

**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** JR Hayes [<mailto:jrandkarenhayes@gmail.com>]  
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**To:** Anga Velasquez  
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At the public hearing conducted in Idaho Falls concerning this request we were told that public input would be accepted until today.

As I have thought further about CCHU's request and after listening to the other comments made at the hearing last Tuesday, It looks like the proposed rate increase favors those who use the most water. According to the proposed rate increase schedule the big users rates would increase by the smallest %. I think the rate increase should be on the base rate and the gallons at the base rate should remain the same at 30,000 gallons. It was evident that those who water their yards all exceed and some usually use twice that amount during the summer months. I have eleven connections and they are all on timed sprinkler systems and we always use more than the base of 30,000 gallons per month at each connection during the summer.

I know you said you would be fair as you determined what the increase should be. I think Mr. Groth needs an increase but the one he proposed was much more than the 32% he said he was asking for. I think his increase should be limited to a base rate increase.

There is a good deal of wasted water at times during the summer because there is no float control on the storage tank and when the two wells produce more water than is needed the extra water exits through a large overflow pipe on the storage tank and runs unused down the side of the hill below the tank. If an effective measure of conservation were to be applied, it seems that a float in the storage tank which would shut the pumps off when the tank was full would be one of the best changes that could be made. It seems that the overflow prevention and the associated savings would be a better place to start than to try to get the rate payers to pay more for their service.

Thank you for taking time to consider my concerns. Please put me on an email list to let me know what the commission's final decision is.

Thank You, J.R. Hayes