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Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District

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FIRST PAYMENT DUE BY DECEMBER 20 **FOR 2012 NAMPA & MERIDIAN IRRIGATION DISTRICT TAXES**

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Irrigation taxes are due December 20, for more than 37,000 Treasure Valley property owners with property inside the boundaries of the Treasure Valley's largest irrigation district, the Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District reminded area residents today. Irrigation District tax assessment notices were mailed to NMID patrons in October.

Property owners have the option of paying the assessment in full or in two parts, but at least the first half payment of the 2012 assessment must be received or postmarked by Thursday, December 20. However, taxpayers should note that if no payment is made December 20, then a 2 percent penalty and interest at an annual rate of 12 percent will be added to their 2012 tax bill.

June 20, 2013 is the second-payment deadline for residents who choose to make two payments.

Idaho law requires that tax liens be filed each year against the property if the assessments are not paid by June 20 of the following year. The District is currently moving forward with tax deed action against 61 properties in Ada and Canyon counties for which tax levies have gone unpaid for three years. Tax deed action can eventually lead to property being sold at a tax auction if the owner refuses to pay the assessments.

Property owners who owe tax assessments from previous years will find their past due tax assessment information included in this year's notice. A list of individuals owing back taxes will be available on the District's Internet web site in January.

"We also want property owners to provide us with name and address changes when they either purchase or sell land inside NMID boundaries so we can make the appropriate changes to our ownership and mail delivery records. That helps to make sure the annual tax notices go to the correct person, and helps prevent the current property owner from unknowingly falling into arrears on their NMID taxes because the tax assessment notice went to the previous owner," said Daren Coon, NMID Secretary Treasurer.

People with questions about their assessment payment or the Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District should call the District office at 466-7861. More information about the District is available at its internet web site: www.nmid.org.

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