

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

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I. INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

Irrigation Division 6 is basically the northwestern corner of the state of Colorado bordered on the north by the Wyoming boundary, on the west by the Utah boundary, on the south by the White River drainage, and on the east by the North Platte drainage. The terrain varies from over 13,000 feet at the Continental Divide to the canyon floors of Western Colorado around 5,000 feet. The precipitation varies from forty inches in the high mountains to less than seven inches in the western desert lands.

Most of the crop bearing areas have around twenty inches of annual precipitation and encompass the ground from 6,000 feet to 8,000 feet in elevation. The high elevation and the western desert areas are primarily used for summer and winter grazing and recreational purposes. The bulk of this ground is government controlled by the US Forest and Bureau of Land Management.

The irrigation is basically all native hay, alfalfa hay, and irrigated pasture which is about 250,000 acres for the entire Division. This acreage is approximately 120,000 acres for the North Platte, 100,000 acres for the Yampa drainage, and 30,000 acres in the White River drainage. Dry farming is practiced in the mid areas of the Yampa River and the White River drainages, with small grains being the basic crops. Dry crop lands amount to around 131,000 acres in the Yampa River drainage with approximately 17,000 acres in the White River drainage. This ground is normally summer fallowed which means that

only a little over fifty percent of this land is in crop in any given year. The growing season in Division 6 varies from less than thirty days in the North Platte drainage to around ninety days in the lower reaches of the Yampa and White River drainages.

The population of Division 6 is sparse with the main population centers being Craig, Steamboat Springs, and Meeker. The development of coal to meet the so-called energy crisis has caused a sharp increase in population and business activity to the point of being almost a boom. An enlargement to the existing steam generating plant at Hayden, Colorado went on line in 1978 with two such plants going on line in the Craig area in 1979. A third such plant is on the drawing boards for the Craig area to be started probably in 1979 or 1980. Several new coal mines were opened in the area in 1978 with more scheduled for opening in the near future. The bulk of the mines are open pit, but application has been made for some underground coal mines. Oil Shale Tracts Ca and Cb in the Piceance Basin near Meeker have been the center of much activity in the past year as the respective companies have started development of these tracts for the experimental production of oil from oil shale.

Division 6 enjoyed one of its larger snow packs during the winter of 77-78. This resulted in an excellent water year with all deliveries being normal or above for the main part of the irrigation season. The result was average or above hay production on the irrigated ground. Summer moisture was practically non-existent throughout most of the Division. This condition resulted in below average dry land crop production.

The late season river flows fell well below average with many even being below the 1977 late fall flows. The reason for this, of course, was the lack of any summer moisture. Even in the drought of 1977, fall moisture brought up the fall flows.

The total water year flows, however, were very good with preliminary figures indicating 100 percent of average for the White River, 120 percent of average for the North Platte River, and 130 percent of average for the Yampa River.

## II. PERSONNEL

Name	Position	District	FY 77-78 Months		FY 77-78 Mileage
			Worked	Budgeted	
Wesley E. Signs	Division Engineer		Full Time		1,600
Daries C. Lile	Asst. Division Engineer		Full Time		915
W. Kent Holt	Hydrograpner		Full Time		2,756
Karen McPherrren	Secretary		Full Time		
Roy D. Steffen	1042 Water Commissioner		Full Time		
Joe E. Brown	Water Commissioner B	43	Full Time		
*William Dunham	Water Commissioner A	43	12	2	14,611
Ben E. Cordle	Water Commissioner B	44	Full Time		16,528
Donald C. Gilroy	Water Commissioner B	54	4	6	3,184
Jack Leonard	Water Commissioner B	55-56	3	5	4,719
James E. Sellers	Water Commissioner B	57	Full Time		12,045
Charles Gregory	Water Commissioner B	58	Full Time		5,776
Billy R. Milner	Water Commissioner B	58	6.8	8	3,196
Eric H. Wagner	Water Commissioner A	47	Full Time		4,797
*Kenneth Johnson	Water Commissioner A	43	4	0	

\*Additional time above budget allotment was paid for with Piceance Basin Study funds.

### III. WATER SUPPLY

#### A. Forecast

The heavy snowpack made the streamflow well above average at most of the stations. Runoff at key gaging stations was as follows:

<u>Station</u>	<u>Acre Feet</u>	<u>% Average</u>	<u>No. of Years</u>
Yampa River at Steamboat Springs	428,000	126	69
Elk River at Clark	321,000	132	57
Yampa River at Maybell	1,480,000	132	60
Little Snake near Lilly Park	507,000	122	55
S. Fk. of White River at Buford	237,000	128	27
N. Fk. of White River at Buford	250,000	111	30
White River near Meeker	485,000	107	71
Piceance Creek below Ryan Gulch	11,200	83	11
White River above Rangely	520,000	---	--
White River near Watson, Utah	529,000	100	53
Michigan River near Cameron Pass	2,380	---	--
N. Fk. Michigan River near Gould	13,770	111	27
N. Platte River near Northgate	362,900	117	62

#### B. Precipitation

Precipitation for selected stations in Division 6:

	<u>Steamboat Springs</u>	<u>Hayden</u>	<u>Walden</u>
November	2.71	1.05	.77
December	4.97	1.76	.65
January	3.59	2.49	.24
February	2.72	1.30	.42
March	3.13	2.15	.79
April	2.38	1.76	.85
May	1.96	1.84	3.16
June	.36	.41	.62
July	1.71	.77	.38
August	1.32	.69	.92
September	1.62	.73	.87
October	.72	.39	.45
Totals	27.19	15.34	10.12

113% of normal      96% of normal      101% of normal

#### C. Flooding

Even though the snowpack was well above average, the flooding from spring runoff was minimal. This was probably due in part to the low soil moisture conditions. The runoff was also orderly due to good weather conditions.

### E. Ground Water

A move to the country by everyone able to afford it still is producing more than average domestic well activity.

Along with the activity has been the accompanying problems of late permits, dry holes, and all of the other problems that arise with a basically shale formation.

There are a few areas that have some good sandstone aquifers, but basically it is shallow alluvium over a shale base. In some areas east of Steamboat Springs there is water in decomposed granite which also causes some problems.

Coal and uranium exploration is still continuing on even a larger scale than in the past. The age old problem still exists as to whether these are properly plugged to prevent aquifer mixing. It seems almost impossible to keep this problem checked, and it would probably be impractical to have enough personnel to solve this problem. There are still no irrigation wells in the Division of any consequence.

### F. Transmountain Diversions (Transbasin)

<u>Structure</u>	<u>Acre Feet</u>
Stillwater Ditch	3680
Sarvis Ditch	0
Rich Ditch	1211
Morgan Creek	375
Dome Creek	431
Michigan Ditch	261
Cameron Pass Ditch	201

Total water exported from Yampa R. to Colorado R. Drainage: 4111

Total water exported from N. Platte R. to S. Platte Drainage: 462

III. Water Supply  
G. Reservoir Storage

NAME OF RESERVOIR	SOURCE	AMT. IN STORAGE 11/1/77	FILL DURING SEASON	RELEASE + EVAPORATION	AMT. IN STORAGE 10/31/78	TOTAL CHANGE IN STORAGE
DISTRICT NO. 43						
Baxter Reservoir	Evacuation Creek	65	0	0	65	0
Big Beaver Creek Reservoir	Big Beaver Creek	6,431	0	0	6,431	0
Big Lick Reservoir	Big Beaver Creek	200	0	200	0	-200
Black Gulch Reservoir	Black Gulch	41	0	0	41	0
Johnny Johnson Reservoir	White River	1,036	0	0	1,036	0
Keystone Reservoir No. 3	Price Creek	10	21	0	31	21
Larson Reservoir	Nineteen Mile Creek	62	0	0	62	0
Lunney Reservoir	Nine Mile Draw	15	67	66	16	1
McHattton Reservoir	Coal Creek	15	49	32	32	17
Procter Reservoir	Curtis Creek	6	1	0	7	1
West Miller Reservoir	West Miller Creek	30	48	23	55	25
West Stewart Reservoir	West Stewart Creek	13	2	15	0	-13
Wilson Reservoir	East Flag Creek	0	15	15	0	0
TOTALS (All figures in Acre Feet)		7,924	203	351	7,776	-148

