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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

AUG 18 2004

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

CIVIL CASE NUMBER: ~~WATER~~ DEPARTMENT OF
RESOURCES

Ident. Number 37-4059
Date Received: 8/23/1988
Receipt No: S001665
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**NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW**

1. Name of Claimant(s)

DONALD T BRAY Phone: (208)352-4274
DBA LYE LAKE RANCH
PO BOX 156
BLISS ID USA 83314

2. Date of Priority: 05/01/1970

3. Source: SPRINGS Trib. to: SINKS

4. Point of Diversion:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of 1/4 of 1/4 Lot	County	Type
04S	13E	27	SW SE NW	GOODING	

5. Description of diverting works:

SPRING FLOWS INTO GRAVITY DITCH.

6. Water is used for the following purposes:

Purpose	From	To	C.F.S.	(or) A.F.A
IRRIGATION	4/01	11/01	1	
STOCKWATER	1/01	12/31	0.08	

7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:
1 C.F.S.

8. Total consumptive use:

9. Non-irrigation uses:

10. Place of use:

Township	Range	Section	1/4	of 1/4	Lot	Use	Acres
04S	13E	27	NW	NW		IRRIGATION	19
			NW	NW		STOCKWATER	
			SW	NW		STOCKWATER	
						Section Acres	19
04S	13E	28	NW	NE		STOCKWATER	
			NE	NE		IRRIGATION	14
			NW	NE		IRRIGATION	3
			SW	NE		IRRIGATION	27
			SE	NE		IRRIGATION	21
						Section Acres	65
						Total Acres	84

11. Place of use in counties: GOODING

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

13. Other Water Rights Used:

14. Remarks:

15. Basis of Claim: Statutory Claim

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Carter Fritschle, Water Rights Supervisor
Idaho Department of Water Resources:
P.O. 83720
Boise, ID 83720

This letter is in response to your letter to me on 23 July 04 relating to information regarding the about reference Identification Number.

This water source relates to springs that developed rather suddenly in the 1940's or 1950's. There was always a few wet or damp spots at this location throughout the summer but no running water before this time.

In the above time frame the new owners of the Bray Lake Ranch (about 2 Miles south) increased the dam height of the Bray Lake reservoir (about 1 mi SE) several feet (maybe 20?) to increase the storage capacity of the reservoir from 1000 acre feet to about 5000 acre feet. Apparently were sump holes in the increase land area that was covered by the increase storage volume. In a short period of time (2Yrs?) the above springs suddenly showed up and ran all the time.

The spring was collected via an open ditch, then used on our lower elevation fields through gravity flooding during the spring and summer.

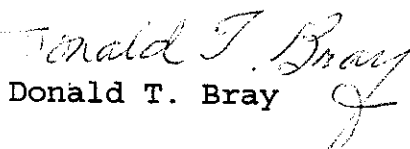
At one point we seriously considered installing a water line to the ranch house as we did not have a supply of good cold water. We did not complete the project. We would probably complete that project now if the water had continued to run.

After flowing fairly steadily for a few years the owners of the Bray Lake Ranch finely found the main sump holes that were supplying the springs and the flows gradually decreased to their present level.

It is my guess that the springs will never come back with any substantial amount of flowing water-maybe enough for watering troughs for stocks or birds. But again we have had several years of severe drought which may have had an effect of the amount of flow.

I hope this information will be of use.

Sincerely


Donald T. Bray

STATE OF NEVADA

County of CARSON CITY

} ss.

On August 16, 2004

, before me, Cliffie DeCasper

(Name of Notary/Title)

personally appeared DONALD L. BRAX

, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies) and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Cliffie DeCasper
(Signature)

(Seal)