Minidoka Irrigation District has applied for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program grant funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to fund the Flood Water Ditch in Rupert, Idaho; with matching funds provided by the Minidoka Irrigation District. Pursuant to 44 CFR Part 9.12, FEMA gives early notice under Executive Order (EO) 11988, Floodplain Management or EO 11990, Wetland Protection; since this action is located in or affects the floodplain or may affect wetlands.

The project site is located in or affects the floodplain of the Lake Walcott Hydrologic Unit (HUC 17040209). The purpose of the project is to alleviate flood damage risks. The proposed action includes:

SCOPE OF SERVICES - B1 TO B2/1 CONNECTION

In conjunction with the construction of the B1 to B2/1 Connection and the upgrades to the Cap Hawley Pump Station Minidoka Irrigation District (MID) proposes the following scope of work will be completed.

DESIGN: Sunrise Engineering Incorporated (SEI) will prepare a design for an open channel canal to convey flows from the King Spill structure to the B2/1 lateral located 0.6 miles west of the King Spill. SEI will also prepare design criteria and plans for pump upgrades to the Cap Hawley Pump Station to achieve a 50 cfs design flow.

BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION: It is anticipated the project will be completed by MID construction forces.

Comments concerning the proposed action will be accepted from the affected public; local, state, and federal agencies; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate alternatives and the environmental impacts of the proposed action. Comments should be made in writing, sent to the point of contact listed below, and postmarked within 30 days of publication of this notice.

Additional information about the project, including a project area map, can be obtained from the applicant contact below.

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Given the nature of the proposed action, if no public comments are received, no further public notice will be conducted for this project.