DISTRICT NO. 44

Anderson Reservoir	Cottonwood Creek	0	0	0	0	0
B and B Reservoir	Flume Gulch	10	12	0	22	12
Bennett Reservoir	Spring Creek	7	0	0	7	0
Big Bottom Reservoir	Unnamed Tributary	0	20	20	0	0
Biskup Reservoir	Biskup Gulch	0	12	12	0	0
Bunker Lake Reservoir	Bunker Creek	90	101	108	83	-7
Cove Lake Reservoir	Morapos Creek	9	66	52	23	14
Cove Reservoir	Morapos Creek	0	121	78	43	43
Culverwell Reservoir	Sand Spring Gulch	0	0	0	0	0
D.D.&E Reservoir	Hullett Draw	200	1208	820	588	388
Dresher Reservoir	Long Gulch	0	200	180	20	20
Dunkley Dubeau Reservoir	Willow Creek	33	79	84	28	-5
Elgin Reservoir	Bell Rock Gulch	64	64	20	108	44
Elgin Reservoir No. 2	McLernon Draw	0	45	45	0	0
Elk Head Reservoir	Elk Head Creek	13,574	0	0	13,574	0
Flat Top (Gill) Reservoir	Unnamed Tributary	25	0	0	25	0

III. Water Supply  
G. Reservoir Storage

NAME OF RESERVOIR DISTRICT 44 CONT.	SOURCE	AMT. IN	FILL	RELEASE +	AMT. IN	TOTAL
		STORAGE 11/1/77	DURING SEASON	EVAPORATION	STORAGE 10/31/78	CHANGE IN STORAGE
Fredrickson No. 1 Reservoir	Tributary to Elk Head	5	0	0	5	0
Fredrickson No. 2 Reservoir	Tributary to Elk Head	2	0	0	2	0
Fredrickson No. 3 Reservoir	Tributary to Elk Head	9	0	0	9	0
Fredrickson No. 4 Reservoir	Tributary to Elk Head	3	0	0	3	0
Freeman Reservoir	Little Cottonwood Creek	137	0	0	137	0
Gerber Reservoir	Sand Spring Gulch	3	2	0	5	2
Konopik Reservoir	Clear Creek	13	0	0	13	0
Leftwich Reservoir	Boone Gulch	36	0	0	36	0
Malburg Pond	Brown's Gulch	2	0	0	2	0
Morin Reservoir	Dayton Creek	7	0	0	7	0
Morton Reservoir	Deacon Gulch	9	0	0	9	0
Pitney Reservoir	Corral Gulch	11	0	0	11	0
Poose Creek Reservoir	Poose Creek	277	0	0	277	0
Ralph White Reservoir	Fortification Creek	925	0	0	925	0
Roby Reservoir	Morapos Creek	0	26	26	0	0
Sagebrush Reservoir No. 1	Butler Creek	4	1	1	4	0
Sagebrush Reservoir No. 2	Butler Creek	3	0	1	2	- 1
Sellers Crowell Reservoir	Willow Creek	21	79	60	40	19
Shafer Reservoir	Willow Creek	0	81	34	42	47
Velanzas Reservoir No. 1	Jeffway Gulch	8	0	0	8	0
Velanzas Reservoir No. 2	Jeffway Gulch	4	0	0	4	0
Waddle Creek Reservoir	Waddle Creek	13	26	20	19	6
Wilson Reservoir	Good Springs Creek	45	23	0	68	23
Wyman Reservoir	Beaver Creek	50	40	12	78	28
<b>TOTALS (All figures in Acre Feet)</b>		<b>15,599</b>	<b>2,206</b>	<b>1,573</b>	<b>16,232</b>	<b>633</b>

III. Water Supply  
G. Reservoir Storage

DISTRICT NO. 47	NAME OF RESERVOIR	SOURCE	AMT. IN STORAGE 11/1/77	FILL DURING SEASON	RELEASE + EVAPORATION	AMT. IN STORAGE 10/31/78	TOTAL CHANGE IN STORAGE
	Addison Reservoir	Buffalo Creek	0	42	42	0	0
	Agua Fria Reservoir	Beaver Creek	620	111	0	731	111
	Bennett Reservoir	T. Beaver Creek	0	0	0	0	0
	Big Creek Lake	Big Creek	331	1103	0	1434	1103
	Boettcher Lake	Lake Creek	0	0	0	0	0
	Brands Reservoir	T. No. Fk. North Platte	0	0	0	0	0
	Buffalo Reservoir	Buffalo Creek	486	150	150	486	0
	Burns Reservoir	Burns Draw	0	39	0	39	39
	Butte (South and East) Res.	Roaring Fork	0	202	0	202	202
	Carlstrom (Upper Cowdrey) Res.	Michigan River	448	0	448	0	- 448
	Case No. 1 Reservoir	Illinois River	0	117	117	0	0
	Case No. 2 Reservoir	Illinois River	0	98	98	0	0
	Case No. 3 Reservoir	Illinois River	0	66	66	0	0
	Clayton Reservoir	Buffalo Creek	0	213	83	130	130
	Cowdrey (Lower) Reservoir	Michigan River	24	0	0	24	0
	Coyte Reservoir	Arapahoe Creek	38	38	38	38	0
	Fisher Lake and Pump	Seepage T Michigan River	58	0	0	58	0
	Fuller Reservoir	Cow Creek	1	7.3	3.3	5	4
	Gamber Reservoir	Little Grizzly River	0	0	0	0	0
	Ginger Quill Reservoir	Three Mile Creek	38.2	0	0	38.2	0
	Hap Reservoir	Buffalo Creek	0	14	14	0	0
	Hecla Reservoir	Arapaho Creek	255	255	255	255	0
	House (Upper) Reservoir	Spring Creek	44	0	0	44	0
	Hunter Reservoir	Three Mile Creek	0	24	24	0	0
	Jackson Reservoir	Dry Creek	119	0	0	119	0
	Kettle Reservoir	Newcomb Creek	0	0	0	0	0
	Lake John	Lake Creek	5135	1387	552	5970	835
	Lake Roslyn	Willow Creek	290	0	0	290	0
	Laune Reservoir	Roaring Fork	1065	2059	1006	2118	1053
	MacFarlane Reservoir	Illinois River	1950	1200	750	2400	450
	McGowan Reservoir	Middle Fork Mexican Cr.	40	0	11	29	- 11
	Mexican Reservoir	Mexican Creek	10	70	67	13	3
	Muddy Pass Reservoir	T. Grizzly Creek	58	0	0	58	0
	Ninegar Reservoir	Ninegar Creek	24	24	24	24	0
	North Michigan Reservoir	No. Fk. Michigan Creek	1250	0	0	1250	0
	Petry Lake	Unnamed T. Little Grizzly	72	0	0	72	0
	Pole Mountain Reservoir	Mexican Creek	394	1116	556	954	560

