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DEPARTMENT OF  
WATER RESOURCES

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES  
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF ROTATION )  
CREDIT IN WATER DISTRICT 34, )  
BIG LOST RIVER BASIN )  
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NOTICE OF INTENT  
TO PARTICIPATE, AND  
STATEMENT OF POSITION

NOTICE

COMES NOW the water user in Basin 34, Mitchell D. Sorensen, acting in behalf of himself, and hereby gives notice of his intent to participate in the above captioned matter and in response to *the Preliminary Order Suspending Rotation Credit in Water District 34*, issued by Deputy Director Matt Weaver, dated April 29, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the "Order").

STATEMENT OF POSITION

The *Order* correctly seeks to suspend the practice known as "Rotation Credit" as described in SRBA Order Amending Partial Decree for General Provisions in Administrative Basin 34 (General Provision No. 3) and Water Distribution Rules IDAPA 37.03.12.010.12 (Rule 40.02). Specifically, the *Order* suspends the practice of rotation credit in WD 34 for the 2016 irrigation season and indefinitely thereafter, but also provides for the possible re-authorization of the practice by the Department of Water Resources in any subsequent year if the Big Lost River Irrigation District were to provide written consent for the use of its storage facility (the Mackay Reservoir) for that irrigation season and if such written consent were accompanied with a plan of operation that would result in the actual improvement of water use efficiencies facilitated by the rotation for credit practice. I completely SUPPORT the *Order*.

Dated the 1st day of June, 2016.

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Mitchell D. Sorensen  
Basin 34 Water User