## BEAR RIVER COMPACT MEETING SHIRLEY-SAVOY HOTEL, DENVER

November 13, 1944

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Minutes of Meeting of Bear River Tri-State Committee.

A meeting of the Bear River Tri-State Committee was held at Denver, November 13, 1944 at 9: a.m. The following were present:

L. C. Bishop, State Engineer, Cheyenne, Wyoming
Mark R. Kulp, State Reclamation Engineer, Boise, Idaho
Ed. H. Watson, State Engineer, Salt Lake City, Utah
Robert Follansbee, U. S. Geological Survey, Denver, Colorado
Glenn L. Parker, U. S. Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.
Thomas R. Newell, U. S. Geological Survey, Boise, Idaho
M. T. Wilson, U. S. Geological Survey, Salt Lake City, Utah

W. V. Iorns, U. S. Geological Survey, Logan, Utah

E. O. Larson, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, Salt Lake City, Utah

E. G. Nielsen, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colorado

R. E. Kennedy, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colorado

A. L. Merrill, Attorney, Bear River Water Users, Pocatello, Idaho

F. M. Cooper, Manager, Last Chance Canal Company, Grace, Idaho

W. R. Wallace, President, Utah Water Users, Salt Lake City, Utah

E. J. Skeen, Assistant Attorney General, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Ed. H. Watson presided, and L. C. Bishop acted as secretary.

Mr. W. V. Iorns of the U. S. Geological Survey, engineer in charge of hydrological work on Bear River system during the past irrigation season, made an oral report on work accomplished which included the installation and operation of gauging stations on the entire system, including tributaries. The report was followed by a general discussion of various features of the program. Mr. Iorns agreed to furnish to the chairman for distribution, three prints of maps showing canals and points of diversion on the Bear River system. After a discussion of the advisability of compiling a list of water rights, it was moved by Mr. Bishop and duly seconded that within six months from the date of the meeting, the State

Engineers of Utah and Wyoming, and the State Reclamation Engineer of Idaho, would each prepare a list of rights to the use of water of Bear River and tributaries in his respective state showing, (1) name of water user; (2) priority date; (3) quantity appropriated; (4) point of diversion, and (5) description of use, which shall, in case water is used for irrigation, include a description of land irrigated; and that copies of such lists be delivered to the chairman for distribution to other Committee members. The motion carried.

Mr. Iorns rendered a financial statement, a copy of which follows:

## Cash Funds Available for Fiscal Year 1944-45

Utah

Wyoming

Geological Survey

Bureau of Reclamation

Total Cash Funds

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Idaho	<b>\$</b> 3,799.99
Utah	3,770.83
Wyoming	3,300.00
Balance in State Funds, 1944	1,325.15
Geological Survey	9,287.49
Balance in Geological Survey Fund	ds 174.87
Bureau of Reclamation	10,850.44 (Estimated 25%)
Total Cash	\$ 32,508.77
Cash Costs for Fiscal Year 1944-45	
Salaries	\$ 19,580.51
Subsistence	1,590.44
Auto & Travel	3,451.34
Equipment, Supplies, & Office Co.	sts 1,171.14
Materials	864.06
Gauge Readers	1,729.16
Reviewing Records & Publishing	739.14
Depreciation	649.14
	\$ 29,774.94
Contributions:	
Idaho	\$ 4,466.66

3,354.17

2,967.00

10,287.83

10,656.22

\$ 31,731.88

The Committee discussed generally the desirability of continuing the work and it was unanimously decided to proceed under the present
arrangement until such time as the Committee declared that sufficient
data had been collected for compact purposes. It was moved and duly
carried that each state make budget requests for the next legislature
in the amount of \$8,000 for this co-operative work for the biennium ending June 30, 1947, to be matched with \$12,000 per year from the U. S.
Geological Survey, and \$12,000 per year from the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation.

It was moved and duly seconded that Mr. Iorns' report be accepted and approved, and that he be commended for his accomplishments. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

Attest Secretary

Chairman