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MEMORANDUM

TO: Council members

FROM: Ben Kujala

SUBJECT: Briefing on recent weather compared to past years

BACKGROUND:

Presenter: Ron Abramovich, water supply specialist, Natural Resources Conservation Service; Jay Breidenbach, warning coordination meteorologist, National Weather Service Boise; and Troy Lindquist, senior hydrologist, National Weather Service Boise

Summary: Weather conditions in the region have led to a high volume of water going through the hydro generation system. This panel will discuss how these conditions differ from previous years. The weather also effects the regional use of electricity. While the weather each year gives an opportunity to provide some context to the data we use in planning the power system, this year has some particularly unusual characteristics. The panel will explore the comparison of the weather experienced this year to previous year's experiences.