

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION  
OF RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER FROM  
THE SNAKE RIVER BASIN WATER SYSTEM.

CIVIL CASE NUMBER: 39576

*Renumbered to A25-12236*

Ident. Number: ~~A25-12236A~~

Date Received: 3/02/1989

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NOTICE OF **AMENDED CLAIM** TO A WATER RIGHT  
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

1. Name: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH 208-378-5322  
Address: REGIONAL DIRECTOR, P.N. REGION  
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION  
1150 NORTH CURTIS ROAD SUITE 100  
BOISE, ID 83706-1234

2. Date of Priority: APR 19, 1922 (PATENTED)

3. Source: TRAIL CREEK Trib. to: TEX CREEK

4. Point of Diversion:

| Township | Range | Section | 1/4 of | 1/4 of | 1/4 | Lot | County     |
|----------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-----|-----|------------|
| 01N      | 41E   | 3       |        | NW     | SE  |     | BONNEVILLE |

5. Description of diverting works:  
POND - TEX CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

6. Water is used for the following purposes:

| Purpose    | From  | To    | C.F.S | (or) | A.F.A. |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|------|--------|
| STOCKWATER | 01/01 | 12/31 | 0.020 |      |        |

7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:  
0.020 C.F.S. (and/or) A.F.A.

THE QUANTITY OF WATER UNDER THIS RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED 13,000 GALLONS  
PER DAY.

8. Total consumptive use is Acre Feet Per Annum.

9. Non-irrigation uses:  
STOCK

10. Place of Use:

| Township | Range | Section | 1/4 of | 1/4 | Lot | Use   | Acres |
|----------|-------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| 01N      | 41E   | 3       | NW     | SE  |     | STOCK |       |

11. Place of use in counties: BONNEVILLE

12. Do you own the property listed above as place of use? YES

13. Other Water Rights Used:  
NONE

14. Remarks:  
TRAIL CREEK TRIBUTARY TO TEX CREEK

15. Basis of Claim: BENEFICIAL USE

16. Signature (s)

(a.) By signing below, I/We acknowledge that I/We have received, read, and understand the form entitled "How you will receive notice in the Snake River Basin Adjudication." (b.) I/We do wish to receive and pay a small annual fee for monthly copies of the docket sheet.

**For Organizations:** I do solemnly swear or affirm that I am Water Rights Spec.

Title  
of The Bureau of Reclamation, that I have signed the foregoing  
Organization

document in the space below as Water Rights Spec. of The Bureau of Reclamation  
Title Organization

and that the statements contained in the foregoing document are true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Agent Dala S. Watton

Title and Organization Water Rights Spec., Bureau of Reclamation Date 2/2/98

State of Idaho )

)

County of Cassia )

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this 2nd day of February 1998

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Notary Public Yvonne Daniel

Residing at Heyburn, Idaho

My Commission Expires 9/21/98

Please Print Name Yvonne Daniel

17. Notice of Appearance:

Notice is hereby given that I, Paul F. Holleman will be acting as attorney at law on behalf of the claimant signing above, and that all notices required by law to be mailed by the director to the claimant signing above should be mailed to me at the address listed blow.

Signature Paul F. Holleman

Address United States Dept. of Justice, ENRD/GLS

~~Date~~ 550 West Fort Street, MSC 033, Boise, Idaho 83724

Last Name Holleman Ident. Number Co. Lic # 21,888

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**NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT  
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Department of Water Resources

1. Name: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH 208-334-1165  
Address: REGIONAL DIRECTOR, P.N. REGION  
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION  
BOX 043-550 WEST FORT STREET  
BOISE, ID 83724

2. Date of Priority: JAN 01, 1918

3. Source: TRAIL CREEK Trib. to: TEX CREEK

4. Point of Diversion:

| Township | Range | Section | 1/4 of | 1/4 of | 1/4 | Lot | County     |
|----------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-----|-----|------------|
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| Purpose    | From  | To    | C.F.S. | (or) | A.F.A. |
|------------|-------|-------|--------|------|--------|
| IRRIGATION | 04/01 | 10/15 | 0.030  |      |        |
| STOCKWATER | 01/01 | 12/31 | 0.010  |      |        |
| WILDLIFE   | 01/01 | 12/31 | 0.010  |      |        |

7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:  
0.050 C.F.S. (and/or) A.F.A.