III. Water Supply  
G. Reservoir Storage

NAME OF RESERVOIR	SOURCE	AMT. IN STORAGE 11/1/77	FILL DURING SEASON	RELEASE + EVAPORATION	AMT. IN STORAGE 10/31/78	TOTAL CHANGE IN STORAGE
<u>DISTRICT 47 CONT.</u>						
Ridings Reservoir	Buffalo Creek	0	41	41	0	0
Rock Reservoir	Newcomb Creek	0	0	0	0	0
Seymour Reservoir	Ninegar Creek	525	211	211	525	211
Shawver Reservoir	Sutton Creek	2	115	117	0	- 2
Slack and Weiss Reservoir	Ninegar Creek	137	0	55	82	-55
Stambaugh Reservoir	Little Grizzly	0	139	79	60	60
South Arapahoe Reservoir	Arapaho Creek	0	16	16	0	0
Three Mile Reservoir	Three Mile Creek	0	49	49	0	0
Two Ledge Reservoir	T. Coyote Creek	50	0	0	50	0
Van Valkenburg Reservoir	Van Valkenburg Draw	20	34	27	27	7
Walden Reservoir	Illinois River	1478	3028	0	4506	3028
West Arapaho Reservoir	T. Big Grizzly	92	33	125	0	- 92
State Walden		15	0	0	15	0
<b>TOTALS (All figures in Acre Feet)</b>		<b>15,069</b>	<b>12,001</b>	<b>5024</b>	<b>22,046</b>	<b>6977</b>

DISTRICT NO. 54

Elk Lake Reservoir	Willow Creek	0	398	398	0	0
Gold Blossom Reservoir	Gold Blossom Creek	0	0	0	0	0
Lake Fork Reservoir	Lake Fork Creek	44	0	0	44	0
Lower Cogdill Reservoir	Government Corral Creek	173	0	0	173	0
Martin Cull Reservoir	T. Four Mile Creek	75	20	0	95	20
McCargar Dam and Reservoir	Independence Creek	64	0	0	64	0
Skunk Creek Reservoir	Skunk Creek	8	8	0	16	8
Slater Creek Lake	T. Slater Creek	44	0	0	44	0
Upper Cogdill Reservoir	Government Corral Creek	45	0	0	45	0
<b>TOTALS (All figures in Acre Feet)</b>		<b>454</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>28</b>

DISTRICT NO. 56

Ainge Reservoir	Flynn Spring	0	1	1	0	0
Bassett No. 1 Reservoir	Bull Canyon Gulch	5	32	9	28	23
Bassett No. 2 Reservoir	Bull Canyon Gulch	25	29	4	50	25
Blevins Reservoir	Spring T. Vermillion Cr	2	3	0	5	3
Cove Reservoir	*Cottonwood Creek	10	0	10	0	-10

III. Water Supply  
G. Reservoir Storage

NAME OF RESERVOIR	SOURCE	AMT. IN STORAGE 11/1/77	FILL DURING SEASON	RELEASE + EVAPORATION	AMT. IN STORAGE 10/31/78	TOTAL CHANGE IN STORAGE
DISTRICT 56 CONT.						
Massey Reservoir	Flynn Spring	0	2	0	2	2
Offield Reservoir	Pot Creek	25	50	35	40	15
TOTALS (All figures in Acre Feet)		67	117	59	125	58
DISTRICT NO. 57						
Apple Reservoir	Dry Fk, Trout Creek	2	9	11	0	- 2
Basin Reservoir	Basin & Buchanan Gulch	13	195	134	74	61
Brock Reservoir	T. Yampa River	1	6	4	3	2
Cozzens Walrod Reservoir	Hutchinson Gulch	0	84	74	10	10
East Signs Reservoir	Hooker Draw	2	0	0	2	0
Eckman Park Reservoir No. 1	Foidel Creek	80	30	0	110	30
Eckman Park Reservoir No. 2	Foidel Creek	12	0	0	12	0
Eckman Park Reservoir No. 3	Foidel Creek	0	2	0	2	2
Elmer Reservoir	Morgan Creek	30	0	0	30	30
F. Schaffermeyer Res. No. 3	Fiske Creek	3	4	3	4	1
F. Schaffermeyer Res. No. 4	Fiske Creek	2	1	1	2	0
Greasewood Flats Reservoir	Dill Gulch	0	80	80	0	0
Hayden Station Ponds	Yampa River	1060	0	702	358	-702
James Marion Yoast Reservoir	Yoast Creek	0	147	144	3	3
John C. Temple Res. No. 1	Temple Gulch	0	553	553	0	0
Kowach Reservoir	Small T. Yampa River	28	0	0	28	0
Morgan Creek No. 1 Reservoir	Morgan Creek	0	326	274	52	52
Nofstger Reservoir	Grassy Creek	40	416	106	350	310
Nofstger-Zeigler Reservoir	Grassy Creek	110	234	114	230	120
Sage Creek Reservoir	Sage Creek	0	473	473	0	0
Scotchmans Gulch Reservoir No. 1	Scotchmans Gulch	0	8	8	0	0
Seaton Reservoir	Middle Fish Creek	0	21	21	0	0
Sheriff Reservoir	Trout Creek	824	162	0	986	162
West Signs Reservoir	Miller Draw	1	0	1	0	- 1
Yoast No. 1, No. 2 Reservoir	Yoast Creek	0	7	2	5	5
TOTALS (All figures in Acre Feet)		2208	2758	2705	2261	53

III. Water Supply  
G. Reservoir Storage

NAME OF RESERVOIR	SOURCE	AMT. IN STORAGE 11/1/77	FILL DURING SEASON	RELEASE + EVAPORATION	AMT. IN STORAGE 10/31/78	TOTAL CHANGE IN STORAGE
DISTRICT NO. 58						
Allen Basin Reservoir	Middle Hunt Creek	44	1634	1207	471	427
Alma Baer Reservoir	Fish Creek	3	0	0	3	0
Bull Park No. 2 Reservoir	West Branch Watson Creek	0	30	30	0	0
Burnt Mesa Reservoir	South Hunt Creek	0	55	50	5	5
Chapman Reservoir	Little Oak Creek	10	246	182	74	64
Crowner Reservoir	Beaver Creek	0	6	6	0	0
Fish Creek Reservoir	Fish Creek	1530	312	0	1842	312
Fish Creek Lake No. 2	Wheeler Creek	35	0	0	35	0
French Reservoir	Jack Creek	4	0	2	2	- 2
Gardner Park Reservoir	Gardner Creek	2	1153	156	999	997
G.R. Brennehan Reservoir	Cow Creek	2	0	0	2	0
Hahns Peak Reservoir	Willow Creek	600	0	0	600	0
Heart Lake	Watson Creek	0	283	283	0	0
Lake Creek Reservoir	Wheeler Creek	261	61	61	261	0
Lake Windemere	Farnsworth Creek	0	137	37	100	100
Lee Reservoir	Chimney Creek	0	21	0	21	21
Lester Creek Reservoir	Lester Creek	4400	1257	0	5657	1257
Long Lake	Fish Creek	397	0	0	397	0
Martin Reservoir	Yellow Jacket Creek	5	80	75	10	5
May Reservoir	Salt Creek	6	31	15	22	16
McChivvis Reservoir	Watson Creek	0	191	121	70	70
Moore Park Reservoir	Elgin Creek	0	21	21	0	0
Oak Creek Reservoir	Oak Creek	1	0	0	1	0
Overman Reservoir	French Creek	100	0	0	100	0
Rams Horn Reservoir	Dome Creek	122	0	0	122	+ 122
Reed Reservoir	Chimney Rock Creek	0	20	0	20	20
Roland Reid Reservoir No. 1	Ft. Willy Gulch	45	0	0	45	0
Sandelin Reservoir No. 1	Big Creek	2	0	0	2	0
Sandelin Reservoir No. 2	Big Creek	7	0	0	7	0
Sandelin Reservoir No. 3	Big Creek	7	0	0	7	0
Simon Reservoir	Middle Hunt Creek	120	875	420	575	455
Stillwater Reservoir No. 1	Yampa River	21	6371	2110	2110	4285
Storm Mountain Reservoir	Burgess Creek	2	0	0	2	0
Stukey Distribution Reservoir	Spring Creek	5	0	0	5	0
Bison Park Reservoir	Lawson Creek	0	26	26	0	0

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 G. Reservoir Storage

NAME OF RESERVOIR	SOURCE	AMT. IN STORAGE 11/1/77	FILL DURING SEASON	RELEASE + EVAPORATION	AMT. IN STORAGE 10/31/78	TOTAL CHANGE IN STORAGE
Lowry Reservoir	Oak Creek	0	46	0	46	46
Lake Catamount	Yampa River	30	7770	378	7422	7392
Tillquist Reservoir	Morrison Creek	5	0	0	5	0
Trull Creek Reservoir	Trull Creek	0	149	149	0	0
Upper Stillwater Reservoir	Roaring Fork	328	292	0	620	292
Upper Willow Creek Reservoir	Willow Creek	23,604	496	1050	23,050	- 554
Wheeler Reservoir	Wheeler Creek	37	0	0	37	0
Whitney Nelson Reservoir	Whipple Creek	74	350	0	424	350
Younger Reservoir	Morrison Creek	15	0	0	15	0
TOTALS (All figures in Acre Feet)		31,824	21,913	6379	47,358	15,534

#### IV. AGRICULTURE

Irrigated crop production, or basically hay production, was average or slightly above average. Dry crop production, basically small grains, were well below average due to no rainfall and some hail damage just before harvest. This coupled with depressed prices has made this segment of the areas agriculture very depressed.

