

DISTRICT COURT - CSRBA  
Fifth Judicial District  
County of Twin Falls - State of Idaho  
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By \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk  
Deputy Clerk

**NOTICE OF FILING  
FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHT CLAIMS  
IN THE COEUR D'ALENE-SPOKANE RIVER BASIN ADJUDICATION  
BASIN 91**

**INTRODUCTION**

Nineteen claims to federal reserved water rights for stockwater have been filed in Basin 91 by the United States of America, on behalf of the Bureau of Land Management with the Coeur d'Alene-Spokane River Basin Adjudication (CSRBA) District Court.

The numbers for these federal reserved water claims are as follows:

91-7730, 91-7731, 91-7732, 91-7733, 91-7734, 91-7735, 91-7736, 91-7737, 91-7738, 91-7739, 91-7740, 91-7741, 91-7742, 91-7743, 91-7744, 91-7745, 91-7746, 91-7747 and 91-7748

***Why am I getting this mailing?***

You are receiving this mailing because you filed one or more claims in the CSRBA which may be affected by the federal reserved claims which have been submitted to the CSRBA Court. IDWR does not investigate or make recommendations for water right claims based on federal law. This is your opportunity to review the federal reserved claims for any possible impact to your water right claims. These claims are available at the CSRBA courthouse in Twin Falls and at the locations listed at the end of this notice.

Copies of the complete report can be made, but you may be charged for copying and mailing. The complete report also can be downloaded from the CSRBA web site at: [www.csrba.idaho.gov](http://www.csrba.idaho.gov). Maps of the reporting area, as well as other information pertaining to the CSRBA can be accessed on the internet (see enclosed "Water Right Research Using IDWR Internet Tools").

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR TAKING A CLAIM TO COURT**

***What do I do if I disagree with a federal reserved water right claim?***

If you disagree with any element of the claim to the federal reversed water rights in Basin 91 and want to be heard in court, file an objection with the CSRBA Court. Objections must be made on the standard objection form ("Standard Form 1") available from any IDWR office or from the CSRBA Court. You may also download a copy of Standard Form 1 from the CSRBA web site at: [www.csrba.idaho.gov](http://www.csrba.idaho.gov).

Your objection to the federal reserved water rights in Basin 91 must be **received** by the CSRBA Court on or before **June 24, 2015**. A copy of the objection must be mailed to the claimant of the water right and the Director of IDWR.

***What may happen if I file an objection to a federal reserved water right claim?***

If an objection to a federal reserved water right claim is filed, the claimant may, but is not required to, file a response to the objection with the CSRBA District Court. The response must be made on the standard response form ("Standard Form 2") available from any IDWR office or from the CSRBA Court. Standard Form 2 may also be downloaded from the CSRBA web site at: [www.csrba.idaho.gov](http://www.csrba.idaho.gov). The response must be **received** by the CSRBA Court on or before **August 25, 2015**. A copy of the response must be mailed to the objector to the water right, the claimant of the water right (if different from the objector), and the Director of IDWR.

***Can I participate in proceedings on an objection filed by someone else to a federal reserved water right claim?***

If you wish to participate in proceedings on an objection filed by someone else to a federal reserved water right claim, then you may file a response to that objection. As noted above, responses must be made on Standard Form 2 available from any IDWR office or from the CSRBA Court. Standard Form 2 may also be downloaded from the CSRBA web site at: [www.csrba.idaho.gov](http://www.csrba.idaho.gov). The response must be **received** by the CSRBA Court on or before **August 25, 2015**. A copy of the response must be mailed to the objector to the water right, the claimant of the water right (if different from the objector), and the Director of IDWR.

***What do I do if I want to participate in the court case on a claim to a federal reserved right?***

If you want to be involved in the court case on a claim to a federal reserved right, you must file either an objection or a response by the dates provided in this notice.

***What happens if there are no objections to the federal reserved water right claims?***

If no objections are filed, an evidentiary hearing on the uncontested federal reserved water right claims in Basin 91 will be held. Partial decrees will be issued following this hearing.

***How will I know about the proceedings on claims to federal reserved water rights to which objections were filed?***

A notice will be mailed to you for court dates on the federal reserved claim if you filed an objection or a response. You will not receive notice of court dates on any other claims to federal reserved rights for which you did not file an objection or a response. Additional information regarding federal reserved water right claims can be found on the CSRBA web site at: [www.csrba.idaho.gov](http://www.csrba.idaho.gov).