8. Total consumptive use is Acre Feet Per Annum.

9. Non-irrigation uses:  
STOCK AND WILDLIFE

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10. Place of Use:

| Township | Range | Section | 1/4 of | 1/4 | Lot           | Use    | Acres |
|----------|-------|---------|--------|-----|---------------|--------|-------|
| 01N      | 41E   | 3       | SE     | SW  |               | WILDLF |       |
|          |       |         | SW     | SE  |               | IRR    | 2.0   |
|          |       |         | SW     | SE  |               | STOCK  |       |
|          |       |         |        |     | Section Acres |        | 2.0   |
|          |       |         |        |     | Total Acres   |        | 2.0   |

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12. Do you own the property listed above as place of use? YES

13. Other Water Rights Used:  
NONE

14. Remarks:  
TRAIL CREEK TRIBUTARY TO TEX CREEK  
IRRIGATES 2 ACRES

**15. Basis of Claim: BENEFICIAL USE**



State of Idaho

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**

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**EASTERN REGION**

**DIRK KEMPTHORNE**  
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**KARL J. DREIER**  
DIRECTOR

June 15, 2001

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH  
REGIONAL DIRECTOR PN REGION CODE PN - 3100  
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION  
1150 N CURTIS RD STE 100  
BOISE ID 83706-5155

RE: NOTICE OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Dear Sir or Madam:

Per your request, I have changed the address on the adjudication numbers listed on the following page.

Water right numbers A29-02262, A29-02306, A29-02307, A29-02310, A29-02341, A29-02567, A29-02568 and A29-02571 do not have Bureau of Reclamation as the current owner. The current owner in our database is Falls Irrigation District. Therefore, these rights have not been changed.

All other water right numbers not listed above or on the following page will be processed by our other regions and mailed to you at a later date.

If you have any questions feel free to contact this office at 208-525-7161.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheri Vandermeulen  
Records Clerk  
Eastern Region

Enclosure (1)

|            |            |
|------------|------------|
| A01-00211A | A21-04155  |
| A01-00214A | A21-04156  |
| A01-00217  | A21-04157  |
| A01-00218  | A21-10560  |
| A01-00219  | A21-10601  |
| A01-00284  | A22-07022  |
| A01-02016  | A22-07062  |
| A01-02040  | A23-04073  |
| A01-02060  | A23-10062  |
| A01-02061  | A25-07004  |
| A01-02064  | A25-07135  |
| A01-02068  | A25-07201  |
| A01-04024  | A25-12222  |
| A01-04025  | A25-12223  |
| A01-04046  | A25-12224  |
| A01-04047  | A25-12225  |
| A01-04048  | A25-12226  |
| A01-04049  | A25-12227  |
| A01-04050  | A25-12228  |
| A01-04051  | A25-12229  |
| A01-04052  | A25-12231  |
| A01-04053  | A25-12234  |
| A01-04054  | A25-12236  |
| A01-04055  | A29-02380  |
| A01-04056  | A29-02614A |
| A01-04057  | A29-10045  |
| A01-04060  | A29-10046  |
| A01-10034  | A29-10047  |
| A01-10042  | A35-10358  |
| A01-10043  |            |
| A01-10044  |            |
| A01-10045  |            |
| A01-10053  |            |
| A21-00024  |            |
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| A21-00120  |            |
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| A21-00126  |            |
| A21-02156  |            |

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This form is solely for purposes of notifying IDWR of a change of address of an adjudication claim. Department of Water Resources  
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[X] Water Right Number(s): See attached list

[ ] Old Mailing Address: United States of America Acting through  
Regional Director PN Region  
Bureau of Reclamation  
Box 043-550 West Fort St.  
Boise ID 83724

[X] New Mailing Address: United States of America Acting through  
Regional Director PN Region Code PN-3100  
Bureau of Reclamation  
1150 N Curtis Rd Suite 100  
Boise ID 83706-5155

[X] Telephone Number: (208) 378-5306 Gail McGarry

[X] Signature of Claimant: Heidi S. Walton

[X] Date: 6/14/01

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Initial Review and Data-Entry

Date: By:

Further Action Needed:

Further Action Taken

Date: By:

Final Review and Data-Entry

Date: By:

Contest ID#  
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| BOR<br>Paper Claim | Use           | IDWR New<br>Computer<br>Claim | BOR<br>Paper Claim | Use        | IDWR New<br>Computer<br>Claim |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------------------------|
| A25-12223A         | Stock ✓       | A25-12223 ✓                   | A25-12228A         | Stock ✓    | A25-12228 ✓                   |
| B                  | W/L ✓         | A25-13874 ✓                   | B                  | W/L ✓      | 25-13925                      |
| C                  | Stock ✓       | A25-13875 ✓                   | C                  | Stock ✓    | 25-13926                      |
| D                  | W/L ✓         | A25-13876 ✓                   | D                  | W/L ✓      | 25-13927                      |
| E                  | Stock / W/L ✓ | A25-13877 ✓                   | E                  | Stock ✓    | 25-13928                      |
|                    |               |                               | F                  | W/L ✓      | 25-13929                      |
| A25-12224A         | Stock ✓       | A25-12224 ✓                   | A25-12229A         | Stock ✓    | A25-12229 ✓                   |
| B                  | W/L ✓         | A25-13915 ✓                   | B                  | W/L ✓      | A25-13930                     |
| A25-12225A         | Stock ✓       | A25-12225 ✓                   | A25-12231A         | Stock ✓    | A25-12231 ✓                   |
| B                  | W/L ✓         | A25-13916 ✓                   | B                  | W/L ✓      | A25-13931                     |
| C                  | Stock & W/L ✓ | A25-13917 ✓                   | C                  | Stock ✓    | A25-13932                     |
| D                  | Stock ✓       | A25-13918 ✓                   | D                  | W/L ✓      | A25-13933                     |
| E                  | W/L ✓         | A25-13919 ✓                   | E                  | Stock ✓    | 25-13934                      |
| F                  | Stock ✓       | A25-13920 ✓                   | F                  | W/L ✓      | 25-13935                      |
| G                  | W/L ✓         | A25-13921 ✓                   |                    |            |                               |
| H                  | Stock & W/L ✓ | A25-13922 ✓                   | A25-12234A         | Stock ✓    | A25-12234 ✓                   |
| A25-12226A         | Stock ✓       | A25-12226 ✓                   | B                  | W/L ✓      | A25-13936                     |
| B                  | W/L ✓         | A25-13923 ✓                   | A25-12236A         | Stock ✓    | A25-12236 ✓                   |
| A25-12227A         | Stock ✓       | A25-12227 ✓                   | B                  | W/L ✓      | A25-13937                     |
| B                  | W/L ✓         | A25-13924 ✓                   | A25-12238          | Domestic ✓ |                               |



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Eastern Region

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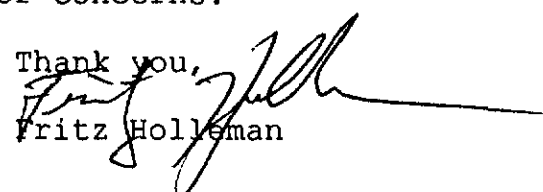
Earnest Carlson  
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Idaho Department of Water Resources  
Eastern Regional Office  
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Re: Amendments to Bureau of Reclamation claims in  
Basin 25.

Dear Mr. Carlsen,

Please find enclosed amendments that BOR would like to make to its stock and wildlife claims in the Tex Creek Wildlife Management Area. Also enclosed is the affidavit of Dala Walton, Water Rights Specialist in the Snake River Area Office of the Bureau of Reclamation. Ms. Walton's affidavit explains the reasons for the amendments and the nature of the amendments.

Please call me with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,  
  
Fritz Holleman

CC: Dala Walton  
Kathleen Carr

2. One of my assignments as Water Rights Specialist is to protect, analyze, and defend existing water rights in the Snake River Area, specifically the states of Idaho and Wyoming. The preparation of claims for filing in the Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) is included in this assignment. Claims have been completed for all Reclamation Project diversions within the SRBA but modifications and revisions are required for the Tex Creek Wildlife Management Area (Tex Creek), the area designated by the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) as Basin 25 in the SRBA.

3. In June 1989, Reclamation delivered 98 claims to the Department of Interior Field Solicitor to be filed in the SRBA. Included were the claims for Tex Creek. The basis of the Tex Creek claims is beneficial use. The quantities, place of use, and points of diversion were determined by contacting the Idaho Fish and Game, who manage the area in a cooperative agreement with Reclamation. Based on this data and other records, we provided the most accurate information we had at the time to meet the filing deadline.

4. As the adjudication evolved, Reclamation determined the Tex Creek claim elements should be reconfirmed by an expert. On September 10, 1995, Reclamation contracted with Steve Haynes, a private consultant, to review each of the Tex Creek claims for supportive evidence that reconfirmed the water rights claimed by Reclamation. Mr. Haynes was the Fish and Game area Manager for Tex Creek from 1977 to 1993. He has a historical perspective that is based on conversations with prior owners and operators. He also has an in-depth knowledge of the area based on having spent a great deal of time on the ground while conducting resource inventories and project planning and supervision. On April 25, 1997, Mr. Haynes submitted his final report to Reclamation.