While grazing was not as good as average because of the short rainfall, it was considerably better than last year due to the good winter moisture. Even though the young livestock was possibly a little lighter than average, the more mature livestock was average or better. The overall price of livestock was excellent making the first advancement in this segment of agriculture in a number of years.

#### V. COMPACTS

Preliminary gaging station records show 1,480,000 AF at the Maybell Gage on the Yampa River for the past water year. This is well above average and certainly compensates for the deficient supply of the 1977 season.

The Nebraska VS Wyoming Supreme Court stipulations were met with 114,366 irrigated acres allowed. The storage was 13,022 AF which is well under the 17,000 AF allowed; however, this is the largest amount stored since the North Platte was transferred to Division 6 in 1969. The transbasin diversion was 462 AF which is well under the 6,000 AF allowed annually.

The Pot Creek Agreement with Utah is still out of date but is apparently operating successfully under the old outdated 1958 Agreement. There was very little water in the basin to divide and it was taken care of with no apparent controversy.

#### VI. DAMS

Catamount Reservoir was completed and filled with no problem during

the spring runoff. The lake filled automatically with the outlet tube open to its capacity and caused no problem. Most of the dams in the Division were inspected at least once by staff members or the State dam inspection team.

Some problems arose on Pearl Lake again. While they are not serious now, if an access road is not allowed to the dam, it could well develop into a real problem.

Yamcola Reservoir Dam is progressing at a good rate and it would appear that construction would start in 1979. The taxpayers in the Upper Yampa Conservancy District approved a tax levy to support this project in a 1978 election.

#### VII. WATER RIGHTS

Water Judge Don Lorenz retired early in 1978 and was replaced by Judge Claus Hume. Judge Hume is doing an excellent job including holding quarterly meetings with the Water Referee and the Division Engineer. The Division 6 Water Referee and Division staff have inspected many of the applications submitted; and while not completely up-to-date, the backlog is not serious.

The Division 5 Referee and Division staff have inspected all of the current water cases on the White River drainage and are current with the water cases.

	<u>Applications</u>	<u>Rulings</u>	<u>Decrees</u>
Underground	31	35	34
Change of Water Right	35	14	22
Plan of Augmentation	0	0	0
Water Right	208	100	96
Diligence	24	32	21
Water Storage	22	10	16
Applications received in Water Court:	320		
Number of Referee Consultations:	191		

## VIII. ORGANIZATIONS

- A. Colorado River Water Conservation District, Glenwood Springs, Colorado - Mr. Roland C. Fischer, Secretary-Engineer

Upper Yampa Water Conservancy District, Steamboat Springs, Colorado - John Fetcher, Secretary; Jim Funk, President

Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District, Meeker, Colorado - Frank Cooley, Attorney

Pot Hook Conservancy District, Baggs, Wyoming - Darwin Dunn, President

Lower Yampa Conservancy District, Craig, Colorado - Tony Angelo, Chairman

Great Northern Conservancy District, Craig, Colorado - Tony Angelo, Chairman

Northwest Colorado Water Council, Craig, Colorado - Tony Angelo, Chairman

Jackson County Water Conservancy District, Walden, Colorado - Lloyd Hampton, Secretary

- B. Bear River Reservoir Company, Yampa, Colorado

Stillwater Ditch Company, Yampa, Colorado

Maybell Irrigation District, Maybell, Colorado

Miller Creek Ditch Company, Meeker, Colorado

Woodchuck Ditch Company, Steamboat Springs, Colorado

Mt. Werner Water & Sanitation District, Steamboat Springs, Colorado

Morrison Creek Water & Sanitation District, Oak Creek, Colorado

Steamboat Lake Water District, Clark, Colorado

Riverside Water & Sanitation District, Steamboat Springs, Colorado

Steamboat II Water & Sanitation District, Steamboat Springs, CO

Tree Haus Water & Sanitation District, Steamboat Springs, Colorado

## IX. WATER COMMISSIONER'S SUMMARY

Water District No. 43

Direct Flow Diversions to Irrigation .....	280,000 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Transbasin .....	0
Direct Flow Diversions to Municipal & Domestic .....	2,000 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Industrial .....	6,000 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Other Uses .....	<u>15,000 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS .....	303,000 AF
Reservoir Storage (11/1/77) .....	7,924 AF
Reservoir Storage (10/31/78) .....	<u>7,776 AF</u>
Net Change in Storage .....	- 148 AF
Fill During Season .....	203 AF
Release + Evaporation During Season .....	351 AF
Direct Diversions to Irrigation .....	280,000 AF
Diversions from Storage to Irrigation .....	<u>148 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS TO IRRIGATION .....	280,148 AF
Total Acres Irrigated .....	29,438 Acres
Average Demand for Irrigation .....	10.3 AF/Acre
Number of Active Ditches Observed .....	435
Number of Active Reservoirs Observed .....	23
Number of Active Springs Observed .....	240
Number of Active Wells Observed .....	10
Number of Inactive Structures Observed .....	<u>130</u>
TOTAL STRUCTURES OBSERVED .....	850
Total Number of Structures Regulated .....	50
Total Number of Field Observations Made .....	4,500

Water District 44

Direct Flow Diversions to Irrigation .....	172,000 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Transbasin .....	375 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Municipal & Domestic .....	2,000 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Industrial .....	500 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Other Uses .....	<u>1,000 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS .....	175,875 AF
Reservoir Storage (11/1/77) .....	15,599 AF
Reservoir Storage (10/31/78) .....	<u>16,232 AF</u>
Net Change in Storage .....	633 AF
Fill During Season .....	2,206 AF
Release + Evaporation During Season .....	1,573 AF
Direct Diversions to Irrigation .....	172,000 AF
Diversions from Storage to Irrigation .....	<u>900 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS TO IRRIGATION .....	172,900 AF
Total Acres Irrigated .....	30,880 Acres
Average Demand for Irrigation .....	5.6 AF/Acre
Number of Active Ditches Observed .....	219
Number of Active Reservoirs Observed .....	49
Number of Active Springs Observed .....	29
Number of Active Wells Observed .....	3
Number of Inactive Structures Observed .....	<u>90</u>
TOTAL STRUCTURES OBSERVED .....	390
Total Number of Structures Regulated .....	45
Total Number of Field Observations Made .....	1,880

