

Talk with the Mayor

Tuesday March 10, 2015
10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
City Hall
Open Discussion

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State of the City Summary:

In his 2015 State of the City Address, Mayor Taylor described the friendly and giving residents that make Middleton the best place to live. He showcased the following highlights:

- Lowered the budget \$1,000,000
- Lowered monthly water bills
- Returned utility deposits to owner-occupied residences
- Cleaned the clogged 40-year old irrigation and drainage pipe in the east side of town
- Installed "Welcome to Middleton" signs (Eagle Scout projects by Jonah Hall and Sam Bishop)
- Installed signs in parks owned and maintained by the City
- Park benches made by Middleton High School Metal Shop Class
- Built new restrooms and upgraded playground equipment in Middleton Place Park
- Painted shelter at Middleton Place Park (Eagle Scout project by Jacob Dennis)
- Installed new playground equipment in Roadside Park
- Planted 50+ roses in Roadside Park (Eagle Scout project by Andrew Clegg)
- Painted the Civic Center (Eagle Scout project by Kevin Walker)
- Grant awards in 2014-15 will exceed \$1,500,000 for sidewalks, trails, park improvements, and road design
- Started Middleton Police Department

Backflow Inspection:

If you are using City water for irrigation, City code requires that your backflow assembly be inspected annually. Inspections need to be completed by an Idaho licensed backflow inspector and turned in at City Hall by May 30, 2015.

If you have any questions please contact James Askew at 208-631-8537.



Phosphorus and Fish

Phosphorus in Boise River water causes plants and algae to grow larger and use up oxygen so fish die or there are fewer fish. Also, there are more snags when casting a fishing line or floating the river with your hands or feet in the water.

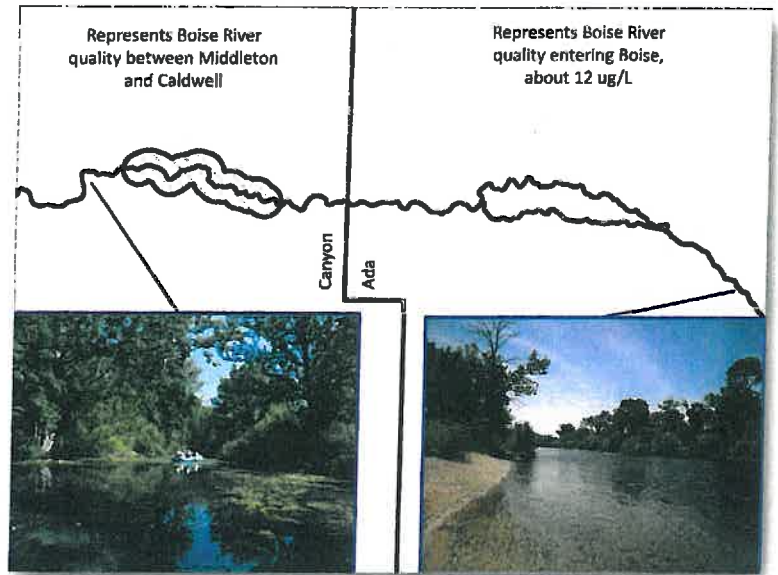
The federal Clean Water Act authorized the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to clean up rivers and lakes around the country. The EPA issued permits to Boise, Notus, Greenleaf, Kuna, and Star limiting phosphorus to 70 micrograms per liter (ug/L).

Boise can discharge five times as much (350-700 ug/L) if it removes more phosphorus from Dixie Slough near Greenleaf. EPA approved the project to achieve 70 micrograms per liter of phosphorus at the confluence of the Boise and Snake rivers.

Canyon County approved a permit to build the Dixie Drain Phosphorus-removal Project, and Middleton appealed because Boise's phosphorus floating past Middleton could: 1) cost residents more to treat phosphorus; 2) limit population growth if Boise's phosphorus discharge uses all the allowable phosphorus load in the River; and 3) degrade river water quality for residents using the River.

Boise has until the year 2022 to meet its phosphorus limits and have the Dixie Drain Project operating.

Boise offered to pay Middleton's costs caused by Boise's higher phosphorus discharge and the Dixie Project and, if Middleton is damaged by June 1, 2027, work jointly to amend EPA permits or other mutually agreed solutions that would remedy Middleton's concerns. Boise and Middleton signed a settlement agreement and Middleton withdrew its appeal.

