

DISTRICT COURT - PRBA  
Fifth Judicial District  
County of Twin Falls - State of Idaho

MAY 29 2026

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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE  
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS**

**In Re PRBA** ) **Subcase: 87-00001GP**  
) )  
) **SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT AND**  
**Case No. 59576** ) **RECOMMENDATION**  
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**I. FINDINGS OF FACT**

The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources ("IDWR") filed the *Director's Report, Irrigation & Other Uses, IDWR Basin 87*, which included a recommendation for a General Provision in Basin 87. The only General Provision which was recommended for Basin 87 was the General Provision for connected sources. IDWR recommended a General Provision which acknowledged that there were no water rights and no water sources that would be administered separately from other water rights in Basin 87. In addition, the Recommended General Provision acknowledged that there were no water rights or water sources that would be administered separately from water rights in the Palouse River Basin.

The Recommended General Provision also specified that all water rights within Basin 87 would be administered as connected sources of water in the Palouse River Basin in accordance with the prior appropriation doctrine. (*See, Recommended General Provision for Basin 87*)

The City of Moscow filed an *Objection* to the Proposed General Provision. The Objection stated that a General Provision should not be recommended for Basin 87. The Objection argued that there was insufficient evidence to show that all water rights within Basin 87 were interconnected. *See City of Moscow Objection.*


After multiple hearings and settlement discussions between the Idaho Department of Water Resources and the City of Moscow, the parties signed a *Standard Form 5*. The *SF5*

provided that "No General Provisions are recommended for Basin 87." The *Standard Form 5* was placed on the Docket Sheet. No objections were filed, and the time for filing such objections has now expired. There are no unresolved objections remaining.

## II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the file and record herein, IT IS RECOMMENDED that there shall be no General Provision in Basin 87, consistent with the *Standard Form 5 for 87-00001GP*. Therefore, IT IS RECOMMENDED that the general provision be decreed as set forth in the attached **general provision**.

Dated: May 29, 2026.

  
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BRIGETTE BILYEU  
Special Master  
Palouse River Basin Adjudication

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**BASIN 87 GENERAL PROVISION**

No general provisions are decreed for Basin 87