Water District 47

Direct Flow Diversions to Irrigation .....	430,000 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Transbasin .....	460 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Municipal & Domestic .....	400 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Industrial .....	0
Direct Flow Diversions to Other Uses .....	<u>5,500 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS .....	436,360 AF
Reservoir Storage (11/1/77) .....	15,069 AF
Reservoir Storage (10/31/78) .....	<u>22,046 AF</u>
Net Change in Storage .....	6,977 AF
Fill During Season .....	12,001 AF
Release + Evaporation During Season .....	5,024 AF
Direct Diversions to Irrigation .....	430,000 AF
Diversions from Storage to Irrigation .....	<u>5,024 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS TO IRRIGATION .....	435,024 AF
Total Acres Irrigated .....	114,366 Acres
Average Demand for Irrigation .....	3.8 AF/Acre
Number of Active Ditches Observed .....	390
Number of Active Reservoirs Observed .....	42
Number of Active Springs Observed .....	10
Number of Active Wells Observed .....	6
Number of Inactive Structures Observed .....	<u>40</u>
TOTAL STRUCTURES OBSERVED .....	488
Total Number of Structures Regulated .....	4
Total Number of Field Observations Made .....	1,700

Water District No. 54

Direct Flow Diversions to Irrigation .....	47,000 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Transbasin .....	0
Direct Flow Diversions to Municipal & Domestic .....	150 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Industrial .....	0
Direct Flow Diversions to Other Uses .....	600 AF
TOTAL DIVERSIONS .....	<u>47,750 AF</u>
Reservoir Storage (11/1/77) .....	454 AF
Reservoir Storage (10/31/78) .....	482 AF
Net Change in Storage .....	<u>28 AF</u>
Fill During Season .....	426 AF
Release + Evaporation During Season .....	398 AF
Direct Diversions to Irrigation .....	47,000 AF
Diversions from Storage to Irrigation .....	398 AF
TOTAL DIVERSIONS TO IRRIGATION .....	<u>47,398 AF</u>
Total Acres Irrigated .....	12,000 Acres
Average Demand for Irrigation .....	4.0 AF/Acre
Number of Active Ditches Observed .....	65
Number of Active Reservoirs Observed .....	7
Number of Active Springs Observed .....	3
Number of Active Wells Observed .....	0
Number of Inactive Structures Observed .....	24
TOTAL STRUCTURES OBSERVED .....	<u>99</u>
Total Number of Structures Regulated .....	5
Total Number of Field Observations Made .....	196

Water District No. 55

Direct Flow Diversions to Irrigation .....	8,300 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Transbasin .....	0
Direct Flow Diversions to Municipal & Domestic .....	1 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Industrial .....	0
Direct Flow Diversions to Other Uses .....	130 AF
TOTAL DIVERSIONS .....	<u>8,301 AF</u>
Reservoir Storage (11/1/77) .....	0
Reservoir Storage (10/31/78) .....	0
Net Change in Storage .....	0
Fill During Season .....	0
Release + Evaporation During Season .....	0
Direct Diversions to Irrigation .....	8,300 AF
Diversions from Storage to Irrigation .....	0
TOTAL DIVERSIONS TO IRRIGATION .....	<u>8,300 AF</u>
Total Acres Irrigated .....	1,368 Acres
Average Demand for Irrigation .....	6.1 AF/Acre
Number of Active Ditches Observed .....	11
Number of Active Reservoirs Observed .....	0
Number of Active Springs Observed .....	20
Number of Active Wells Observed .....	5
Number of Inactive Structures Observed .....	8
TOTAL STRUCTURES OBSERVED .....	<u>44</u>
Total Number of Structures Regulated .....	0
Total Number of Field Observations Made .....	150

Water District No. 56

Direct Flow Diversions to Irrigation .....	8,700 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Transbasin .....	0
Direct Flow Diversions to Municipal & Domestic .....	200 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Industrial .....	0
Direct Flow Diversions to Other Uses .....	<u>1,900 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS .....	10,800 AF
Reservoir Storage (11/1/77) .....	67 AF
Reservoir Storage (10/31/78) .....	<u>125 AF</u>
Net Change in Storage .....	58 AF
Fill During Season .....	117 AF
Release + Evaporation During Season .....	59 AF
Direct Diversions to Irrigation .....	8,700 AF
Diversions from Storage to Irrigation .....	<u>59 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS TO IRRIGATION .....	8,759 AF
Total Acres Irrigated .....	2,335 Acres
Average Demand for Irrigation .....	3.8 AF/Acre
Number of Active Ditches Observed .....	33
Number of Active Reservoirs Observed .....	8
Number of Active Springs Observed .....	65
Number of Active Wells Observed .....	4
Number of Inactive Structures Observed .....	<u>25</u>
TOTAL STRUCTURES OBSERVED .....	135
Total Number of Structures Regulated .....	0
Total Number of Field Observations Made .....	330

Water District No. 57

Direct Flow Diversions to Irrigation .....	59,603 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Transbasin .....	836 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Municipal & Domestic .....	500 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Industrial .....	5,018 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Other Uses .....	<u>2,178 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS .....	68,135 AF
Reservoir Storage (11/1/77) .....	2,208 AF
Reservoir Storage (10/31/78) .....	<u>2,261 AF</u>
Net Change in Storage .....	53 AF
Fill During Season .....	2,758 AF
Release + Evaporation During Season .....	2,705 AF
Direct Diversions to Irrigation .....	59,603 AF
Diversions from Storage to Irrigation .....	<u>1,596 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS TO IRRIGATION .....	61,199 AF
Total Acres Irrigated .....	10,780 Acres
Average Demand for Irrigation .....	5.7 AF/Acre
Number of Active Ditches Observed .....	80
Number of Active Reservoirs Observed .....	30
Number of Active Springs Observed .....	113
Number of Active Wells Observed .....	12
Number of Inactive Structures Observed .....	<u>75</u>
TOTAL STRUCTURES OBSERVED .....	310
Total Number of Structures Regulated .....	12
Total Number of Field Observations Made .....	750

Water District No. 58

Direct Flow Diversions to Irrigation .....	168,000 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Transbasin .....	2,900 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Municipal & Domestic .....	3,100 AF
Direct Flow Diversions to Industrial .....	0
Direct Flow Diversions to Other Uses .....	<u>1,500 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS .....	172,400 AF
Reservoir Storage (11/1/77) .....	31,824 AF
Reservoir Storage (10/31/78) .....	<u>47,358 AF</u>
Net Change in Storage .....	15,534 AF
Fill During Season .....	21,913 AF
Release + Evaporation During Season .....	6,379 AF
Direct Diversions to Irrigation .....	168,000 AF
Diversions from Storage to Irrigation .....	<u>4,600 AF</u>
TOTAL DIVERSIONS TO IRRIGATION .....	172,600 AF
Total Acres Irrigated .....	38,952 Acres
Average Demand for Irrigation .....	4.4 AF/Acre
Number of Active Ditches Observed .....	351
Number of Active Reservoirs Observed .....	45
Number of Active Springs Observed .....	244
Number of Active Wells Observed .....	40
Number of Inactive Structures Observed .....	<u>160</u>
TOTAL STRUCTURES OBSERVED .....	840
Total Number of Structures Regulated .....	40
Total Number of Field Observations Made .....	3,700



X. DIVISION ENGINEER'S SUMMARY

Table B

DIVISION SUMMARY - DIVISION NO. 6

1978 - Storage Report - Acre Feet

Water District	Amount in Storage Acre Feet 11-1-77	Amount in Storage Acre Feet 10-31-78	Actual Amt. Diverted to Storage During Season	Delivered from Storage to Irrigation	Storage for Industrial Use		Storage for Municipal Use		Storage for Recreational Use		Storage for Projects
					Use	Use	Use	Use	Use	Use	
43	7,924	7,776	203	351	0	0	0	0	7,467	0	0
44	15,599	16,232	2,206	1,500	8,310	0	0	0	6,775	0	0
47	15,069	22,046	12,001	5,024	0	0	0	0	9,600	0	0
54	454	482	426	390	0	0	0	0	218	0	0
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56	67	125	117	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
57	2,208	2,261	2,758	1,900	358	986	0	0	0	0	0
58	31,824	47,358	21,913	6,379	5,000	2,249	37,400	3235	61460	0	0
			15602		13668						

