

November 19, 1958

Mr. Leland Strong, Commissioner
Beaver River System
Box 165
Beaver City, Utah

Dear Lee:

Re: Beaver River System

This office, in cooperation with the Attorney General, plans court-action in the near future to collect all delinquent Beaver River System assessments and while it is an imposition on you it would benefit all concerned if you could pass along such information.

In reviewing these "delinquencies" it is noted that two recent problems have not been clarified as yet, i.e.,

- (1) The name and address of the water user who owns the 4-acres of ground involved in the Minerva E. Nowers, estate (my letter to Mr. Malden Nowers, dated Nov. 4, 1958)
- (2) The Gladys Oakden account No. 95 (Noted in my letter dated October 16, 1958)

As of this date I have transferred these water rights to Mr. Roy Yardley and they will be included within his 1959 assessment, unless you advise me differently.

Please advise me regarding the above questions as soon as possible and any other matter you may have before we go into court.

Also, we are preparing for the 1958 Budgets of the various River Systems and while the following is specifically my own thinking I am also sure that the rest of the office recognizes your past work performance as a commissioner. The Beaver River Water Users now have a three-year investment in you and should probably consider a cost-of-living increase for your 1959 Budget of expenses, so if you plan any salary, travel or other budget item changes it is suggested that you review such matters immediately with the Executive Committee so that both you and they will be in agreement prior to the Annual Water Users Meeting.

Again, as I pointed out above, this is my own thinking and it would be appreciated if this was kept on a confidential basis.

Very truly yours,

Frank Reese
Chief Accountant

FR:rip

P.S. (Please answer this one)

ANALYSIS OF ESTIMATED WATER SUPPLY ON BEAVER RIVER, UTAH - 1958

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	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	cfs
April												
Suggested	3,000	2,000	1,000	500	1,500	4,500	-3,000	18,000	3,000	15,000	7,500	150
1958	3,480				4,210						7,810	131
1957	1,989				1,710						711	12
May												
Suggested	23,000	15,000	8,000	9,500	17,500	9,000	8,500	26,500	3,000	20,500	12,000	194
1958	19,280				11,890						11,670	190
1957	6,644				1,500						2,430	39.5
June												
Suggested	21,500	15,000	6,500	10,000	16,500	12,000	4,500	31,000	1,000	24,000	13,000	217
1958	12,470				4,940						7,310	123
1957	22,716				19,320						5,230	87.9
July												
Suggested	3,500	3,500	0	2,500	6,000	6,000	0	31,000	2,000	22,000	8,000	129
1958	6,510				351						8,080	131
1957	7,909				1,750						6,230	101

^{1/} Estimated from snow survey data and U.S.W.B. report of April 1, 1958

^{2/} Estimated by Lee Strong, Water Commissioner, as maximum

^{3/} April - June estimate of U.S.W.B. is 35,000 a.f.

^{4/} Estimated as maximum needs of users below Reservoir by Stanley McKnight 4/1/58

^{5/} Maximum safe elevation assumed to be 52 feet or 24,000 a.f.

^{6/} Column 7 plus column 10

November 7, 1958

Mr. Roy Yardley
Beaver City, Utah

Dear Mr. Yardley:

Re: Beaver River System
(Account No.'s, 145-A;
145-B; 145-C)

In reviewing the calculations of the 1958 Beaver River System assessments an error was discovered which pertain to account No.'s 145-A, Wallace Yardley; 145-B, Ira Yardley and 145-C, Roy Yardley.

The water rights involved were those formerly owned by Mary V. Mardock, Beaver City, Utah and which the Commissioner, Mr. Lee Strong, advised this office on October 21, 1957 to transfer to your personal account. Inadvertently they were included within Mr. Wallace and Ira Yardley's 1958 assessments.

These three accounts which are fully paid up for 1958 will be adjusted in the 1959 assessment.

For your information the 1958 assessment should have been: Mr. Wallace Yardley - \$66.71; Mr. Ira Yardley - \$66.71 and Mr. Roy Yardley - \$92.90; as it was calculated by this office each user was assessed and paid \$75.44.

It is sincerely hoped that this error for which apologies are offered can be adjusted amicably, either by yourselves or by this office during the 1959 annual water user's meeting.

Very truly yours,

Frank Reese
Chief Accountant

FR:rip
cc - Mr. Ira Yardley, Mr. Wallace Yardley,
Mr. Lee Strong, Commissioner,
Beaver City, Utah

November 5, 1958

Mr. C. Victor Smith, Secretary,
Beaver River Water Users
Beaver City, Utah

Dear Mr. Smith:

Re: Beaver River Decree,
November 13, 1931

This office wishes to obtain two copies of the Beaver River Decree, to wit: Civil No. 625; W. L. Hardy, et al., Plaintiffs, vs. Beaver County Irrigation Company, a corporation, et al., Defendants, Edward Bardsley, et al., Interveners. Also, the Amendments to such Decree.

Would you please advise me if it is at all possible to obtain such copies, and what the cost would be.

Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Frank Reese
Chief Accountant

FR:rip

cc - Mr. Lee Strong, Commissioner
Beaver River Distribution System
Box 165
Beaver, Utah

November 4, 1958

Mr. Selden Howers
P. O. Box 174
Beaver City, Utah

Dear Mr. Howers:

Re: Beaver River Distribution
System (Account No. 94)

Thank you for your letter and check, submitted in payment of certain water rights pertaining to the Minerva R. Howers, estate, which have now been transferred to you as noted by the attached official receipt.

For your information, the records of this office listed the estate as having .16 c.f.s. of water for 9 acres of ground and you are now listed as owning .09 c.f.s. and 5 acres of ground of this particular decreed water right.

If it is possible will you please let me know the name and address of the person owning the remaining 4 acres of ground.

Very truly yours,

Frank Reese
Chief Accountant

FR:rip
Enclosure: Receipt No. 00193
CC - Mr. Lee Strong, Commissioner
Beaver River Distribution System
Box 165
Beaver, Utah

Mr. Bob Howers
Beaver, Utah

October 16, 1958

Mr. Leland Strong, Commissioner
Beaver River System
Box 165
Beaver, Utah

Dear Lee:

Re: Beaver River System
(Account No.'s 95 & 96)

The attached letter is forwarded for clarification of this office and I am also attaching a "data" sheet listing the two Oarden accounts which appear to be involved.

Account No. 96, was just paid for by Mrs. Stan Oarden.

Account No. 95 was delinquent for \$9.13 for which it is assumed that Mr. Roy Yardley's check in the same amount was submitted and which he refers to as "Stan Oarden's water in the Patterson Ditch".

I do not understand what Mr. Yardley is referring to as the "A" water on South Creek.

Upon receipt of your reply I will then change my records accordingly.

Very truly yours,

Frank Reese
Chief Accountant

PH:rlp
cc - Mr. Roy Yardley
Beaver, Utah

October 16, 1958

** DATA SHEET **

<u>S/E ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>DECREE NO.</u>	<u>PRIORITY</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u> <u>c.f.s.</u>
No. 95 - Gladys Oakden Beaver, Utah	39a	1870	.75
	39b	1890	.38
No. 96 - Charles S. Oakden c/o Stan Oakden Box 292, Beaver, Utah	60a	1870	.32
	60b	1890	.23
	60c	1903	.16
	60d	1890	.36
	60e	1903	.26



THE STATE OF UTAH
OFFICE OF STATE ENGINEER
SALT LAKE CITY

WAYNE D. CRIDDLE
STATE ENGINEER

July 15, 1958

Mr. Leland Strong, Commissioner
Beaver River System
Box 165
Beaver, Utah

RE: Beaver River System
(Account No. 99)

Dear Lee:

Can you help me in getting the George A. Parkinson, estate, account straightened out as soon as possible inasmuch as we are planning court action against all delinquents in the very near future?

My records pertaining to this particular account show the following information:

<u>Decree No.</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>C.F.S.</u>
31a	1870	.66
31b	1890	.50

and the details I need are the addresses of the new owners and the exact amount of c.f.s. each one now has a right to.

Attached is a photo-copy of a letter and the 1958 assessment notice. I do not have the original letter which I believe was turned over to Don Norseth to handle directly with you.

Hope you and your family are well and that business is real good.

Very truly yours,

Frank Reese
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT

FR: ja

Attachment

cc: D. C. Norseth ✓
Office

July 31, 1950

Mr. Leland Strong, Commissioner
Beaver River Distribution System
Box 165
Beaver, Utah

Dear Lee:

Re: Beaver River Distribution
System (Account No. 99, George
A. Parkinson, Estate, tr. to
New owners)

Thank you for the data and information you submitted to this office pertaining to the above account. It was most helpful in determining the amount involved for each of the new owners and there is attached a work sheet listing such detail for your information.

Based on the fact that the yearly assessment is calculated from the amount of water delivered the previous year it would appear that Ethel P. Woolsey and Robert Christensen should pay the amounts listed on the attached notices.

In regards to the Earl T. Smith account, it is problematical as to who will pay this delinquency. It is assumed that the George A. Parkinson, estate, received the water and therefore should pay the assessment of \$11.56, however, since the property has been sold and they have no further interest and in order to protect against court action Mr. Smith would probably want to clear this matter up.

It is not a policy of this office to request Commissioners to collect assessments, but in this case would you please contact the parties involved and if possible forward no full payment before the Attorney-General takes whatever action he must to collect all Beaver River System Delinquent assessments.

Thanks again for the trouble this is causing but I am trying to help these people before it costs them additional expense.
Best regards.

Very truly yours,

Frank Eason
Chief Accountant

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Encl.

April 3, 1953

Rocky Ford Irrigation Co.
c/o Stanley McNight
Minersville, Utah

Beaver River Distributors

Gentlemen:

On April 1, 1953 your Mr. McNight met with Mr. Lee Stroup, Beaver River Water Commissioner, Clifton Johnson, Beekplate Valley Water Commissioner, and myself at Denver to discuss operation of Rocky Ford Dam this year during which heavy runoff is expected. At that meeting, we set up a tentative operation schedule. After returning here, we found additional data available and revised the schedule somewhat. This revised schedule, which was discussed with John Boyden today, is attached.

