



BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION TO AMEND RULE 50.01 OF THE CONJUNCTIVE
MANAGEMENT RULES (37.03.11)

INFORMAL RESPONSE TO CLEAR SPRINGS FOOD, INC.'S PETITION TO
AMEND RULE 50

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4. When the Big and Little Lost Rivers are high and may impact the aquifer, the region's demands are satisfied and no call is made. When drought conditions exist and calls are made all water is fully appropriated and in fact many water rights are not filled in our own basins.
5. Delay factors that indicate up to 150 years before benefits may result should warrant a futile call on any petition.
6. The Lost River basins should qualify for the less than 10% impact rule.

Signature: J. C. Sturansen Date: 5-28-11

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Signature: *Nancy Brown* Date: *5/29/2011*

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Duane E. Brown

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