

BEFORE THE STATE RECLAMATION ENGINEER

of the
STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF DESIGNATION OF)
CRITICAL GROUND-WATER AREAS UNDER)
the PROVISIONS OF Section 42-233a) ORDER MODIFYING BOUNDARIES
ICA) OF GOOSE CREEK-ROCK CREEK
) CRITICAL GROUND-WATER AREA
)

BY ORDER, dated January 16, 1962, the State Reclamation Engineer, George N. Carter, designated the "Goose Creek-Rock Creek Critical Ground-Water Area" under the provisions of Section 42-233a, Idaho Code. The order described the area as follows:

" . . .beginning at a point on the southerly boundary of the Burley Irrigation District on the line common to Ranges 24 and 25 East; thence southerly on said range line to the westerly boundary of Marsh Creek drainage; thence southerly on said westerly boundary to Harrison Mountain; thence southerly on the easterly boundary of Goose Creek drainage to the south line of the State of Idaho; thence west along said state line to the section line two miles west of the line common to Ranges 18 and 19 East; thence north on said line to the High Line Canal of the Twin Falls Canal Company Irrigation Project; thence easterly along the southerly boundaries of the Twin Falls Canal Company Irrigation Project, Milner Low Lift Irrigation District, Cassia Irrigation District, Snake River and Burley Irrigation district to the point of beginning . . ."

Based upon information from a subsequent cooperative investigation by the Department of Reclamation and the United States Geological Survey, it appeared that some modification of the boundaries could be made to allow further development of the ground water resource while providing for protection of existing rights. The State Reclamation Engineer held a public hearing at Burley, Idaho, August 30, 1967, following publication of legal notice to review his proposed modification as required by Section 42-233a, Idaho Code, as amended by the 39th Idaho Legislature.

From the information presented at the hearing and as a result of investigations made of the ground water resources of the area the State Reclamation Engineer finds that the above-described boundaries can be modified without damage to existing rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED and the boundaries of the Goose Creek-Rock Creek Critical Ground Water Area are hereby modified by designation of the following as critical ground water areas.

(1) The Oakley-Kenyon Critical Ground Water Area described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of Section 19, Township 11 South, Range 22 East; thence east along the section line to the south bank of the Highline Canal of the Burley Irrigation District Project; thence easterly along the southern bank of the said canal to the line common to Ranges 23 and 24 East; thence south along the said range line to the southeast corner of Section 24, Township 14 South, Range 23 East; thence west along the section line to Southwest corner of Section 19, Township 14 South, Range 22 East; thence north along the range line common to Ranges 21 and 22 East, to the point of beginning.

(2) The Cottonwood Critical Ground Water Area described as follows:

Beginning at the Northeast corner of Section 14, Township 12 South, Range 20 East; thence southeasterly along the centerline of the county road (between Oakley and Artesian City) to its intersection with the line common to Ranges 21 and 22 East (at about the E $\frac{1}{4}$ corner of Section 36, Township 13 South, Range 21 East) thence south along the said range line to the southeast corner of Section 36, Township 13 South, Range 21 East; thence west along the line common to Townships 13 and 14 South to the southwest corner of Section 33, Township 13 South, Range 20 East, thence north along the section line to the northwest corner of Section 16, Township 12 South, Range 20 East; thence east along the section line to the point of beginning.

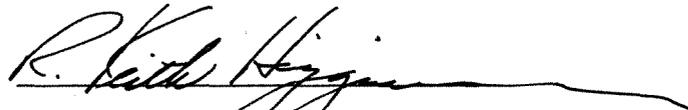
(3) The Artesian City Critical Ground Water Area described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of Section 18, Township 11 South, Range 19 East; thence east along the

section line to the range line common to Ranges 19 and 20 East; thence south along the said range line to the northwest corner of Section 30, Township 11 South, Range 20 East; thence east along the section line to the northeast corner of Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 20 East; thence south along the section line to the southeast corner of Section 11, Township 12 South, Range 20 East; thence west along the section line to the range line common to Ranges 18 and 19 east; thence north along the range line common to Ranges 18 and 19 East to the point of beginning.

There does not appear to be available unappropriated ground water within the boundaries of the three designated areas. Therefore, new appropriations of water shall not be allowed either by permit issued by the Department of Reclamation or by diversion and application to beneficial use. Such prohibition extends from the date of the State Reclamation Engineer's original order of January 16, 1962, and continues in effect for these areas.

This order is effective at 8:00 A. M., this 6th day of September, 1967.


R. KEITH HIGGINSON
State Reclamation Engineer