X. DIVISION ENGINEER'S SUMMARY

Table C

STRUCTURES REPORTED AND OBSERVATIONS MADE

Water District	Spgs. & Wells Reported	Reservoirs Reported	Active Ditches	Inactive Ditches	Total Structures Reported	Total Daily Observations	Total Structures Regulated
43	250	23	435	130	850	4,500	50
44	32	49	219	90	390	1,700	45
47	16	42	390	40	488	1,700	4
54	3	7	65	24	99	196	5
55	25	0	11	8	44	150	0
56	69	8	33	25	135	330	0
57	125	30	80	75	310	750	12
58	284	45	351	160	840	3,700	40
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>1,584</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>3,156</b>	<b>13,026</b>	<b>156</b>

## X. DIVISION ENGINEER'S SUMMARY

Table D

## WORKLOAD AND STATISTICAL INDICATORS

Acre Feet Water Used	1,222,621
Acre Feet Diverted for Agricultural Use	1,185,930
Acre Feet Diverted for Storage	39,624
Acre Feet Diverted for Industrial Use	11,518
Acre Feet Diverted for Recreation Use	27,808
Acre Feet Diverted for Domestic & Municipal Use	8,351
Acre Feet Diverted to Compact Commitment	0
Acre Feet Water Stored (10/31/78)	96,280
Acre Feet Water Transbasin Diversion	4,573
Acres Irrigated	240,119
Total Structures Administered	156
Total Daily Observations	13,026
Total Structures Observed or Reported	3,156

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XI. ANNUAL SUMMARY - DISTRICTS  
ACRE FEET (11-1-77 thru 10-31-78)

Districts	Non-Exempt Wells #	Ditch Structures Reported #	IRRIGATION			CURRENT YEAR		TRANS-MOUNTAIN	
			Direct Diversions To Irrigation	Diversions To Storage	Storage To Irrigation	Acres Irrigated	Export	Div. to Div. Import	
43	4	565	280,148	148	148	29,438	0	0	
44	11	309	172,900	1,100	900	30,880	0	0	
47	5	430	435,024	10,000	5,024	114,366	462	0	
54	0	89	47,000	426	398	12,000	0	0	
55	0	19	8,300	0	0	1,368	0	0	
56	0	58	8,759	117	59	2,335	0	0	
57	7	155	61,199	1,800	1,596	10,780	0	0	
58	11	511	172,600	11,000	4,600	38,952	4,111	0	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>2,136</b>	<b>1,185,930</b>	<b>24,591</b>	<b>12,725</b>	<b>240,119</b>	<b>4,573</b>	<b>0</b>	

Districts	MUNICIPAL		INDUSTRIAL		RECREATION Storage-Wildlife Parks	ACTUAL STORAGE		# Decree Applications	# WaterC Applications
	Direct Diversions To Storage	Storage Releases	Direct Diversions To Storage	Hydro-Power		For Year All Reservoirs	Div. to Div. Import		
43	2,000	0	0	0	7,467	7,776	54	32	
44	2,000	0	0	0	6,775	16,232	11	26	
47	400	0	0	0	9,600	22,046	36	27	
54	150	0	0	0	218	482	14	22	
55	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
56	200	0	0	0	0	125	1	0	
57	500	0	0	0	986	2,261	11	32	
58	3,100	162	0	0	37,400	47,358	37	140	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>8,351</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62,446</b>	<b>96,280</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>279</b>	

### XIII. RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

One of the biggest problems facing Water Division 6 is the low scale pay of the water commissioners compared to non-skilled or semi-skilled people in the area that form competition for housing and living expenses. According to a survey conducted in the spring of 1978, living expenses in this mountain area can run as high as 52 percent above the cost of living in the Denver area. As an example, housing in the Steamboat-Craig area is 72 percent higher than in the Denver area.

As a comparison in salaries, a truck driver hauling coal from the mine to the power plant starts at between \$20,000 and \$25,000 depending on overtime in a year as compared to a water commissioner at a little less than \$11,000 per year; plus such fringe benefit differences as full medical and year-end bonuses to name only two. This comparison alone shows the competition that plagues our commissioners. We have one commissioner who has quit to work as a laborer on the county road crew which pays considerably better than the state scale for water commissioners.

The result is that our younger commissioners have the choice of moonlighting or quitting for higher paying jobs. Eventually, the result will be personnel to allot the States most precious resource coming from the ranks of people that are not even qualified to work as common laborers.

It is recommended that commissioner salaries be raised to change this problem before more personnel leave these positions.

Ownership of water still remains one of the big problems. At the present time, title insurance companies will not insure title to any water within the State. When one of our most important resources and property rights gets to the point that titles cannot be insured, something should be done.

It is recommended that ownership be established through a water case application giving ownership which would be advertised in the usual manner. This would take some time, but would be better and cheaper than anything that has been proposed to date.

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WATER DISTRICT 43

RESERVOIR EVAPORATION AT 6450. FT.

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MONTH	EVAPORATION(INCHES)	NET DEPLETION(AF.)
11	1.86	62.
12	0.70	23.
1	0.52	17.
2	0.52	17.
3	1.66	55.
4	2.71	95.
5	3.47	121.
6	4.83	165.
7	5.66	193.
8	5.19	173.
9	4.48	146.
10	3.45	109.
	35.06	TOTALS 1178.

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IRRIGATION CONSUMPTIVE USE

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ELEV. 7700. FT.      3000. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 6/15/1978 - 8/15/1978  
 AB. BUFORD

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
6	2.43
7	5.10
8	1.80
	9.33 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 2334. ACRE FT.      0.778 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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ELEV. 6347. FT.      15500. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 5/10/1978 - 9/30/1978  
 WR. STO PICEANCE

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	2.14
6	4.79
7	6.30
8	5.12
9	2.21
	20.55 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 26541. ACRE FT.      1.712 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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ELEV. 6500. FT.      6738. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 4/15/1978 - 6/30/1978  
 TRIBS TO MEEKER

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
4	0.63
5	2.97
6	4.74
	8.34 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 4681. ACRE FT.      0.695 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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ELEV. 6300. FT.      2000. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 5/ 1/1978 - 7/15/1978  
PICEANCE, YELLOW

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	2.66
6	5.14
7	2.75

10.55 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION =      1759. ACRE FT.      0.879 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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ELEV. 5300. FT.      2200. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 5/ 1/1978 - 8/31/1978  
WR BEL PICEANCE

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	3.59
6	5.87
7	6.27
8	5.54

21.27 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION =      3900. ACRE FT.      1.773 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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IRRIGATION TOTALS FOR WATER DISTRICT 43  
39214. A.F. NET IRRIGATION DEPLETION      1.332 A.F./ACRE      29438. IRR. ACRES

WATER DISTRICT 44

RESERVOIR EVAPORATION AT 6390. FT.

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MONTH	EVAPORATION(INCHES)	NET DEPLETION(AF.)
11	1.72	109.
12	0.52	33.
1	0.52	33.
2	0.52	33.
3	1.70	108.
4	2.95	199.
5	3.50	251.
6	5.06	360.
7	5.92	406.
8	5.47	368.
9	4.52	300.
10	3.09	204.
	35.51	TOTALS 2404.

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IRRIGATION CONSUMPTIVE USE

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 ELEV. 6390. FT. 5800. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/ 1/1978 - 9/15/1978  
 YAMPA TO JUN SP

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	2.73
6	5.30
7	5.80
8	4.68
9	1.37

19.89 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 9611. ACRE FT. 1.657 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 5920. FT. 5300. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 4/25/1978 - 9/15/1978  
 YAMPA BELJUN SP

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
4	0.10
5	2.89
6	5.14
7	6.35
8	4.53
9	1.19

20.21 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 8926. ACRE FT. 1.684 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 6400. FT. 13253. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/10/1978 - 7/20/1978  
 TRIBS 1

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	1.88
6	5.17
7	3.65

10.70 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 11812. ACRE FT. 0.891 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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ELEV. 6700. FT.            6527. IRR. ACRES            IRR. SEASON 6/ 1/1978 - 8/15/1978  
TRIBS 2

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
6	4.71
7	5.86
8	2.00
12.58 YEARLY TOTAL	
NET DEPLETION =	6842. ACRE FT.            1.048 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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IRRIGATION TOTALS FOR WATER DISTRICT 44  
37191. A.F. NET IRRIGATION DEPLETION            1.204 A.F./ACRE            30880. IRR. ACRES

WATER DISTRICT 47

RESERVOIR EVAPORATION AT 8100. FT.

