

July 17, 2020

Sent via email to: <u>brian.oakey@isda.idaho.gov</u>

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*RE:* Comments on Proposed changes to Rules Governing Pesticide and Chemigation Use and Application IDAPA 02.03.03

Dear Mr. Oakey,

On behalf of the Idaho Water Users Association (IWUA), I submit the following comments on the proposed changes to Rules Governing Pesticide and Chemigation Use and Application (IDAPA 02.03.03) (Applicator Rules). In addition, IWUA is a member of Food Producers of Idaho, which will be submitting comments on this matter.

IWUA is a non-profit corporation representing approximately 300 canal companies, irrigation districts, ground water districts, municipal and public water suppliers, hydroelectric companies, aquaculture interests, agri-businesses, professional firms and individuals throughout Idaho. Irrigation entity employees apply chemicals to thousands of miles of canals and other necessary infrastructure throughout Idaho to ensure the safe and efficient delivery of water.

IWUA appreciates the Department of Agriculture's responsiveness to questions and efforts to review and revise the Applicator rules. We don't have any specific comments on the proposed changes at this time. However, we will continue to participate in this process and assist as appropriate in the development of these rules.

Sincerely,

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Paul Arrington