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INLAND EMPIRE WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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for immediate release

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IEWA SEEKS \$756,000,000 PROGRAM SPREAD OVER 6 YEARS

A six-year program for planning and construction of multiple-purpose navigation and power dams and of flood control projects in the Columbia Basin, calling for an average expenditure of \$126,000,000 a year, was adopted by the Inland Empire Waterways Association at the 24th annual convention in Longview.

The resolution, which was directed to the United States Congress and the Bureau of the Budget was one of 35 adopted in what was described as the most successful convention in the history of IEWA.

Others called for various channel and dam-building projects, urged funds for fisheries programs, for studies of controversial projects, for raising railroad bridges which hinder river transportation, for repair of various breakwaters and jetties, and opposed a bill which would place headwater resources in the hands of an advisory committee.

Instead of strongly advising immediate construction of a 40-foot ship channel in the Columbia River below Portland, the Association urged Congress to appropriate \$45,000 for fiscal year 1959 for study of the matter. This sum would be added to \$45,000 already available for fiscal year 1958.

The convention, through its resolutions:

Affirmed its position in support of the comprehensive plan in the "308" report.

Opposed user charges or tolls on inland waterways and coastal harbors.

Urged the Congress of the United States to appropriate funds to keep the Columbia River fisheries program on schedule.

Urged Congress to appropriate \$2,400,000 for Chief Joseph Dam, \$14,000,000 for The Dalles Dam, \$25,000,000 for Ice Harbor, \$10,000,000 for John Day, \$12,000,000 for Hills Creek Dam, \$7,000,000 for Cougar Dam, \$2,000,000 for Green Peter and \$6,000,000 for Eagle Gorge Dam for fiscal year 1959.

Requested the international joint commission to expedite action on Libby Dam project.

Urged navigation locks for any dams built on the Columbia river in Washington below the limit of navigation.

Urged funds for completing and maintaining the 27-foot Columbia River channel project between Vancouver and The Dalles.

Requested early completion of studies for modification of Bonneville lock.

Urged modification of railroad bridges at Pasco and Finley to benefit navigation.

Recommended the appropriation of \$10,000,000 annually for jetty and backwater repairs.

Endorsed the \$19,800,000 Yaquina Bay project, \$1,693,100 Siuslaw river and Port Townsend and Bellingham projects and over \$112,000,000 in flood control projects.

Urged Congress to appropriate funds for the Coos-Millicoma rivers dredging project.

Supported the 50-50 shipping policy for federal aid cargo.

Requested changes in the Panama canal toll policies.

Urged the early construction of Bruce Eddy Dam.

Supported early construction of the Lewis and Clark highway in Idaho.

Sought to alleviate hazardous current conditions just below Bonneville Dam.

Urged modernization of Willamette Falls locks near Oregon City.

Urged a minimum six-foot barge channel at low water on the Willamette between Oregon City and Corvallis.

Requested funds for bank protection work at Kalama, Wash.

Authorized Herbert G. West, executive vice president, to go to Washington to appear before congressional committees to seek repeal of transportation excise taxes.

Urged more recreational planning in the Columbia Basin.



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IEWA TO SEEK FUNDS FOR NORTHWEST WATER PROJECTS

The Inland Empire Waterways Association will ask Congress to allocate \$61 million for construction and planning of six Pacific Northwest dams.

At a meeting of IEWA board of directors in Spokane, the board announced they will seek \$25 million for John Day dam on the Columbia and \$32 million for Ice Harbor dam on the Snake River. Both amounts would be for continuation of construction.

Herbert G. West, executive Vice President, said \$2,500,000 will be asked for Lower Monumental Dam, second in a series of four on the Lower Snake River. The funds, he said, would place the dam in the construction stage and would complete the remaining planning work.

The official said \$500,000 will be asked for planning of Little Goose and \$250,000 for Lower Granite dams. These are the third and fourth dams needed to provide slackwater on the Snake River between its confluence with the Columbia River and Lewiston, Idaho.

Another \$770,000 will be asked for planning the Bruce's Eddy Dam on the north fork of the Clearwater River in Idaho.

The board appointed a committee to study the suggested California intertie which has been proposed by the Bonneville Power Administration. One purpose of the project would be to sell BPA surplus power to California.

Under terms of the proposal, California would sell surplus steam power to the Northwest when available, West said.

Charles Baker, Walla Walla, president of IEWA, was named committee chairman. Members are Norman L. Krey and A. B. Martin, Spokane; Brig. Gen. Louis H. Foote (U.S. A. Ret.) Portland and Dr. Paul J. Raver, Seattle. All are Board members.