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MONTH	EVAPORATION (INCHES)	NET DEPLETION (AF.)
11	0.80	143.
12	0.60	108.
1	0.60	107.
2	0.50	107.
3	0.80	143.
4	2.36	514.
5	3.09	731.
6	4.57	1073.
7	5.30	1211.
8	4.86	1126.
9	4.04	961.
10	2.80	671.
	30.42	TOTALS 6896.

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IRRIGATION CONSUMPTIVE USE

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 ELEV. 8700. FT. 9516. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/ 1/1978 - 7/10/1978  
 MR TO 3R BRIDGE

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	1.30
6	4.30
7	1.51
	7.11 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 5637. ACRE FT. 0.592 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8300. FT. 9981. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/ 1/1978 - 7/15/1978  
 MR TO WALDEN

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	1.52
6	4.74
7	2.84
	8.89 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 7395. ACRE FT. 0.741 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8000. FT. 4878. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/15/1978 - 7/10/1978  
 MR BEL WALDEN

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	0.76
6	4.84
7	1.93
	7.53 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 3060. ACRE FT. 0.627 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8700. FT. 12527. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 4/20/1978 - 7/ 5/1978  
 ILL. AB MIDLAND

MONTH DEPLETION (INCHES)

4 0.23  
 5 1.30  
 6 4.30  
 7 0.75

6.58 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 6870. ACRE FT. 0.548 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8200. FT. 15435. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 4/20/1978 - 7/ 5/1978

BIG GRIZZLY

MONTH DEPLETION (INCHES)

4 0.67  
 5 2.19  
 6 4.46  
 7 0.77

8.09 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 10406. ACRE FT. 0.674 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8000. FT. 11405. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/ 1/1978 - 7/10/1978

CANADIAN

MONTH DEPLETION (INCHES)

5 1.39  
 6 4.84  
 7 1.93

8.16 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 7753. ACRE FT. 0.680 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8100. FT. 10741. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/ 5/1978 - 7/15/1978

ROARING FORK

MONTH DEPLETION (INCHES)

5 1.93  
 6 4.49  
 7 2.33

8.75 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 7835. ACRE FT. 0.729 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8100. FT. 13272. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/15/1978 - 7/25/1978

NORTH FORK

MONTH DEPLETION (INCHES)

5 1.21  
 6 4.49  
 7 3.89

9.60 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 10613. ACRE FT. 0.800 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8100. FT. 1043. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/ 1/1978 - 7/10/1978  
 NON TRIB

MONTH DEPLETION (INCHES)

5 2.21  
 6 4.49  
 7 1.56

8.26 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 718. ACRE FT. 0.688 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8000. FT. 4680. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/10/1978 - 7/15/1978  
 N PLATTE

MONTH DEPLETION (INCHES)

5 0.99  
 6 4.84  
 7 2.89

8.72 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 3399. ACRE FT. 0.726 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8100. FT. 11630. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 4/20/1978 - 7/15/1978  
 LITTLE GRIZZLY

MONTH DEPLETION (INCHES)

4 0.68  
 5 2.21  
 6 4.49  
 7 2.33

9.72 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 9419. ACRE FT. 0.810 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 8000. FT. 9258. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/10/1978 - 7/10/1978  
 LOWER ILLINOIS

MONTH DEPLETION (INCHES)

5 0.99  
 6 4.84  
 7 1.93

7.75 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 5981. ACRE FT. 0.646 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 IRRIGATION TOTALS FOR WATER DISTRICT 47  
 79087. A.F. NET IRRIGATION DEPLETION 0.692 A.F./ACRE 114366. IRR. ACRES

WATER DISTRICT 54

RESERVOIR EVAPORATION AT 7500. FT.

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MONTH	EVAPORATION(INCHES)	NET DEPLETION(AF.)
11	0.70	3.
12	0.52	2.
1	0.52	2.
2	0.52	2.
3	0.70	3.
4	2.40	12.
5	2.95	31.
6	4.51	49.
7	5.38	40.
8	4.92	21.
9	3.97	15.
10	2.54	10.
	29.65	TOTALS 189.

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IRRIGATION CONSUMPTIVE USE

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 ELEV. 6300. FT.      5500. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 5/ 1/1978 - 8/10/1978  
 SNAKE WILLOW

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	2.73
6	5.30
7	5.80
8	1.51
	15.33 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 7026. ACRE FT.      1.277 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 6500. FT.      4000. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 5/20/1978 - 7/15/1978  
 TRIBS

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	0.99
6	5.04
7	2.67
	8.70 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 2900. ACRE FT.      0.725 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 IRRIGATION TOTALS FOR WATER DISTRICT 54  
 9926. A.F. NET IRRIGATION DEPLETION      1.045 A.F./ACRE      9500. IRR. ACRES

WATER DISTRICT 55

RESERVOIR EVAPORATION AT 5354. FT.

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MONTH	EVAPORATION(INCHES)	NET DEPLETION(AF.)
11	1.86	0.
12	0.70	0.
1	0.52	0.
2	0.70	0.
3	2.64	0.
4	3.55	0.
5	4.25	0.
6	5.53	0.
7	6.32	0.
8	5.83	0.
9	4.85	0.
10	3.47	0.
	40.23	TOTALS 0.

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IRRIGATION CONSUMPTIVE USE

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 ELEV. 5400. FT. 1537. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/15/1978 - 9/ 1/1978  
 LOWER SNAKE

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	1.71
6	5.44
7	6.68
8	4.81
9	0.09
	18.72 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 2398.ACRE FT. 1.560 ACRE FT. PER ACRE  
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IRRIGATION TOTALS FOR WATER DISTRICT 55  
 2398. A.F. NET IRRIGATION DEPLETION 1.560 A.F./ACRE 1537.IRR. ACRES

WATER DISTRICT 56

RESERVOIR EVAPORATION AT 5500. FT.

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MONTH	EVAPORATION(INCHES)	NET DEPLETION(AF.)
11	1.83	3.
12	0.70	1.
1	0.70	1.
2	0.70	1.
3	2.41	8.
4	3.38	17.
5	3.99	25.
6	5.26	33.
7	6.11	31.
8	5.65	24.
9	4.67	16.
10	3.49	9.
	38.89	TOTALS 168.

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IRRIGATION CONSUMPTIVE USE

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ELEV. 5354. FT.      2230. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 4/ 1/1978 - 8/15/1978  
 GREEN R

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
4	1.24
5	3.34
6	5.78
7	6.91
8	2.26
	19.53 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION =      3629. ACRE FT.      1.628 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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IRRIGATION TOTALS FOR WATER DISTRICT 56  
 3629. A.F. NET IRRIGATION DEPLETION      1.628 A.F./ACRE      2230. IRR. ACRES

WATER DISTRICT 57

RESERVOIR EVAPORATION AT 6700. FT.

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MONTH	EVAPORATION(INCHES)	NET DEPLETION(AF.)
11	1.64	16.
12	0.52	5.
1	0.52	5.
2	0.52	5.
3	0.70	8.
4	2.89	59.
5	3.65	76.
6	5.11	83.
7	5.89	77.
8	5.44	65.
9	4.59	47.
10	3.24	33.
	34.73	TOTALS 480.