5. There were eleven original claims filed for Tex Creek. Mr. Haynes had additional data regarding each claim on certain elements to accurately describe the water rights. In addition, he found three new sites (A25-12223C, A25-12223D, A25-12223E, and A25-12225H) and determined that several claims had multiple points of diversion (A25-12225, A25-12228, and A25-12231) and should be claimed separately according to filing procedures of the IDWR. None of the claims exceed the domestic and stock rate of 13,000 gallons per day and should be reported with this class of claims. The claims were not previously designated in this class, and reporting them in this class will expedite their recommendation to partial decree. Mr. Haynes investigated and provided the patent dates for stock water use. In cases where no patent was established, the date of withdrawal from Bureau of Land Management or date acquired for establishment of the refuge was used for stock water. The priority date established for wildlife is the date the point of diversion was acquired or withdrawn for establishment of Tex Creek.

6. These amended and new claims are, therefore, being submitted for incorporation and inclusion in the claims to be adjudicated in the SRBA. We believe the claims to be accurate with the information now provided and do not anticipate any further changes.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1998.

Dala S. Walton

Dala S. Walton

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1998.

Yvonne Daniel

Notary Public in and for the State  
Of Idaho, Residing at Burley.  
My Commission expires 9-21-98.



IN REPLY  
REFER TO:

PN 424

United States Department of the Interior

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Eastern District Office

Mr. Eric Verner  
Senior Water Rights Specialist  
Idaho Department of Water Resources  
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Subject: Snake River Basin Adjudication Water Right Claims, Minidoka Project,  
Idaho (Water Rights)

Dear Mr. Verner:

By two letters, each dated June 25, 1991, you requested supplemental evidence of priority for several beneficial use claims lodged in the subject case. The attached table shows some additional information about these claims, including the date of patent of the lands. Our additional comments and recommendations are as follows:

A25-12222. This claim is for a ground water well with first use in about 1987. We understand a beneficial use claim is not appropriate for ground water diversions after 1962. Therefore, this should be withdrawn from the SRBA proceedings. A water right will be obtained through the permit procedure.

A25-12223. This claim was submitted for stock and wildlife use from 4 natural springs tributary to Tex Creek. The quantity claimed is .02 cfs at 4 locations for a total of .08 cfs. The locations are shown on the attached table. Perhaps it would have been more appropriate to submit a separate claim for each location.

A25-12224. This claim was submitted for .02 cfs for stockwater and wildlife uses from a natural spring tributary to Cove creek.

A25-12225. This claim was submitted for .08 cfs for stockwater and wildlife use from 4 natural springs tributary to Indian Fork. The quantity claimed is .02 cfs at 4 locations so a total of .08 cfs was claimed. Perhaps it would have been more appropriate to submit a separate claim for each location.

A25-12226. This claim was submitted for .02 cfs for stockwater and wildlife uses from a natural spring tributary to Hayshed Creek.

A25-12227. This claim was submitted for .02 cfs for stockwater and wildlife uses from a natural spring tributary to Willow Creek.

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A25-12228. This claim was submitted for .02 cfs for irrigation and domestic uses from three springs tributary to Pipe Creek. There are three locations or points of diversion as listed on the attached table. The claim should have been for .02 cfs from each location for a total of .06 cfs. Again, perhaps separate claims should have been submitted for each location.

A25-12229. This claim was submitted for .02 cfs for stockwater and wildlife uses from a spring tributary to Spring Creek.

A25-12231. This claim was submitted for .02 cfs for stockwater and wildlife uses from two springs tributary to Dog Tooth Creek. The quantity claimed is .02 cfs at 2 locations for a total of .04 cfs. Again, perhaps separate claims should have been submitted for each spring.

A25-12234. This claim was submitted for .04 cfs for irrigation and wildlife uses from Indian Fork, a natural stream. The water is used to maintain 3 acres of ponds at the location shown on the attached table.

A25-12236. This claim was submitted for .05 cfs for irrigation, stockwater, and wildlife uses from Trail Creek, a natural stream. The water is used to maintain a two-acre pond at the location shown on the attached table.

The IDWR has advised that the existing evidence of priority is sufficient for claims not exceeding .02 cfs for domestic and stockwatering uses. All of the above claims except the last two fit into that category. The last two claims are for maintenance of ponds. A date of priority as of the date of patent of the lands is requested for each of these claims.

Please advise us of any action on our part that needs to be taken to separate the claims that were lumped together on the original filing.

