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COTTONWOOD CREEK DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 4, 2003

The annual meeting of the Cottonwood Creek Distribution System was called to order by Chairman Craig Johansen at 10:08 a.m. Mr. Johansen asked Lee Sim to read the minutes of the 2002 meeting. There were no corrections or additions to be made. A motion was made by Jay Mark Humphrey, and seconded by Gary Kofford, to accept the minutes as read. All present voted in the affirmative. The issue of a measuring device at the Wilsonville Diversion has been resolved for the present time without installing a device.

It was noted that Eugene Johansen passed away since the last meeting, leaving a significant void in his family, Emery County, and the State.

Chairman Johansen asked Lee Sim to review the 2002 Financial Statement. Mr. Sim indicated that as of January 1, 2002, there was \$6944.65 in the Trust Account. Receipts for the year totaled \$18,462.34 which included \$18,264.92 in regular assessments, \$93.46 in delinquent penalties, and \$103.96 in interest. Expenditures for the year totaled \$19,697.58. It should be noted that over expenditure occurred in the contractual services for the assistant commissioner in the amount of \$784.00. This will be repaid to the system. As of December 31, 2002, there was \$5709.41 in the Trust Account. One delinquent account was outstanding in the amount of \$328.97. A motion was made by Gary Kofford, and seconded by Mark H. Williams, to accept the Financial Statement as read. The vote was unanimous.

The next item of business was a brief review of the Commissioner's Report for 2002. Commissioner Magnuson stated that the year began with 38,000 acre-feet of water in Joe's Valley Reservoir and ended with 21,885 acre-feet. A total of 56,906.34 acre-feet of water was diverted above and below Joe's Valley Reservoir. The Cottonwood Creek Consolidated Irrigation Company diverted 24,125.34 acre-feet of water for irrigation purposes. PacifiCorp diverted 11,200 acre-feet of water, of which 8480 acre-feet was used at the Hunter Plant, and 2800 acre-feet was exchanged to the Huntington Drainage. Other diversions totaled 5664.04 acre-feet for irrigation purposes. The Castle Valley Special Service District diverted 966.11 acre-feet for municipal purposes, and 594 acre-feet was used in the winter stock water line. The Cottonwood Creek and Huntington Canal delivered 14,226.85 acre-feet of water to the Huntington drainage, including the UP&L exchange water.

It was mentioned that the Black Canyon Users are being required to install a headgate and Parshall Flume to regulate their diversion of water in the future. Those users were concerned that they were being singled out when others need to make similar improvements. They also asked that the commissioner regulate their diversion rather than the deputy. No decision was made concerning who would make the readings.

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According to the NRCS Snotel data for this date, there is 61% of the average snow water equivalent at the Seely Creek station. Red Pine Ridge is 67%, and 74% is reported at the Mammoth-Cottonwood site. The March 1, 2003 stream flow forecast which was available prior to the preparation of these minutes indicate the inflow to Joe's Valley Reservoir is predicted to be 34,000 acre-feet, which is 59% of average. A motion was made by Kyle Singleton, and seconded by Mark H. Williams, to accept the Commissioner's Report. The motion passed.

Mr. Johansen indicated to the group that according to 2002 NRCS data, there was an anticipated runoff of 34,000 acre-feet of water. The water that was received was approximately 18,000 acre-feet. The long term average is 73,400 acre feet. Other significant drought years were: 1934/24,000 acre-feet; 1959/31,000 acre-feet; 1961/35,000 acre-feet; and 1977/22,000 acre-feet. The drought we are in is getting very serious.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion of the Commissioner's performance of duties during the irrigation season. Several questions regarding calls for water, and the normal daily activities were asked of, and answered by Commissioner Magnuson. The general attitude was that the Commissioner was doing a good job.

Chairman Johansen conducted the next item of business, which was the preparation of a budget for 2003. After some discussion the following budget was prepared:

Commissioner's Salary	\$10,750.00
Contractual Services	2400.00
Social Security	822.00
Retirement	1300.00
Travel Expense	2500.00
State Engineer's Assessment	941.00
Insurance	200.00
Annual Report	150.00
Miscellaneous	300.00
Total	\$19,363.00

A motion was made by Gary Kofford to accept the budget as prepared, and to set the assessment at \$19,000.00. Jay Mark Humphrey seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

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The appointment of a committee was the next item of business brought before the water users. A motion was made by Darce Guymon to suspend the rules and to retain those individuals who served the system in 2002 for another year of service. Jay Mark Humphrey seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Therefore, the 2003 Committee is as follows:

Craig Johansen	Chairman
Blaine Tuttle	CCCIC
Kyle Singleton	Industrial Users
Gary Kofford	Upper Users
Mark H. Williams	Lower Users

With no further business, Chairman Johansen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Kyle Singleton seconded the motion, and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Those present at the meeting included the following:

Craig Johansen	Chairman/CCCIC
Clyde J. Magnuson	Cottonwood Creek Commissioner
Mark H. Williams	Mill Ditch
Darce Guymon	PacifiCorp
Jay Mark Humphrey	Emery Water Conservancy District
Kyle Singleton	PacifiCorp
Art Olsen	Black Canyon Ditch
Gary Kofford	Joe's Valley Culinary Water Company
Darrel Leamaster	Castle Valley Special Service District
Earl Fillmore	Huntington Ditch
Lee Sim	Division of Water Rights - SLC
Gertrudys Adkins	Division of Water Rights - SLC
Mark Page	Division of Water Rights - Price

ADDENDUM

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Prior to the annual Water Users Meeting, Chairman Craig Johansen, Commissioner Clyde Magnuson, and Lee Sim, Gertrudys Adkins, and Mark Page from the Division of Water Rights, met with Mark H. Williams of the Mill Ditch. Mr. Williams paid their assessment for 2002, under protest, because he felt they had not received their share of the primary water.

The Chairman asked that a water master be appointed to coordinate the delivery of water with the Commissioner. The water master should keep the diversion clear of obstructions, keep the water gate closed, and monitor beaver activity that may affect the delivery. The Commissioner will work harder to see that the appropriate amount of water is delivered to the Mill Ditch, and that the fluctuations in the flow are minimized. He indicated that the Cottonwood System is regulated every Tuesday. Water is delivered based on flows stored in Joe's Valley Reservoir the prior week.