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Parowan Water User:

Dear Water User:

As discussed in past annual meetings, the method of regulating water use in the Parowan area will change starting with the 2011 season. The previous method of regulation based on electrical meter readings will be replaced by regulation based on mapped irrigated acres. Over the last 2 years, the Division completed an extensive mapping effort using aerial photos and the Division of Water Rights records. The new method will be more accurate and representative of actual farming being conducted in the area.

In the process of shifting to the new map based regulation, we reviewed the distribution assessment accounts and determined a number of changes were needed. There are accounts being added, and in some cases combined with other accounts, based on farm operations. Also some accounts were dropped.

In addition, a new water commissioner will be appointed this year to manage the mapping and field inspection efforts. We encourage your attendance and participation in the annual meeting set for February 15 at 4 PM at the county office building, please see the announcement enclosed.

Sincerely,

Mike Silva
Distribution Engineer

Enclosure: Meeting Announcement
Cc: Southwestern Regional office

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