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

In Re SRBA

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) Subcase 82-10729

Case No. 39576

) (USDI/BLM)

)

) SPECIAL MASTER REPORT

Findings of Fact

The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources filed his *Director's Report for Domestic and Stockwater, Reporting Area 22 (IDWR Basin 82)* on March 19, 1999. The Director recommended 82-10729 to the United States of America, Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Idaho State Office, 1387 S. Vinnell Way, Boise, Idaho, 83709-1657, for .02 cfs from a spring for year-'round stockwater use in Idaho County with a priority date of January 1, 1861, based on beneficial use. The Director also noted: "This water right is also claimed based on federal law with an April 17, 1926, date of priority pursuant to an Executive Order signed the same date and known as Public Water Reserve 107."

On June 2, 1999, the State of Idaho filed an *Objection* in multiple subcases, including subcase 82-10729, objecting to priority date ("If this water right exists, the State Law based portion of this right should have a priority date no earlier than June 28, 1934.") and alleging that the water right should not exist. On September 17, 1999, the United States filed an *Objection* to source and point of diversion.

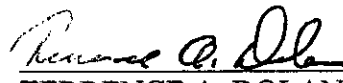
On August 29, 2002, the United States and certain private parties filed a *Stipulation* in multiple subcases, including 82-10729 and an *Order Granting Withdrawal* was entered on September 5, 2002. On June 10, 2003, the United States filed a *Notice Regarding Priority Date* stating the priority date for the federal reserve basis of the water right claim should be April 17, 1926. On June 11, 2003, an *Order Dismissing State of Idaho Objections* was entered based on the parties' *Stipulation to Resolve Objections*. However, on August 14, 2003, the United States,

with IDWR concurrence, filed an *Amended Claim Standard Form 5* agreeing to a June 28, 1934 priority date.

Conclusions of Law

The United States of America is entitled to a partial decree adjudicating a water right as described in the *Amended Claim SF-5* and the attached *Special Master Recommendation for Partial Decree for Water Right 82-10729*.

DATED November 17, 2003.



TERRENCE A. DOLAN
Special Master
Snake River Basin Adjudication

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Case No. 39576)
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PARTIAL DECREE PURSUANT TO
I.R.C.P. 54(b) FOR

Water Right 82-10729

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NAME AND ADDRESS: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
USDI BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
IDAHO STATE OFFICE
1387 S VINNELL WAY
BOISE, ID 83709-1657

SOURCE: SPRING TRIBUTARY: BUFFALO GULCH

QUANTITY: 0.02 CFS

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

PRIORITY DATE: 06/28/1934

POINT OF DIVERSION: T29N R08E S28 NENESE Within Idaho County

PURPOSE AND PERIOD OF USE:	PURPOSE OF USE	PERIOD OF USE	QUANTITY
	Stockwater	01-01 TO 12-31	0.02 CFS

PLACE OF USE: Stockwater Within Idaho County
T29N R08E S28 NESE

OTHER PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR DEFINITION OR ADMINISTRATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT:

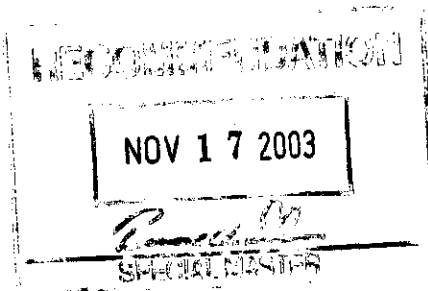
THE QUANTITY OF WATER DECREED FOR THIS WATER RIGHT IS NOT A
DETERMINATION OF HISTORICAL BENEFICIAL USE.

THIS PARTIAL DECREE IS SUBJECT TO SUCH GENERAL PROVISIONS
NECESSARY FOR THE DEFINITION OF THE RIGHTS OR FOR THE EFFICIENT
ADMINISTRATION OF THE WATER RIGHTS AS MAY BE ULTIMATELY
DETERMINED BY THE COURT AT A POINT IN TIME NO LATER THAN THE
ENTRY OF A FINAL UNIFIED DECREE. I.C. SECTION 42-1412(6).

RULE 54(b) CERTIFICATE

With respect to the issues determined by the above judgment or order, it is hereby CERTIFIED, in accordance with Rule 54(b), I.R.C.P., that the court has determined that there is no just reason for delay of the entry of a final judgment and that the court has and does hereby direct that the above judgment or order shall be a final judgment upon which execution may issue and an appeal may be taken as provided by the Idaho Appellate Rules.

Presiding Judge of the
Snake River Basin Adjudication



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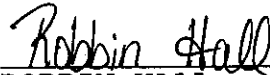
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I certify that a true and correct copy of the SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT, SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR PARTIAL DECREE and NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION were mailed on November 17, 2003, with sufficient first-class postage prepaid to the following:

DIRECTOR OF IDWR
PO BOX 83720
BOISE, ID 83720-0098

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
USDI BLM

Represented by:
US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
ENVIRONMENT & NATL' RESOURCES
550 WEST FORT STREET, MSC 033
BOISE, ID 83724


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Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF
SPECIAL MASTER'S
RECOMMENDATION

Water Right(s): 82-10729

On November 17, 2003, Special Master TERRENCE A. DOLAN issued a SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION for the above subcase(s) pursuant to SRBA Administrative Order 1 (AO1), Section 13a.

Pursuant to SRBA Administrative Order 1, Section 13a, any party to the adjudication including parties to the subcase, may file a Motion to Alter or Amend on or before the 28th day of the next month.

Failure of any party in the adjudication to pursue or participate in a Motion to Alter or Amend the SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION shall constitute a waiver of the right to challenge it before the Presiding Judge.

DATED November 17, 2003.



ROBBIN HALL
Deputy Clerk