



Notice of Hearing - June 21, 2023

The Middle Snake Regional Water Resource Commission will hold a public hearing on the 21st of June 2023 at 1:00pm in conference room A at the Twin Falls County offices located at 830 Addison Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho. The purpose of the hearing is for public input on amendments to the Coordinated Water Resource Management Plan. A summary of the proposed changes to the plan follows and a complete text of the proposed changes can be obtained at the County Clerk's offices in Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, and Twin Falls counties or by going to the Commission's web site at www.midsnakewater.org and clicking on "Proposed Changes". County Clerk's office hours are 9:00am to 5:00PM Monday-Friday except for Gooding County which is closed on Friday.

Proposed revisions to the plan begin on page 22 and end on page 70. Proposed words, sentences, and paragraphs to be deleted are lined through and proposed words, sentences, and paragraphs to be added are underlined. Many additions or deletions to the plan are simply for clarification or to update the document where needed. Wording in the Economic portion of the plan and all tables within have been updated to reflect the most recent data.

Following is a summary of changes to the plan:

- After the situation statement on page 22, the following impacts are now explained on pages 23 and 24: Recharge, Idaho Nuclear Laboratory, Cloud seeding, Climate change.
- Under definitions on page 45, a definition of IPDES permits has been added. These permits replace the NPDES permits defined on page 46.
- A statement on the 2016 agreement between groundwater pumpers and surface irrigators has been added to the first paragraph on page 49.
- Added strategies AO1.d regarding invasive species and AO1.e concerning the Department of Energy on page 52.
- Deleted reference to water spreading under A02.a on page 52 and definition for same on page 54.
- Deleted A03.d dealing with Junior and senior pumpers.
- Added item J on page 70 under Purpose of Commission clarifying the Commissions activities with other groups or organization dealing with water issues in the region.

Any person may attend the hearing and written and/or oral testimony shall be taken. Written testimony may be sent to Bethany Muffley, acting Executive Director at 122 5th Avenue West, Gooding, Idaho 83330 or her email at bmuffley@midsnakewater.org with the subject reading "2023 plan revisions". Written testimony must be received by June 20, 2023.