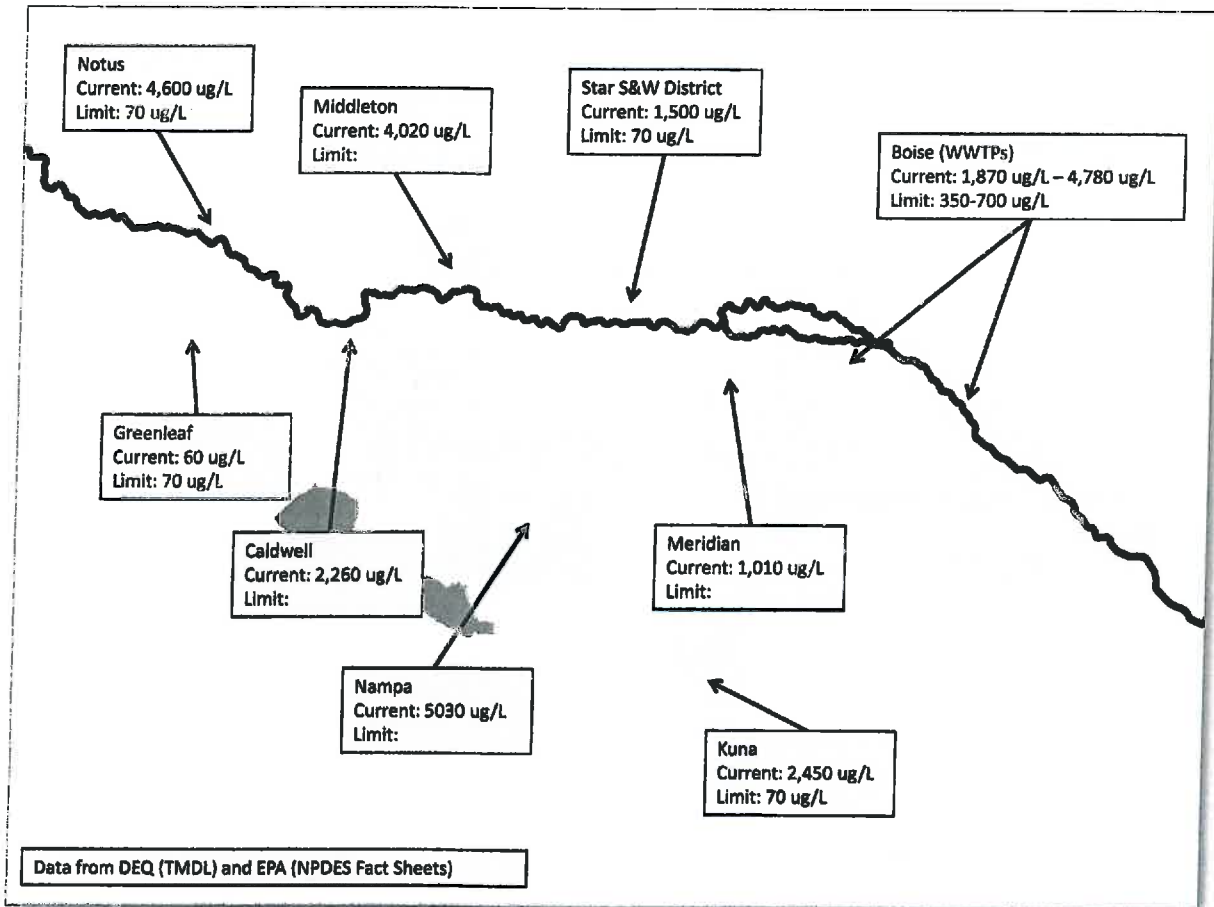


Middleton Human Users of the Boise River Now

- Fishing
- Photography
- Walking
- Swimming
- Picnicking
- Floating
- Painting
- Bird Watching
- Exploring
- Trapping
- Hunting

Middleton Boise River Access





Three Types of Damage and Injury to Middleton Because Boise will Discharge Above 70 ug/L at its plant(s)

- 1) Livability and quality of life (environmental)
- 2) Increased costs to meet wastewater treatment pollutant discharge concentration limitations
- 3) Limitations on utility expansion/extension, and population growth and development

Local Government Leadership

The City of Middleton is made up of many different governing districts. It is important to understand that different districts have different leadership, rules, regulations and taxing abilities. This information should help when you have questions. Each of these districts has open meetings that can be attended to understand issues and provide input.

City of Middleton - 585-3133

City Council meetings: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., City Hall. The City owns and manages the police department, library, city water and sewer systems, streets and drains and the following parks: Roadside Park, Centennial Grove, Middleton Place Park, Piccadilly Park.

Cemetery District - 585-9394

Cemetery Board Meetings: 2nd Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Cemetery District Office. Owns and manages the Middleton Cemetery.

Middleton School District - 585-3027

School Board Meetings: 2nd Monday at the School District Office 6:15 p.m. Owns and manages all public schools in the Middleton area.

Fire District - 585-6650

Fire Board Meetings: 2nd Monday at the Fire Station. Owns and manages Middleton Rural Fire District.

Greater Middleton Park & Rec. District - 585-3461

Park & Rec Board meetings: 1st Thursday at the park and rec. office on 310 N. Hawthorne. Owns and manages Hawthorne Park, Foote Park and Ed Payne Park.

Urban Renewal District - 585-3461

Urban Renewal Meetings: 4th Tuesday at 310 N. Hawthorne. Implements the Urban Renewal Plan.



Emergency 911
Non-Emergency Phone
208-585-0008

March Calendar

<i>City Council</i> 6:30 p.m. City Hall Public Hearing - Budget Amendment	Mar 4
<i>Planning and Zoning</i> 7:00 p.m. City Hall Public Hearing - West Highlands amended plat	Mar 23
<i>City Council</i> 6:30 p.m. City Hall	Mar 18
<i>Chili Cook-Off - Helping Hands</i> 11:00 a.m. Trolley Station	Mar 21
<i>Dodge Ball - Mayor's Youth Advisory Council</i> 6:30 p.m. Middleton Middle School	Mar 31

The Mayor's Youth Advisory Council presents:

Dutch Bros for
the winners!

Best team
uniform wins
a prize!

Sign up the family! It's a community event!

Date: March 31, 2015

Location: Middleton Middle School

Start time: 6:30 p.m.

Cost: \$10 per player - each team must have 6-8 players

Registration forms available at City Hall and On-line at www.middleton.id.gov

If you can ~~dodge a wrench~~, you can ~~dodge~~ a ball!