The Board reaffirmed its support of the Army Engineers 308 report concerning proposals for Northwest water resource development.

The Association will renew its efforts to obtain completion of a 27-foot channel in the Columbia River to The Dalles, Oregon and reaffirmed its stand at the recent 308 report hearings for modification of Bonneville Lock and Dam.

The group named two new members to the Board of Directors filling vacancies existing since the annual convention last December. The new members are Edward T. Chambers, president of the Port of The Dalles, Ore. and Irvin Mann, Jr., president of the Port of Umatilla, Stanfield, Ore.

New regional county vice presidents confirmed were E. E. Baker, assistant cashier of the National Bank of Commerce, Ellensburg, to represent Kittitas county; Pat O'Halloran, Wenatchee, president of the Port of Chelan County and commercial director of radio station KPQ, vice president for Chelan county and William F. Craig, vice president of Spokane Garnet Sand and Sales Co., Fernwood, Idaho who will represent Shoshone County, Idaho.

Lewiston, Idaho was selected for the Association's 26th annual convention and the dates were set as Oct. 26 and 27. The next board meeting will be held at Coos Bay, Ore. the last of June.



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"UNITY OF PURPOSE IN WATER RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT"

Marks I. E. W. A. 's 30th Anniversary.

Plans for the 30th Anniversary Convention of the Inland Empire Waterways Association have been completed. The Convention to be held at The Hotel Multnomah, Portland, Oregon, November 3-4-5 will feature many speakers of National prominence.

The Convention theme commemorating IEWA's 30 years of leadership is "Unity of Purpose in Water Resource Development". The Association's geographical area extends throughout Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska.

Herbert G. West, Executive Vice President, said that representatives of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Federal Power Commission, Bureau of Reclamation, Bonneville Power Administration, Interstate Commerce Commission, Bureau of the Budget and National Rivers and Harbors Congress will be present to address the Convention.

Senator Henry M. Jackson (D. Wash.) will address a joint luncheon with the Portland Chamber of Commerce on Monday, November 4. As Chairman of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, he is expected to have a timely and important message for the delegates.

Elmer Staats will address the joint luncheon with the Downtown Kiwanis Club on Tuesday, November 5. As Deputy Director of the Bureau of the Budget, Staats will high-light the activities of his Department as they affect the water resource program.

The Association will open its Convention on Sunday, November 3 with a meeting of its Board of Directors, and later in the day the important Coordination Committee will meet to discuss a possible merger of the Association.

Representing the Corps of Engineers will be Major General Jackson Graham, Director of Civil Works, Washington, D. C. and Major General William W. Lapsley, Division Engineer, Portland, Oregon. Charles F. Luce, Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration, and Harold T. Nelson, Regional Director, Bureau of Reclamation, will also appear on the program.

From Washington, D. C. representing the Interstate Commerce Commission will be Commissioner Paul J. Tierney and representing the Federal Power Commission will be Vice Chairman Charles R. Ross.

From the State of Florida will be Henry H. Buckman, President, National Rivers and Harbors Congress which is headquartered in the Nation's Capital.

Charles Baker, President, Inland Empire Waterways Association, reported that invitations will be mailed out shortly. Further information concerning this Convention may be sought from IEWA in Walla Walla, Washington, Baker said.

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April 27, 1964

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Inland Empire Waterways Association is seeking funds to initiate construction of Lower Granite Dam and planning funds for Asotin Dam, both on the Snake River, as 30 representatives of five Northwest states appear before Congressional Subcommittees on Appropriations April 28 and 29.

Headed by Herbert G. West, Executive Vice President of I. E. W. A., the delegation left for Washington, D. C. Saturday. They are testifying before the proper committees as well as having appointments with numerous agencies interested in the water resource development of the Nation.

This is Mr. West's 31st appearance before the Congress in the interests of development of the Northwest's rivers and the harbors and ports on the Pacific Coast and Alaska.

Starting with the inception of the organization 31 years ago I. E. W. A. each year has presented documented evidence of the need for continuing comprehensive development of the water resources.

West said the group is testifying on all recommendations of the Bureau of the Budget in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska and will support the recommendations of the Budget Bureau totaling approximately \$179,130,000.

In addition they are seeking \$15,190,000 in additional funds for projects not included in the President's budget or additional money that can be used on recommended projects.

