

Small group meeting for WRWC: 1/11/16

- 1) Create Agenda (potential topics)
 - a. Clarify the list of irrigation projects for next meeting
 - b. Update from legislative luncheon
 - c. SV and Galena GWD updates (Pat still has not gotten this info from Kevin yet)
 - d. Peter - Water supply speaker (Jennifer: Historical water use)
 - e. USGS grant update
 - f. Packenham survey
 - g. SNAP analysis status
 - h. Outreach to southern basin (surface) users

Misc update: Water Conservation State Grant - 2 applications from BC (city of Hailey, SVEA). More money allocated than applications received.

Kevin said of the 550 GW accounts in District 37 (not necessarily wells, one account can have multiple wells) about 85% of total volume is being measured. About 50-60 well owners are not measured. Approx 100 of the wells are not active.

- 2) What is the projected direction of the collaborative- next phase and steps?
 1. - implications of ground water model study and 20% reduction
 2. - will committees be needed to work on:
 - i. infrastructure/efficiency projects to present to GWD's?
 - I. identifying water transactions for GWD's?
 - II. identify federal/state projects for mitigation (NGO)?
 3. Is there reason to start a basin wide SMART Water grant ?
(municipalities for rebates, ag irrigation improvements on farm and delivery, water banking, Milner Gooding, using reuse for snowmaking in Elkhorn)
 4. Shall we bring in a consultant for water banking?
- 3) What questions do we need answered to make conserved water a reality?
 5. Recharge
 - a. Will BWCC and IDWR support upper valley recharge? (ex: Golden Eagle)
 - b. What is the volume of full aquifer? How relevant with a dynamic system?
 - c. What are the limits on Hiawatha, 45, and other canals for addtl water?
 - d. Do we support high spring flows for recharge?
 6. paper rights, illegitimate decreed rights
 - a. do NGO's want to buy and abandon water rights (Silver Sage HOA)
 - b. Peter Trust right. Is this an NGO or WRWC response on Kevin's concerns on increasing consumptive use
 - c. does consumptive use need to be proved on recently decreed rights -G. Eagle
 - d. leased water - who is the burden on once leased to show consumptive use?
 - a. (could we lease water and not use it? - who does it effect?)