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**NOTICE TO THE WATER USERS IN THE MEADOWVILLE AREA**

The next meeting of the water users in the Meadowville area and representatives from the Division of Water Rights will be held **Wednesday, April 11, 2001, at 11:00 a.m., at:**

Garden City Offices  
145 W Center  
Garden City UT

The following is a summary of the meeting held on March 30, 2001.

Quite a bit of discussion about individual questions concerning the water rights for the water users present at the meeting - when could they take the water etc. Bob Fotheringham. was able to respond to most of the questions. There still remains quite a bit of confusion because of the way the Water User Claims were taken and how the Proposed Determination of Water Rights was compiled .

It also became clear that it would be very helpful if it was known who currently owned and/or was currently irrigating each parcel of land. Knowing this and using the maps, the allocation of the water rights to the current owners probably could be worked out. It was suggested that each water user take the map that was sent to them and color in their particular parcels of ground. Each water user would then give their map to the new commissioner who would make a master map (in coordination with the Division of Water Rights). The commissioner and the division would try to develop an up-to-date delivery schedule that would make it easier for everyone to understand how the water is to be distributed. It was emphasized however that this would not constitute an update of the ownership of their water rights - it would simply be an effort to improve distribution. Title updates would require a report of conveyance prepared by a professional in almost every instance in this area.

There were two names suggested at the meeting who might be able and willing to serve as commissioner - Chad Peart and Tom Weston. The water users will try to talk with these men before the next meeting.

Discussion on the budget and salary for the commissioner. Generally the compensation would be around \$2000. Proposed that it be split up as a flat \$200/ month for 6 months and then \$5.00 per hour on top of that for each hour the commissioner worked on the system. There was some discussion about paying mileage, but that issue was not resolved. It was generally agreed that the

time when a commissioner would be needed in the area would start at April 1 and would be over by the middle to the end of June.

It was agreed that measuring devices would not be required to be installed this year, but probably would be required next year. The water users will indicate on their maps (when they are coloring their parcels) the locations where they believe that measuring devices are needed in the area.

The purpose of the next meeting will be to continue a discussion of these issues.

If you have any questions or comments prior to the meeting, please contact me at (801)538-7380 or Bob Fotheringham, Regional Engineer, at (435)752-8755.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee H. Sim". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and "S".

Lee H. Sim, P.E.

Assistant State Engineer for Distribution

cc: Bob Fotheringham  
Ron Hoffman