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IRRIGATION CONSUMPTIVE USE

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ELEV. 6375. FT. 6800. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/25/1978 - 10/15/1978  
YAMPA R

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	0.57
6	5.33
7	5.98
8	5.01
9	3.12
10	0.81

20.82 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 11800.ACRE FT. 1.735 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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ELEV. 6600. FT. 3980. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 6/ 1/1978 - 8/15/1978  
TRIBS

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
6	5.07
7	5.69
8	2.30

13.05 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 4330.ACRE FT. 1.088 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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IRRIGATION TOTALS FOR WATER DISTRICT 57

16130. A.F. NET IRRIGATION DEPLETION 1.496 A.F./ACRE 10780. IRR. ACRES

WATER DISTRICT 58

RESERVOIR EVAPORATION AT 8000. FT.

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MONTH	EVAPORATION(INCHES)	NET DEPLETION(AF.)
11	1.82	218.
12	0.70	84.
1	0.52	63.
2	0.52	64.
3	1.52	190.
4	2.53	360.
5	3.31	618.
6	4.61	968.
7	5.17	1074.
8	4.90	1001.
9	4.17	849.
10	2.92	585.
	32.70	TOTALS 6074.

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IRRIGATION CONSUMPTIVE USE

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ELEV. 8000. FT. 10500. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 5/15/1978 - 8/31/1978  
 ABOVE YAMPA

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
5	1.32
6	4.28
7	4.17
8	4.24
	14.00 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 12247. ACRE FT. 1.166 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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ELEV. 6770. FT. 6320. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 6/10/1978 - 9/15/1978  
 YAMPA TO ELK

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
6	3.35
7	4.59
8	4.01
9	1.10
	13.05 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 6871. ACRE FT. 1.087 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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ELEV. 6900. FT. 6600. IRR. ACRES IRR. SEASON 6/ 5/1978 - 9/ 5/1978  
 ELK

MONTH	DEPLETION (INCHES)
6	3.97
7	4.36
8	3.80
9	0.34
	12.47 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION = 6857. ACRE FT. 1.039 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 7800. FT.      5700. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 5/15/1978 - 8/20/1978  
 TRIBS AB SARVIS

MONTH      DEPLETION (INCHES)

5            1.34  
 6            4.34  
 7            4.23  
 8            2.77

12.68 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION =      6021. ACRE FT.                                      1.056 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 6800. FT.      5500. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 6/ 5/1978 - 8/31/1978  
 TRIBS BL SARVIS

MONTH      DEPLETION (INCHES)

6            4.15  
 7            4.58  
 8            4.00

12.72 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION =      5831. ACRE FT.                                      1.060 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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 ELEV. 7000. FT.      4500. IRR. ACRES      IRR. SEASON 6/ 1/1978 - 8/15/1978  
 TRIBS ELK

MONTH      DEPLETION (INCHES)

6            4.55  
 7            4.32  
 8            1.83

10.70 YEARLY TOTAL

NET DEPLETION =      4012. ACRE FT.                                      0.891 ACRE FT. PER ACRE

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IRRIGATION TOTALS FOR WATER DISTRICT      58  
 41839. A.F. NET IRRIGATION DEPLETION      1.069 A.F./ACRE      39120. IRR. ACRES

SUMMARY FOR WATER DISTRICT 43 IN ACRE-FT

IRRIGATION DEPLETION	39214.
RESERVOIR EVAPORATION	1178.
CHANGE IN RESERVOIR STORAGE	-148.
OUT OF BASIN DIVERSIONS	0.
MUNICIPAL+INDUSTRIAL CONSUMPTION	6300.
MISC. USE OR CORRECTIONS	500.
TOTAL DEPLETION	47044.

SUMMARY FOR WATER DISTRICT 44 IN ACRE-FT

IRRIGATION DEPLETION	37191.
RESERVOIR EVAPORATION	2404.
CHANGE IN RESERVOIR STORAGE	633.
OUT OF BASIN DIVERSIONS	375.
MUNICIPAL+INDUSTRIAL CONSUMPTION	1000.
MISC. USE OR CORRECTIONS	400.
TOTAL DEPLETION	42003.

SUMMARY FOR WATER DISTRICT 47 IN ACRE-FT

IRRIGATION DEPLETION	79087.
RESERVOIR EVAPORATION	6896.
CHANGE IN RESERVOIR STORAGE	6977.
OUT OF BASIN DIVERSIONS	462.
MUNICIPAL+INDUSTRIAL CONSUMPTION	100.
MISC. USE OR CORRECTIONS	600.
TOTAL DEPLETION	94122.

SUMMARY FOR WATER DISTRICT 54 IN ACRE-FT

IRRIGATION DEPLETION	9926.
RESERVOIR EVAPORATION	189.
CHANGE IN RESERVOIR STORAGE	28.
OUT OF BASIN DIVERSIONS	0.
MUNICIPAL+INDUSTRIAL CONSUMPTION	0.
MISC. USE OR CORRECTIONS	100.
TOTAL DEPLETION	10244.

SUMMARY FOR WATER DISTRICT 55 IN ACRE-FT

IRRIGATION DEPLETION	2398.
RESERVOIR EVAPORATION	0.
CHANGE IN RESERVOIR STORAGE	0.
OUT OF BASIN DIVERSIONS	0.
MUNICIPAL+INDUSTRIAL CONSUMPTION	0.
MISC. USE OR CORRECTIONS	100.
TOTAL DEPLETION	2498.

SUMMARY FOR WATER DISTRICT 56 IN ACRE-FT

IRRIGATION DEPLETION	3629.
RESERVOIR EVAPORATION	168.
CHANGE IN RESERVOIR STORAGE	45.
OUT OF BASIN DIVERSIONS	0.
MUNICIPAL+INDUSTRIAL CONSUMPTION	0.
MISC. USE OR CORRECTIONS	100.
TOTAL DEPLETION	3942.

SUMMARY FOR WATER DISTRICT 57 IN ACRE-FT

IRRIGATION DEPLETION	16130.
RESERVOIR EVAPORATION	480.
CHANGE IN RESERVOIR STORAGE	53.
OUT OF BASIN DIVERSIONS	836.
MUNICIPAL+INDUSTRIAL CONSUMPTION	5200.
MISC. USE OR CORRECTIONS	100.
TOTAL DEPLETION	22799.

SUMMARY FOR WATER DISTRICT 58 IN ACRE-FT

IRRIGATION DEPLETION	41839.
RESERVOIR EVAPORATION	6074.
CHANGE IN RESERVOIR STORAGE	15534.
OUT OF BASIN DIVERSIONS	2900.
MUNICIPAL+INDUSTRIAL CONSUMPTION	700.
MISC. USE OR CORRECTIONS	300.
TOTAL DEPLETION	67347.

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 DIVISION 6 BREAKDOWN BY RIVER BASIN  
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	YAMPA	LITTLE SNAKE	GREEN	WHITE	N PLATTE	COLORADO
IRRIG DPLTN	95160.	12324.	3629.	39214.	79087.	150328.
RES EVAP	8958.	189.	168.	1178.	6896.	10493.
CHG STORAGE	16220.	28.	45.	-148.	6977.	16145.
MUN-IND	6900.	0.	0.	6300.	100.	13200.
TRANS-MTN	4111.	0.	0.	0.	462.	4111.
MISC	800.	200.	100.	500.	600.	1600.
OUTFLOW	1464900.	507100.	5000.	529000.	362900.	2506000.
BASIN YIELD	1597048.	519842.	6942.	576044.	457022.	2701877.
CONS USE	132148.	12742.	3942.	47044.	94122.	195877.
PCT CONS	0.0827	0.0245	0.4409	0.0817	0.2059	0.0725

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DIVISION 6 TOTAL IRRIGATION DEPLETION IN ACRE FT. 229415.

IRRIGATED ACRES 237851.

ACRE FT. PER ACRE 0.965

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Notes: Yampa River outflow is estimated flow above confluence of Little Snake River

North Platte outflow does not include Big Creek or Encampment River

Little Snake River does not include any uses in Wyoming