

ACRES OF IRELAND WELL OWNERS, LLC
P.O. BOX 123
HOWARD, CO 81233



President - Edgar Zabrisky
Vice President – Chip Cutler
Treasurer – Dave Bratton
Secretary – Thomas Kainz
Member-at-Large – Marshall Nichols

June 1, 2017

RE: Status Update & Board Election

Greetings Well Owners:

The Board continues to manage the required water releases, to offset our out of priority well diversions, under the Acres of Ireland plan for augmentation. We hold a record of full compliance extending over the past seven (7) years. We remain in full compliance with the water court's decree, and continue our monthly reporting to the Division 2 Engineer. These efforts carry costs, beyond the volunteer hours involved. The Board works hard to minimize costs. Last year we managed all compliance efforts at an annual fee of \$45.00 per well owner. Just over half of the existing well owners paid their annual dues. For those electing to duck this cost and to pass the expense to your neighbors, your decision is unfair and irresponsible.

The Board will report non-payers to the Colorado Division of Water Resources, and publish the non-payers on the website. We can't say, and we have no control over, how the Division Engineer's office may respond. We'd prefer to avoid this step, but deem it a reasonable step to promote a fair sharing of the costs and responsibilities we chose. We voted, as a subdivision, to solve this problem ourselves and to keep the management and ownership of the water right and property 'in house'. It's fair that each well user pays his or her share. Please recall the Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District's proposed annual administration expense exceeded \$100.00 per well user, and more for homes seeking outdoor use.

For 2017, the Board decided that the fee would not increase over last year, it remains \$45.00. Your payments ensure our ability to continue subdivision compliance efforts, and our ability to maintain the equipment and property needed for that compliance. This year's fee will cover our liability insurance for the pond lot, the general maintenance of the pond lot and our diversion and measurement structures, and our continuing administration and postage. Any remainder funds will be deposited in the AOIWO, LLC emergency reserve account at year's end. Such reserves may help defray the amount of future annual fees, or remain available to cover currently unforeseen expenses.

Those who have joined AOIWO, LLC and are current on their fees are considered members "in good standing". Members in good standing are eligible to hold an elected or appointed position on the Board of Directors of AOIWO, LLC. Any member in good standing, interested in serving on the Board, is encouraged to contact a board member. Each member in good standing has one vote. All members are encouraged to emphasize to new residents or neighbors the importance of the Board's efforts and the need for fee payments to allow us to remain an autonomous and self-sufficient reporting subdivision.

Currently three (3) volunteer Board positions stand for re-election. Incumbent Board members standing for re-election this year are President Ed Zabrisky, Secretary Tom Kainz, and Member at Large Marshall

Nichols. Each has volunteered for reelection and, if elected, has agreed to serve a new two-year term. **Any member in good standing may submit a written candidate nomination for any of these three Board positions. Nominations must be received at the address above, before June 21, 2017.** Nominees must be members in good standing with AOIWO, LLC. Please submit write-in nominations on the enclosed forms. Depending on responses, ballots will be mailed separately. Votes will be tallied by July 15, 2017, with results published on the website, www.acresofireland.com.

Your 2017 payment of \$45.00 is **now due**, please arrange payment by June 21st if you wish to vote in this years election. Please either hand deliver payment to any AOIWO, LLC board member, or mail your payments to the above address. Please visit our website at to read about our history, find updates, and answers to your general questions.

The Board thanks you for your support, and looks forward to faithfully serving you in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Edgar Zabrisky, President

Important Deadlines

- | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| June 21st | Last day to submit a name to be included on the ballot <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Both you and the nominee MUST be members in good standing on or before the name is submitted. You may include your annual dues along with your nomination |
| June 26th | Ballots will be mailed out <u>to member's in good standing</u> |
| July 10th | Last day for ballots <u>to be received</u> by AOIWO, LLC (by mail or in person) |
| July 15th | Web site will be updated with voting results and new Board of Directors |

A Final Reminder

This year's election ballots will only be mailed out to those members in good standing.

Nomination Form:

Your Name: _____ Your Address: _____

I am a member in good standing: **Yes**, **No** but my \$45 in dues are enclosed.

Nominees Name (may also be your name if you want to run): _____

Position Nominated for: **President**, **Secretary**, **Member-at-Large**, **Any**

Nominee is a member in good standing: **Yes**, **No** but their \$45 in dues are enclosed

Nomination Form:

Your Name: _____ Your Address: _____

I am a member in good standing: **Yes**, **No** but my \$45 in dues are enclosed.

Nominees Name (may also be your name if you want to run): _____

Position Nominated for: **President**, **Secretary**, **Member-at-Large**, **Any**

Nominee is a member in good standing: **Yes**, **No** but their \$45 in dues are enclosed

I am enclosing my annual dues (\$45).

Your Name: _____ Your Address: _____

Please add any additional information you'd like to present to the board:

Fold this form on the dotted lines on the reverse side, tape or staple shut, add a stamp and mail.
This form must be received by the AOIWO, LLC BEFORE June 21, 2017.

Stamp

Acres of Ireland Well Owners, LLC

P.O. Box 123

Howard, CO 81233
