



Governor Brad Little

Director Gary Spackman

April 5, 2023

Bryan Dillworth  
Flood Control District #9  
305 Glendale Rd.  
Bellevue, ID 83313

RE: Joint Application for Permit No. S37-20659  
Big Wood River – Streambank Stabilization

Dear Mr. Dillworth:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) has reviewed your above referenced application for a permit to alter the Big Wood River. IDWR has prepared a decision as provided for in Section 42-3805, Idaho Code. The conditions set forth in this permit are intended to prevent degradation of water quality, protect fish and wildlife habitat, and protect the long-term stability of the stream channel. If you cannot meet the conditions set forth in the permit, please contact this office for further consideration.

Your project has been determined to meet the Stream Channel Alteration Rules, IDAPA 37.03.07 Minimum Standards (Rule 55). You may consider this letter a permit to construct your project according to your application, dated April 4, 2023, including diagrams. Project activities include the discharge of approximately 400 cubic yards of rock to stabilize approximately 215 feet of streambank on the Big Wood River.

The project location is within Sections 12 and 13, Township 01 North, Range 18 East, Boise Meridian, Blaine County, Idaho.

Failure to adhere to the conditions as set forth herein can result in legal action as provided for in Section 42-3809, Idaho Code. This project is subject to the following Minimum Standards, Special and General Conditions.

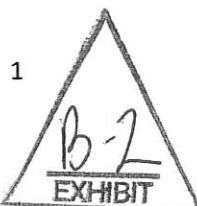
#### MINIMUM STANDARDS:

These standards are established in the Administrative Rules of the Idaho Water Resources Board; Stream Channel Alteration Rules, IDAPA 37.03.07, and are enclosed with this permit.

Rule 56 – Construction Procedures

#### SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

**[1] All construction shall be completed in accordance with the descriptions and methods on the attached application and diagrams. This office must approve any changes prior to construction.**



**[2] All construction activities shall take place during low flow to minimize turbidity, protect water quality, and comply with Idaho water quality standards. In-water work shall be isolated from flowing water.**

**[3] Any geotextile fabric used for construction in this project shall be non-woven natural fiber of jute, coir, sisal, or a similar product. The apparent opening length shall be adequate to allow roots to penetrate the fabric and spread laterally.**

**[4] Single cuttings shall be planted no greater than 2-foot intervals and bundles or rooted stock shall be planted no greater than 5-foot intervals. Cuttings shall be dormant, planted deep enough to reach low water, and a native species to Idaho.**

**[5] Silt fencing or other erosion/sediment control measures shall be installed between any area of earth disturbance and the water. Erosion and sediment control measures must be installed during construction, according to the manufacturer's specifications, and must be maintained until construction is completed and the disturbed ground is revegetated and stable.**

**[6] All temporary structures, excess excavated material, and vegetative or construction debris shall be disposed of out of the stream channel where it cannot reenter the channel. All construction debris shall be removed from the site and disposed of properly.**

**[7] All fuel, oil, and other hazardous materials shall be stored and equipment refueled away from the stream channel to ensure that a spill will not enter the waterway. Equipment must be free of fuel and lubricant leaks.**

**[8] Permittee is responsible for all work done by any contractor or sub-contractor and shall ensure any contractor who performs the work is informed of and follows all the terms and conditions of this authorization.**

**[9] This permit shall expire December 31, 2024.**

#### GENERAL CONDITIONS:

1. This permit does not constitute any of the following:
  - a. An easement or right-of-way to trespass or work upon property belonging to others.
  - b. Other approval that may be required by Local, State or Federal Government, unless specifically stated in the special conditions above.
  - c. Responsibility of IDWR for damage to any properties due to work done.
  - d. Compliance with the Federal Flood Insurance Program, FEMA regulations, or approval of the local Planning and Zoning authority.
2. In accordance with Sections 55-2201 - 55-2210, Idaho Code, the applicant and/or contractors must contact Digline statewide phone number 1-800-342-1585 (Boise area 208-342-1585) not less than three working days prior to the start of any excavation for this project.
3. The permit holder or operator must have a copy of this permit at the alteration site, available for inspection at all times.

4. IDWR may cancel this permit at any time that it determines such action is necessary to minimize adverse impact on the stream channel.

**Failure to adhere to conditions as set forth herein can result in legal action as provided for in Section 42-3809, Idaho Code.**

If you object to the decision issuing this permit with the above conditions, you have 15 days in which to notify this office in writing that you request a formal hearing on the matter. If an objection has not been received within 15 days, the decision will be final under the provisions of IDAPA 37.03.07 (Rule 70).

Please contact Aaron Golart 208-287-4941 or [aaron.golart@idwr.idaho.gov](mailto:aaron.golart@idwr.idaho.gov) if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,



Aaron Golart  
State Coordinator  
Stream Protection Program

cc: Kristine Hilt, Blaine County, Hailey  
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Bradley Dawson, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Jerome  
Meribeth Lomkin, Idaho Department of Lands, Jerome  
Christen Griffith, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Boise

**056. CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURES (RULE 56).**

**01. Conformance to Procedures.** Construction shall be done in accordance with the following procedures unless specific approval of other procedures has been given by the Director. When an applicant desires to proceed in a manner different from the following, such procedures should be described on the application. (3-18-22)

**02. Operation of Construction Equipment.** No construction equipment shall be operated below the existing water surface without specific approval from the Director except as follows: Forging the stream at one (1) location only will be permitted unless otherwise specified; however, vehicles and equipment will not be permitted to push or pull material along the streambed below the existing water level. Work below the water which is essential for preparation of culvert bedding or approved footing installations shall be permitted to the extent that it does not create unnecessary turbidity or stream channel disturbance. Frequent forging will not be permitted in areas where extensive turbidity will be created. (3-18-22)

**03. Temporary Structures.** Any temporary crossings, bridge supports, cofferdams, or other structures that will be needed during the period of construction shall be designed to handle high flows that could be anticipated during the construction period. All structures shall be completely removed from the stream channel at the conclusion of construction and the area shall be restored to a natural appearance. (3-18-22)

**04. Minimizing Disturbance of Area.** Care shall be taken to cause only the minimum necessary disturbance to the natural appearance of the area. Streambank vegetation shall be protected except where its removal is absolutely necessary for completion of the work adjacent to the stream channel. (3-18-22)

**05. Disposal of Removed Materials.** Any vegetation, debris, or other material removed during construction shall be disposed of at some location out of the stream channel where it cannot reenter the channel during high stream flows. (3-18-22)

**06. New Cut of Fill Slopes.** All new cut or fill slopes that will not be protected with some form of riprap shall be seeded with grass and planted with native vegetation to prevent erosion. (3-18-22)

**07. Fill Material.** All fill material shall be placed and compacted in horizontal lifts. Areas to be filled shall be cleared of all vegetation, debris and other materials that would be objectionable in the fill. (3-18-22)

**08. Limitations on Construction Period.** The Director may limit the period of construction as needed to minimize conflicts with fish migration and spawning, recreation use, and other uses. (3-18-22)