

Flathead Joint Board of Control

Resolution 2013-3

Be it resolved by the Flathead Joint Board of Control, that:

Whereas over the course of years in negotiations aimed at reaching a settlement of conflicting water rights claims to water delivered by the Flathead Project with the Flathead Tribes and the United States the Board has participated in good faith, as have all parties, in attempting to reach agreement;

Whereas notwithstanding that a majority of the Board does not support all aspects of the current Proposed Water Use Agreement dated January 17, 2013 ;

Whereas, notwithstanding that, the Board recognizes that an negotiated resolution of these water rights issues is preferable and superior to a litigated solution if the terms of the agreement are, in themselves, sufficient to secure the rights of irrigators, including rights to water and property and participation;

Now, therefore, the FJBC does resolve that it desires to negotiate such an agreement with the Tribes and the United States in due course and will lend its best, good faith efforts to do so in the coming months, but on the condition that no adverse action is taken legally or in the operation of the Project toward the rights and interests of irrigators to receive irrigation water from the Project

Adopted this day 5-24-13

Approved Laura Brown Cole

Attested Wayne E Blewins

WATER POLICY INTERIM
COMMITTEE. 2013-14

June 18, 2013

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