

EMERGENCY DECLARATION OF THE GOODING COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Wood River Basin is facing the likelihood of a drought in the upcoming irrigation season; and

WHEREAS, the snow-packs are currently only 65 - 70% of average in both the Little Wood and Big Wood basins; and

WHEREAS, based on current stream-flow predictions, Magic Reservoir will likely only have 60 to 70 days of water; and

WHEREAS, based on current stream-flow predictions, the Watermaster will likely curtail 90 to 95% of all Big Wood River natural flow water rights above Magic Reservoir and 100% of all natural flow rights below Magic Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, based on current stream flow predictions, the Watermaster will likely curtail 90 to 95% of all Sliver Creek/Little Wood River natural flow rights below the Little Wood/Silver Creek confluence; and

WHEREAS, approximately 10 to 20% of the irrigated agricultural land in Gooding County will be affected; and

A DISASTER EMERGENCY AS DEFINED IN Idaho Code §46-1002, is an imminent threat of a disaster or condition threatening life or property; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code §46-1002 is in existence in Gooding County, Idaho to declare a local disaster emergency to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance, there under;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

The Gooding County, Idaho, Board of Commissioners hereby declares a disaster. That disaster was created by drought conditions creating and imminent threat of life, property and public safety and;

This Emergency Declaration shall expire on **December 31, 2021**, unless otherwise extended by this Board.

These conditions require the activation of the response and recovery of all applicable local disaster emergency plans and;

Such disaster may require State of Idaho disaster assistance to supplement local efforts to protect, rehabilitate and replace public property and to provide a coordinated multi-agency effort to mitigate, avert and lessen the threat and impact of the disaster.

Adopted this 29th day of March 2021.

GOODING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mark Bolduc

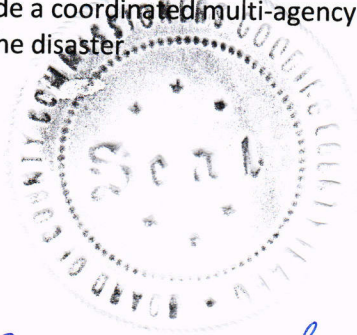
Mark Bolduc, Chairperson

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Denise M. Gill

Attest: Denise M. Gill, Gooding County Clerk