 S  
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WEBB BROTHERS LAND & LIVESTOCK LLC  
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2436 E 1850 S  
MALTA ID 83342

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2045 E 850 S  
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TREMONTON UT 84337

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1424 S 2350 E  
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2252 E 1500 S  
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2201 E 1625 S  
MALTA ID 83342-8600

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2280 E 1625 S  
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3298 E 1400 S  
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STATE OF IDAHO  
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AMERICAN FALLS ID 83211-5569

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TONYA ZOLLINGER  
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MALTA ID 83342

KEVIN W AND TRUDY TRACY  
2262 E 1500 S  
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