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### **GOVERNOR APPOINTS TWO NEW MEMBERS TO IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD**

(BOISE) – Rupert farmer **John A. "Bert" Stevenson**, former chairman of the Idaho Legislature's House Resources and Conservation Committee, was among two new members appointed by Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter to the Idaho Water Resource Board today.

Former Representative Stevenson succeeds Leonard Beck of Burley, who served 12 years on the seven-member Water Resource Board. Governor Otter also appointed Boise attorney **Al Barker**, a well-known water lawyer, to succeed outgoing Chairman Terry Uhling. The terms for both Beck and Uhling expired January 1.

In addition, the Governor reappointed former state representative and Pocatello mayor **Roger Chase** and **Vince Alberdi** of Kimberly to new four-year terms on the Water Resource Board.

"We've always been fortunate in Idaho to have a deep and talented pool of individuals ready and willing to continue Idaho's tradition of actively and wisely managing the most important of all our natural resources – water," Governor Otter said. "Bert and Al are the latest to take on that mantle, and I'm confident their service will be consistent with the tradition of conscientious oversight that has been the hallmark of the Water Board."

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