**Note:** The CSRBA Court publishes a monthly Docket Sheet listing all objections and responses filed, as well as when Director's Reports are filed. It does not list court dates for individual water right cases, but provides general information helpful to all participants in the CSRBA.

The Docket Sheet is available at your county courthouse and all IDWR offices, or you may subscribe by contacting the CSRBA Court or IDWR. The annual subscription fee is \$7.50. The Docket Sheet is also available on the CSRBA web site at: [www.csrba.idaho.gov](http://www.csrba.idaho.gov).

The register of actions for each water right claim can be found on the CSRBA web site at: [www.csrba.idaho.gov](http://www.csrba.idaho.gov). The register of actions includes links for viewing and/or downloading the documents identified in the register of actions.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

If you have questions about the CSRBA, public information brochures are available at any IDWR office. Maps and aerial photography of the Coeur d'Alene-Spokane River Basin, as well as assistance in using the maps and the photography, are available at the IDWR Northern Regional office. You are also welcome to call IDWR at any of its offices or its adjudication hotline at 1-800-451-4129. You may contact the CSRBA Court, or you may also want to consider contacting an attorney to assist you.

**Coeur d'Alene-Spokane River Basin  
Adjudication District Court**  
253 Third Avenue North  
P.O. Box 2707  
Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-2707  
(208) 736-3011  
[www.csrba.idaho.gov](http://www.csrba.idaho.gov)

**Idaho Department of Water Resources  
Northern Region**  
7600 North Mineral Drive, Suite 100  
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815  
(208) 762-2800

**Shoshone County Courthouse**  
700 Bank Street, Suite 120  
Wallace, ID 83873

**Benewah County Courthouse**  
701 College Avenue, Suite 203  
St. Maries, Idaho 83861

**Kootenai County Courthouse**  
451 Government Way  
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814

**Idaho Department of Water Resources**  
322 East Front Street  
P.O. Box 83720  
Boise, Idaho 83720-0098  
(208) 287-4800  
(800) 451-4129  
[www.idwr.idaho.gov](http://www.idwr.idaho.gov)

**Idaho Department of Water Resources  
Western Region**  
2735 Airport Way  
Boise, Idaho 83705-5082  
(208) 334-2190

**Idaho Department of Water Resources  
Southern Region**  
650 Addison Avenue West, Suite 500  
Twin Falls, Idaho 83301-5858  
(208) 736-3033

**Idaho Department of Water Resources  
Eastern Region**  
900 North Skyline, Suite A  
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402-1718  
(208) 525-7161

## **DEFINITIONS OF THE ELEMENTS OF YOUR WATER RIGHT**

**RIGHT NUMBER:** Your water right is identified by a number assigned by IDWR. The first two digits identify IDWR's administrative basin number; for example, 91, 92, 93, 94 or 95.

**NAME AND ADDRESS:** Your name and address should appear here. IDWR will use the most recent name and address in its records for the water right.

**SOURCE:** The name and/or type of the source where you divert your water. For example: "*ground water,*" "*unnamed spring,*" or "*Common Creek.*"

**QUANTITY:** The amount of water recommended in either cubic feet per second (cfs) and/or the volume of water in acre feet per year (AFY).

**PRIORITY DATE:** The date used to determine the priority of your right in relation to other rights using water from the same source.

**POINT OF DIVERSION:** The legal location where you divert water from its source; generally described as 1/4 1/4 sections down to a 40-acre tract, or smaller. Other legal descriptions that might be used are government lots, block, subdivision, parcel numbers, townsite names, mining claim information, homestead entry surveys, or other survey information.

**PURPOSE OF USE:** The general category of the type of use you can make of your water. Typical purposes of use include irrigation, domestic, or stock watering.

**PERIOD OF USE:** The period of time during the year when you can use the water for your right.

**PLACE OF USE:** The legal location where you use your water right; generally described as 1/4 1/4 sections down to a 40-acre tract. Other legal descriptions that might be used are government lots, block, subdivision, parcel numbers, townsite names, mining claim information, homestead entry surveys, or other survey information.

**BASIS OF CLAIM:** The method that was used to establish your claim. Examples include prior decree, posted notice, beneficial use (historical) method, license, or permit.

IDWR does not investigate or make recommendations regarding federal law based claims.