

## Henrys Fork Basin Study Meeting Notes

June 15, 2010, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Room 314, Rexburg, ID

### Action Items:

- none

### Upcoming Dates:

- Next meeting: July 20, 9:30 a.m. MDT. Site visits scheduled, meet at Tetonia Elementary School.

### Notes from the meeting:

#### Communications

Comments on meeting: is there a possibility to have them in the evenings so that a broader audience can participate? **Recommendation:** hold 2 meetings when Reclamation is there: one at the Henrys Fork Watershed Council's regular meeting time and one in the evening of the same day

Request blog-type communications.

Post e-mails – no anonymous e-mails

#### Proposal Process

Update on WaterSmart proposal process:

- Letter of interest accepted
- Proposal was developed
- Letters of support are needed
- Evaluation of the proposals will take place in July
- Selection of projects will come ???

Process clarification

- e-mail communication
- summary of input
- meeting notes posted

## **Time line**

Time frame: 2 years/15 markups

Future demands - 50 years

Climate change – 50 to 100 years

## **Needs:**

Flood control

City water (wells) for future

TV CAMP aquifer recharge

TV CAMP water supply

Water for flow augmentation

Operational flexibility

Need additional water to restore additional flexibility in the upper Snake River system.

Need to improve water supply forecasting tools

## **Questions**

What will the decision-making authority be for this group?

How will input be used?

What influence will the group have on decisions made in the process?

Will this effort move to a feasibility study?

What will the influence of the group be on the final recommendation?

## **Clarifications**

Clarify link to TV CAMP

Need clarification that project is not about rebuilding Teton Dam but instead to replace lost benefits.

## **Need to know:**

Effects of climate change on water supply

Needs associated with future growth

Examine meaning of water conservation; it means different things to different people so we should define it

**Other**

Look at past and how we got to where we are

Utilize existing water rights accounting tools, mentioned 1980 as a significant date.