You will note that we are using a forecasted April to September runoff of 95,000 acre-feet. It is our desire to handle this runoff so that a minimum of danger will exist to the dam but also allow the reservoir to be filled to a safe height of 55 feet so that a complete test of the dam will result this year.

Therefore, we are requesting that the release schedule shown on the table be followed for April and May (i.e. a total of 7,000 acre-feet during April and 12,000 acre-feet during May). At the end of May we will take another look and may revise the release schedule during the balance of the season.

It is requested that the flow down the river channel below your dam be restricted to 10 c.f.s. for the first day and increased over the second or third day to allow flows downstream to clear the channel. A copy of this letter and schedule is being to the Beaver River Commissioners so they can take whatever action is necessary to check rock, culverts, etc.

We are asking Mr. Stroup and Mr. Johnson to work closely with you on this problem and this office will be glad to assist in any way possible. However, we do request that immediate steps be taken to make space available for the tremendous quantity of water which we know is coming and which we fear may endanger your structure if no action is taken.

We are, of course, expecting that records of water levels in the observation wells and seepage measurements be continued throughout the high water period. If these data are withheld, the results may indicate what restrictions, if any, will be necessary on storage in the future. In this connection, it is recommended that the seepage measuring wells be repaired so that there will be no question of the results obtained.

Very truly yours,

CC/arc

Wayne B. Criddle

CC: Lee Stroup
John Boyden
Utah Water & Power Board
Beaver County Commissioners
Clifton Johnson

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											Volume ^{7/}		
	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	a.f.	cfs.	
March	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21,000 ^{5/}	—	—	—	—	—
April	3,000	2,000	1,000	500	1,500	4,500	-3,000	18,000	3,000	15,000	7,500	150 ^{8/}	
May	23,000	15,000	8,000	9,500	17,500	9,000	8,500	26,500	3,000	20,500	12,000	194	
June	21,500	15,000	6,500	10,000	16,500	12,000	4,500	31,000	1,000	24,000	13,000	217	
July	3,500	3,500	0	2,500	6,000	6,000	0	31,000	2,000	22,000	8,000	129	
Aug.	2,000	2,000	0	3,000	5,000	6,000	-3,000	30,000	2,000	19,000	8,000	129	
Sept.	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	4,000	3,000	1,000	31,000	2,000	18,000	5,000	84	
Total	55,000	39,500	15,500	27,500	50,500	40,500	10,000	-----	13,000	-----	53,500		

^{1/} Estimated from snow survey data and U.S.W.B. report of April 1, 1958

^{2/} " by Lee Strong, Water Commissioner, as maximum

^{3/} April - June estimate of U.S.W.B. is 35,000 a.f.

^{4/} Estimated as maximum needs of users below Reservoir by Stanley McKnight 4/1/58

^{5/} Contents of reservoir as of March 31, 1958

^{6/} Maximum safe elevation assumed to be 52 feet or 24,000 a.f.

^{7/} Column 7 plus column 10

^{8/} Based on 25-day release period

February 24, 1958

American Surety Company
1212-17 Walker Bank Building
Salt Lake City 12, Utah

Gentlemen:

Re: Beaver River Distribution
System, Surety Bond

Mr. Glyce Leland Strong, Box 165, Beaver, Utah has been recommended to the State Engineer of Utah to act in the capacity of Water Commissioner of the Beaver River Distribution System from March 1, 1958 to March 1, 1959.

It is requested that your company issue a new surety bond or a continuation certificate of Mr. Strong's previous bond, whichever is your company policy covering the above period in the principal amount of \$2,000.00 and mail the same to this office for processing.

It is understood by this office that any commission credit that may be due will be paid to your local representative in the area in which Mr. Strong lives.

Payment of the annual premium will be made after approval of the bond by the State of Utah and upon receipt of your invoice in duplicate.

Very truly yours,

T. Vinton Smith
Assistant Chief Accountant

TVS:rdp



THE STATE OF UTAH
OFFICE OF STATE ENGINEER

SALT LAKE CITY

January 21, 1958

Beaver
WAYNE D. CRIDDLE
STATE ENGINEER

Dear Sir:

The State Engineer's administrative expense item in all river system budgets and the need for its continuation has been analyzed.

In an effort to aid the water users in keeping their operation budgets as low as possible, the State Engineer believes that this item may be suspended from the river system budgets for a two-year trial period.

As we currently have a small surplus in this fund, service by this office will be continued as before. Financing of such services will be taken from the bank reserves of the State Engineer's river system administrative fund. During this period, a critical analysis will be made of all administrative and service expenses that should legitimately be charged against this fund.

At the end of this trial period, depending upon current conditions, it will then be decided if it is necessary to ask all river systems to again add this item to their budgets or if we can handle the costs from general administrative funds.

Your cooperation during and after this experimental period will be sincerely appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Donald C. Norseth
DISTRIBUTION ENGINEER

DCN: ja