The total requests, West explained, will amount to \$196,370,000. The President's budget did not include construction money for Lower Granite Dam, last in the series of four projects on the lower Snake River between the mouth and Lewiston, Idaho. I. E. W. A. will request \$1,600,000 to complete engineering and design and initiate construction. They also are asking \$300,000 to start planning on Asotin Lock and Dam on the Snake River above Lewiston.

Funds for major projects in the Northwest being sought include Blue River Reservoir, Oregon; Dworshak Dam, Idaho; Cougar Creek Dam and Fall Creek Reservoir, Oregon; Green Peter and Foster Reservoir, Oregon; John Day Dam, Oregon and Washington; Little Goose and Lower Monumental Dams, Snake River, Washington; Libby Dam, Montana; Lost Creek Reservoir, Oregon; Snettisham Project, Alaska and Wynoochie Reservoir, Washington.

The largest appropriation being sought is \$83,000,000 for John Day Dam on the Columbia River. This amount is \$11,000,000 more than the President's budget recommendation of \$72,000,000.

West said the group going to Washington, D. C. is well representative of the Northwest states and includes individuals who are "deeply and vitally interested in the water resource program."

They include individuals from Coos Bay, Ore. up the Pacific Coast to Alaska, from the mouth of the Columbia River to Wenatchee and Grant County, up the Snake River into Idaho as well as representatives from Southern Idaho and Western Montana.

I. E. W. A. , in its work to reinstate funds for Lower Granite, is emphasizing the benefits of completing the dam for navigation purposes, West said.

"It would be a complete waste to spend \$345 million to build three dams on the Snake River and then stop, when by adding \$135 million, navigation can be brought inland as far as possible to bring its full economic benefits to the Snake River region," West said.

The group is testifying before the House Sub-committee on Appropriations Tuesday, April 28 at 2:30 p. m. and the Senate Sub-committee Wednesday at 8:30 a. m.

The group also has appointments with the Secretary of the Army, Chief of Army Engineers and his staff, Interstate Commerce Commission, Department of Interior, Department of Commerce and other agencies.

Making the trip are Charles Baker, President, I. E. W. A. ; Thomas E. Black, Regional County Vice President, I. E. W. A. and Manager of Benton County PUD, Kennewick, Wn. ; Sam Boddy, Jr., Manager, Chelan County Industrial Development Council, Inc., Wenatchee, Wn. ; Wilbur Elder, President, Port of Chelan County, Wenatchee, Wn. ; Baker Ferguson, Vice President, First National Bank of Oregon, Portland, Ore. ; Richard D. Ford, Executive Secretary, Washington Public Ports Association, Olympia, Wn. ; A. B. Martin, Consulting Engineer, Washington Water Power Company, Spokane, Wn. ; R. W. Gibson, Counsel, Port of Quincy, Quincy, Wn. ; Keith L. Hansen, Assistant General Manager, Commission of Public Docks, Portland, Ore. ; James F. Johnson, Commissioner, Port of Coos Bay, North Bend, Ore. ; Norman L. Krey, Manager, Pacific Northwest Operations, Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp., Spokane, Wn. ; E. V. Lorenz, President, Port of Lewiston, Idaho; Joseph R. MacLaren, Assistant to the President, Potlatch Forests, Inc., Lewiston, Ida. ; Dorsey M. Martin, Chairman, Port of Columbia County, Dayton, Wn. ; G. T. Morris, Secretary, Port of Quincy, Wn. ; D. I. Hopkins, President,

Port of Whitman County, St. John, Wn.; Oscar E. Peterson, Judge of Morrow County, Heppner, Ore.; David C. Peterson, Secretary, Port of Douglas County, Waterville, Wn.; Lew S. Russell, Sr., President, Tidewater Barge Lines, Inc., Portland, Ore.; L. W. Schorzman, Vice President, Port of Quincy, Wn.; Robert H. Short, Assistant to the President, Portland General Electric Co., Portland, Ore.; M. E. Sleeman, Vice President, Port of Garfield County, Pomeroy, Wn.; Axel E. Strom, Director of Utilization, Grant County PUD #2, Ephrata, Wn.; Herbert K. West, Executive Manager, Port of Chelan County, Wenatchee, Wn.; T. M. Stockdale, Mayor of Vantage, Wn.; John J. Winn, Jr., Special Consultant, Port of Portland, Ore.; Wilfred R. Woods, Publisher, Wenatchee Daily World, Wenatchee, Wn.; Paul Niehart, Secretary, Grant County PUD #2, Ephrata, Wn.; and Oliver Creswick, Chairman, County Rural Areas Development Committee, Heppner, Ore.

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