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Re: McPherson IGUCA

File No(s). 

Dear Sir/Madam:

You are receiving this letter because you are a water right holder or otherwise have an interest in one or more water rights within the intensive groundwater use control area in the vicinity of McPherson, Kansas (“McPherson IGUCA”). The IGUCA was established in 1980 to address declining groundwater levels in the area. Attached is a brief fact sheet related to the McPherson IGUCA. More information on the IGUCA can be found on the agency’s web site at: www.ksda.gov/appropriation/content/291/cid/1348

Pursuant to Kansas Administrative Regulation 5-20-2, the Kansas Department of Agriculture, Division of Water Resources (“DWR”) is now beginning the formal review of the March 28, 1980 order establishing the McPherson IGUCA. The purpose of the review is to determine whether the public interest requires that the IGUCA designation be continued, and if so, whether or not there should be any adjustments to the IGUCA’s corrective control provisions.

The review process has three main phases:

1. Data gathering and analysis including at least one informal technical review meeting with the public.
2. A formal public review hearing.
3. A determination by the chief engineer on the disposition of the IGUCA order and corrective controls.

This notification begins the first phase. DWR and Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2 have begun reviewing the IGUCA order and are compiling information on the performance of the IGUCA since its inception in 1980. Beginning in the late summer or early fall of 2011, DWR in cooperation with Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2, will host one or more technical review meetings where interested parties will have the opportunity to provide

input on the data collection and technical analysis of the McPherson IGUCA. Technical review meetings will be open to the public and also accessible by phone and internet. Meeting notifications, data, and analysis will be available on our web page mentioned above. Also on that webpage is a link to subscribe to an email list to be notified when new information is available.

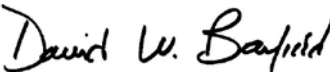
We expect the public hearing on the matter to be held late in the fall of 2011. When the hearing date is set it will be posted on our webpage and you will be notified by letter.

If you have any questions please contact DWR or Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2.

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Sincerely,


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Attachments:
McPherson IGUCA Fact Sheet