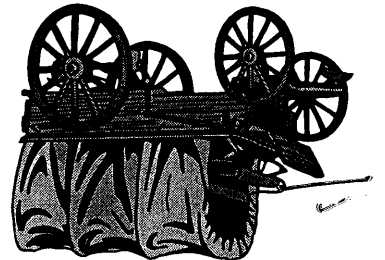


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RE: Request for Legislative Briefing Regarding Urban Stormwater

Dear Norm:

We believe the recent Water Delivery Challenges Summit we requested IWUA to conduct proved to be an enormously successful and critical first step in addressing the growing problem of rural-urban interface encroachment and water delivery challenges. Thank you for honoring our request.

It is clear from the Summit that these kinds of issues now exist statewide and continue to grow in number and complexity. Certainly, they will continue to pose an increasing variety of future challenges to both the water user community and local governments. That also means the potential for further costly legal conflicts.

Therefore, Pioneer Irrigation District strongly feels that the statewide nature of the issue makes it entirely appropriate for members of the Idaho Legislature to be provided an overview of the situation. Accordingly, we request that the Idaho Water Users Association organize a special legislative informational and advisory briefing to be held immediately after the Legislature convenes in January. The goal would be to provide key legislators with an understanding of the issues involved and their potential risks to the irrigation community.

Let us be clear - we are not asking for legislation to be initiated. Rather, we seek to provide Idaho legislators a clearer, focused legislative awareness and understanding of the complex issues identified during the Summit. We feel it is both warranted and necessary if Idaho is to find and implement long term solutions to rural and urban water delivery challenges.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,
Alan Newbill

Alan Newbill
President of the Board of Directors