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Re: Summit Creek Distribution System Method of Assessment

Dear Lynn:

I did some checking after our phone conversation and found that what I told you is correct. Assessments are calculated based upon the water rights of record in our office. Specifically, the percentage of assessment for each water user is a ratio of the cfs rate allowed by his water right(s) to the total cfs which the rights allow to be diverted from the system. This fixed percentage is used each year to calculate the amount of each water users assessment. Also there is a \$5.00 minimum assessment. The following is a list of the water users and the percentage of the assessment they currently pay. This will be changed slightly with the addition of the Benson Water Culinary Improvement District.

<u>ACCT NO</u>	<u>WATER USER</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE OF ASSESSMENT</u>
1	Smithfield Irrigation Co.	47.08
2	Smithfield No. Bench Irrig. Co.	36.88
3	Smithfield City	14.06
4	Hyde Park City	1.85
5	Dorris Roskelly	0.01
6	George Weeks	0.01
7	Wesley Keller	0.01
8	Robert David Simpson	0.01
9	Oral Ballam	0.01
10	Don Meikle	0.01
11	Richard Waters	0.01
12	Keith Nilson	0.01
13	Dale Nilson	0.01
14	Dale Nilson	0.01
15	Gerald Miles	0.01
16	Robert Cronquist	0.01
17	Ryan Dupont	0.01
		<u>100.00</u>

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As I told you, there is another method which could be used to calculate the assessments. It is to base the assessment upon the amount of water which was delivered in the previous year (1993 assessments would be based upon the amount of water diverted in 1992). The fixed percentage (based on water rights) method of assessment has been used since the distribution system was set up because there have not been reliable diversion records. The quality of annual report is now good enough that the method of assessment could be changed. This is a decision which would have to be made by the water users. Perhaps it can be discussed at the annual meeting next year.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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