

DRINKING WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DEQ State Office, 1410 N. Hilton Street, Boise
Conference Room B
May 31, 2007 – 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

AGENDA

8:30 – 9:00

- Call to Order and Welcome John Wiskus
 - Introductions
 - Review minutes of January 23, 2007 meeting
 - Review agenda topics
 - 2006 Drinking Water Program Review

9:00 – 9:30

- Revisit Financial Forecast Lance Nielsen
 - No change
 - Expenses exceed income
 - Carryover reserves will be exhausted in approximately 2013
 - Evaluation needed for future funding sources
 - General Fund •Increased connection fee
 - Other Fees
 - Congressional Budget impacts on third party service providers

9:30 – 10:15

- Drinking Water Information on DEQ Website Lance Nielsen/Don Lee
 - Review website for usability/user friendliness
 - Access to regulations and guidance

10:15 – 10:30 BREAK

10:30 – 11:15

- Operator Certification Topics Bob Hansen
 - Reciprocity with neighboring states
 - Temporary or provisional licenses for ungraded systems
 - Summary of licensing requirements
 - Instructor approval process

11:15 – 12:15

- Idaho Public Utility Commission Concerns Bob Hansen
 - PUC does not allow systems they regulate to accrue funds for depreciation, reserves, or capital replacement.
 - DEQ regulations (IDAPA 58.01.08.500.02.b) require revenues for depreciation, reserves and capital replacement, unless the requirement is in conflict with the IPUC.
 - Is this a sustainability issue the DWAC should address?

12:15 – 1:15 WORKING LUNCH – General Discussion

1:15 – 1:30

- Mutual Aid Agreements – Water Area Response Networks Don Lee
—Status Report

1:30 – 1:45

- On-going Engineering and Scientist Vacancies Lance Nielsen
— Impact of military activations
—Medical leaves
—Recruitment challenges

1:45 – 2:15

- Regulatory Status Lance Nielsen
—LT2, State 2 → 2008 Legislature
—Groundwater Rule
—Total Coliform Rule/Distribution System Rule
—Engineer workshop today on new Drinking Water & Wastewater Facility Design Standards, and Reuse Rules

2:15 – 2:30

- Wrap-up/Action Items John Wiskus
— Review action items
—Schedule next meeting