Sincerely,



Regional Supervisor of  
Water, Power, and Lands

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Jack Haugrud  
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Field Solicitor, Boise ID

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| To <i>Ed Thomas</i> | From <i>Dala</i>   |
| Co. <i>RD-424</i>   | Do. <i>APD 609</i> |
| Dept.               | Phone              |
| Fax                 | Fax                |

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Springs, Tex Creek above Cove Creek - A25-12223

| Twinsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | cfs | Patent Date |
|--------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 26   | NE  | SE  | NE  | .02 | 3/20/1917   |
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 26   | SW  | NE  | SE  | .02 | 12/5/1921   |
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 26   | SW  | NE  | NW  | .02 | 11/4/1922   |
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 22   | SE  | SE  | SE  | .02 | 1/16/1922   |

Springs, Cove Creek; Tributary to Tex Creek - A25-12224

| Twinsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | cfs | Patent Date |
|--------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 22   | NE  | NE  | NW  | .02 | 3/1/1920    |

Springs; Indian Fork, Tributary to Tex Creek - A25-12225

| Twinsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | cfs | Patent Date  |
|--------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------------|
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 14   | NW  | NE  | SE  | .02 | 6/18/1920    |
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 14   | NW  | NW  | SE  | .02 | 6/18/1920    |
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 14   | NE  | NW  | SW  | .02 | Not Patented |
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 10   | SE  | SE  | SW  | .02 | 9/15/1920    |

Springs; Hayshed Creek; Tributary to Indian Ford - A25-12226

| Twinsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | cfs | Patent Date |
|--------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 4    | NW  | SE  | SE  | .02 | 4/19/1922   |

Springs; Willow Springs; Tributary to Indian Fork - A25-12227

| Twinsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | cfs | Patent Date |
|--------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 5    | SE  | NE  | SE  | .02 | 1/31/1916   |

Springs; Pipe Creek, Tributary to Tex Creek - A25-12228

| Twinsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | cfs | Patent Date |
|--------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
| 2 N    | 41 E  | 32   | SW  | SW  | SW  | .02 | 2/2/1917    |
| 2 N    | 41 E  | 31   | SE  | SE  | NE  | .02 | 8/13/1918   |
| 1 N    | 41 E  | 6    | SE  | SE  | NE  | .02 | 2/1/1917    |

Springs; Spring Creek, Tributary to Tex Creek A25-12229

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| Twmsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | cfs | Patent Date |
|-------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
| 1 N   | 41 E  | 6    | NW  | SE  | NW  | .02 | 10/15/1918  |

Springs; Dog Tooth, Tributary to Blue Creek, Trib to Mdw Creek-  
A25-12231

| Twmsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | cfs | Patent Date |
|-------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
| 2 N   | 41 E  | 30   | SE  | SW  | SW  | .02 | 2/25/1917   |
| 2 N   | 41 E  | 30   | SE  | SW  | SE  | .02 | 2/25/1917   |

Ponds - Indian Fork Tributary to Tex Creek - A25-12234

| Twmsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | Size | Patent Date |
|-------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|-------------|
| 1 N   | 41 E  | 11   | SW  | SE  |     | 3 AC | 9/30/1920   |

Pond, Trail Creek, Tributary to Tex Creek - A25-12236

| Twmsp | Range | Sec. | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 | Size | Patent Date |
|-------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|-------------|
| 1 N   | 41 E  | 3    | SW  | SE  |     | 2 AC | 4/19/1922   |

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June 25, 1991

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RE: Evidence of Priority

Dear Regional Director:

The Notices of Claim identified with the numbers shown at the end of this letter has been filed in the Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA). The Notices indicate the water usage is based on "Beneficial Use" or a "Statutory Claim". Water rights of this type are established by the historical use of water, dating back to when water was first used for the purpose claimed, at or on the place of use identified on the Notice. The date the water was first put to use, known as the priority date, has not been confirmed by a License, Decree, or Permit. For this reason, proof must be provided supporting the priority date.

For your reference I have provided a printout of your Notices and the pamphlet entitled "Evidence of Priority". The pamphlet describes the types of evidence required and suggests which documents will fulfill this requirement. While I encourage you to read all of the pamphlet, I direct your attention to the two sections entitled "What Kind of Evidence is Required" and "Some Examples of Documents Which May Be Evidence of the Priority Date".

It is our goal to recommend this historical water rights within the Snake River Basin as accurately as possible. Field exams to verify other items of the Notices have been or soon will be conducted by Department personnel. But, the Department will not recommend the Notices be decreed by the court if no evidence of a priority date is submitted.

Please submit the required evidence supporting the priority date by July 25, 1991, referencing all documents with the corresponding Notice number. If you have any questions not covered by this letter or the enclosed pamphlet, please contact this office.

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All Notices required to submit this evidence are currently being reviewed for recommendation to the court. Hence, the need for expediency on your part or your agency. Every effort should be made to submit this information within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Senior Water Agent

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Enclosure: Brochure on "Evidence of Priority"  
Proof Report

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