

# IDAHO WASHINGTON AQUIFER COLLABORATIVE

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Our Water. Our Future.

The Idaho Washington Aquifer Collaborative (IWAC) works to maintain and enhance water quality and quantity for present and future generations by developing management strategies which benefit the Spokane Valley Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer and the Spokane River watersheds.

October 11, 2022, In person at CDA Water Department and Via Zoom - Representatives Present

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### **AGENDA**

Welcome and Introductions – IWAC President Terry Pickel welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm. President Pickel announced that he will retire from Coeur d'Alene Water Department in October of 2023.

Agenda Additions or Revisions – No additions or revisions were requested.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes** – President Pickel called for additions or corrections to the June 14, 2022, and September 20, 2022, meeting minutes. The meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

**Financial Report –** There was no financial report this month. An invoice from Anne Francis has been received.

#### **Old Business**

The **IDEQ Source Water Protection Grant** proposal was submitted on 9/22/22. Thanks to everyone who attended the special meeting on 9/20/22 to finalize the grant proposal. Thanks also to SAJB and the Spokane River Forum for providing letters of support. President Pickel expects that IWAC will be informed of IDEQ grant selections by December of 2022. IWAC Treasurer Ron Wilson has been at work to receive a UEI number.

**Guinness World Record Holders – Pass a Glass** President Pickel announced that the Pass the Glass World Record was 458 and the record is now 541 passes thanks to everyone who participated across the SVRP aquifer. The official record holders are Idaho Water Education Foundation and Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

Outdoor Watering Nerds – Update – Tonilee Hanson introduced the idea of using an ArcGIS Story Map to tell the story of protecting the aquifer and river on the Nerds website. A sample story map, the Yakima Lead Entity Story Map was viewed and discussed. Members agreed with the story map concept. Alyssa Gersdorf and President Pickel volunteered to participate in a sub-committee to work on the Aquifer Protection Story Map. If anyone else is interested in being part of the sub-committee please contact Tonilee at <a href="iwacinfo4@gmail.com">iwacinfo4@gmail.com</a>.

#### **New Business**

**IWAC Website Google Analytics** – Transitioning to GA4 This item was tabled to the November meeting.

**IWAC Tablecloth, Banner, Brochure** – Tonilee Hanson shared tablecloth and banner samples and asked members if they would like to consider purchasing some promotional materials given that in-person events are beginning to resume. Members discussed options and expressed interest in having a more professional presence at public events. Tonilee will bring additional sample ideas and cost to the November meeting.

**Virtual Tour of Demonstration Gardens** – IWAC members discussed examples of native and drought tolerant gardens that could become a virtual garden tour. Below is a list of locations and organizations that could be included in a virtual tour. This item will be continued in the November 8, 2022, meeting. Please send additional examples of regional water conservation gardens.

- Jim Ekins shared that he has been involved in a new publication that has been peer reviewed and will be free to the public. The publication provides design ideas with native plants, plant lists and things to consider.
- The Pollination Project and U of I Demonstration Garden
- BiJay Adams requested that deer resistant plants also be identified.
- Liberty Lake Sewer & Water District Native Garden
- Branden Rose 3.5-acre zero water landscape project at Hayden Lake Irrigation District. A two-million-gallon pond installed in August 2022 engineered by JUB.
- Whitworth Water District Xeriscape
- City of CDA Water Department Garden Project (wicking horse troughs)
- City of Spokane at WTE facility
- Manito Park native garden
- Washington Native Plant Society 2315 North Discovery Place Spokane Valley, WA 99216
- Inland Empire Gardeners
- Finch Arboretum
- North Idaho Native Plant Arboretum
- Idaho Native Plant society
- <u>Fire Resistant landscapes Idaho Firewise</u>

## **Updates Around the Table**

BiJay Adams, LLSWD, plans are underway to remodel the district offices.

Jeremy Jenkins, SAJB's work with GSI Water Solutions on a quarry risk assessment is underway.

Alyssa Gersdorf, Post Falls gave public notice and started 30 days of chlorination for blow-out season. Doug Greenlund, Spokane Water toured CDA and is evaluating fluoridation options. KXLY news covered a recent incident with a failed valve that allowed air to enter the system.

Terry Pickel, CDA Water detailed numerous projects underway and in the works for 2023.

Adjourn - There being no further business this 13 meeting at 2:45 pm.	$1^{ m tn}$ day of October 2022, President Pickel adjourned th
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President Terry Pickel	Vice President, BiJay Adams

**Handouts sent via e-mail:** IWAC Agenda, IWAC June and September Meeting Minutes. Previous IWAC meeting agendas, minutes, supporting documents and presentations can be found at <a href="http://www.iwac.us/category/meetings/">http://www.iwac.us/category/meetings/</a>.