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## REFERENCE SERIES

### EUREKA DITCH COMPANY

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Eureka Canal Number 2 begins on the south bank of the Boise River in the southwest corner of Section 12, T4N, R4W. It extends on a general westerly course through Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, and 12 and thence across Sections 18, 19, 20, 28, 29, 33, 34, 35, and 36, T5N, R5W. The canal was constructed in 1883 with a ten-foot bottom width. The headgate measured eight feet at the top, eight feet on the bottom, and six and one-half in depth. Construction of the canal was accomplished by individuals owning property serviced by it.

Some individuals, like John and Julia Mammon and Charles Allen, had built private ditches prior to 1883. These people later became involved in the Eureka Ditch Company but retained their individual water rights.

By 1903, the canal maintained a capacity of 38.6 second feet, extended nine miles in length, with ten miles of laterals, and was irrigating over 1,500 acres. In 1906, the canal received water rights (41, 68, 69, 70, 89) of 1,993 inches.

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