



**Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Monday, January 3, 2022 - 6:30 PM  
Conference Call**

- CALL TO ORDER** President Steve Becker called the meeting of the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts Board of Directors conference call to order at 6:30 PM on Monday, January 3, 2022.
- PRESENT** Those present included Steve Becker, Matt Woodard, Richard Kunau, Bob Flagor, Devin Fielding, Joan Cloonan, Kit Tillotson and Benjamin Kelly.
- BUSINESS MEETING** The board reviewed the Annual Business Meeting agenda that will be held on January 17 at the Crystal Ballroom in Boise. The topics listed will included:
- Call to Order - Steve Becker, President
  - Roll Call - Districts Present
  - Minutes for Approval
    - Thursday, November 12, 2020 (motion)
  - Resolutions Before the Membership
    - o Resolution R-21-1 (Nez Perce)
    - o Resolution R-21-2 (Nez Perce)
    - o Resolution R-21-03 (Ada)
    - o Resolution R-21-04 (Ada)
    - o Resolution R-21-05 (Latah)
    - o Resolution R-21-06 (Portneuf)
  - Treasurers Report
    - o 2021 Year End Financial
    - o 2022 Current Financial
    - o 2022 Budget
    - o 2023 Proposed Budget (motion)
  - New business
    - o Water Quality Program for Agriculture (WQPA)
    - o Open Discussion
  - Announcements - Upcoming Dates in Boise
    - o Legislative Social - January 17
    - o IASCD Display Day - January 18
- WQPA INTEREST** The final agenda will be sent soon, which will include the 6 resolutions reviewed at division meetings (see attached) and another key issue that IASCD & ISWCC have been working on together and with other partners - to gage the interest of getting the Water Quality Program for Agriculture (WQPA) reinstated. WQPA is the grant program through which Soil & Water Conservation Districts (SWCD's) and the Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission (ISWCC) historically provided financial assistance for agricultural BMP and watershed improvement projects. ISWCC and the SWCD's frequently partnered with NRCS to combine WQPA and NRCS funding to maximize project implementation and results. WQPA is

already authorized by Idaho Code section 22-2733 but has not been funded since the budget cuts necessitated by the recession.

At the last ISWCC meeting, both IASCD & ISWCC spoke about evaluating the interest of the Governor's office and the Legislature in resuming funding for the program to coincide and help expand upon the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality's Best Management Practices (BMP) program. There is a current list of projects that have been submitted to ISWCC but all districts haven't had meetings yet to discuss if they have projects that could fall under the WQPA umbrella. The reason for the list is to be able to pinpoint how much funding the program could expand to and get good conservation on the ground.

ZOOM AVAILABILITY The board continued their conversation from earlier meetings concerning the provision of a Zoom option for the business meeting. Steve Becker asked for discussion from the board. Bob Flagor moved Zoom be provided for the Annual Business Meeting on January 17. Seconded. Passed.

ADJOURNMENT Steve Becker adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Benjamin Kelly, Executive Director