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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

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| In Re SRBA     | ) | SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT AND |
|                | ) | RECOMMENDATION; FINDINGS OF |
| Case No. 39576 | ) | FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW |
|                | ) |                             |
|                | ) | FOR WATER RIGHTS: 32-04029  |

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I. FINDINGS OF FACT

A notice of claim was filed for this water right pursuant to I.C. § 42-1409. The Director of the State of Idaho Department of Water Resources examined the water system for this reporting area. The *Director's Report* contained a recommendation for the elements of this water right.

An *Objection* was filed on December 17, 1999 by the USDA Forest Service. An *Amended Director's Report* was filed on October 25, 2000. *Objections* to the *Amended Director's Report* were filed on November 24, 2000 by Pickett Ranch & Sheep Co., Scott Bedke, Karl Bedke, Bruce Bedke, Jared Bedke, Joe Tugaw, Gary Poulton, Michael Poulton, Flying Triangle Inc., Willis D. & Betty De Veny, Luther Gardner, Jerry Hoagland, Joyce Livestock Company, Western Stockgrowers Association, Eugene Mathews, Shoulders 3 Ranches, Inc., A L Cattle Inc., Faulkner Land & Livestock, Crater Butte Cattle Association, Todd Bowen, Weldon Branch, Ron Lawrence, Richfield Cattle Association and James L. Eckhardt. (hereafter "Second Objectors")

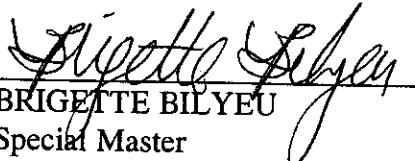
The Second Objectors Filed a *Notice of Withdrawal of Objections and Responses* on August 29, 2002. There are no remaining objections to the *Amended Director's Report*. At hearing on October 9, 2002 the USDA Forest Service agreed that a *Master's Report and Recommendation* should issue.

## II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The United States claimed this right under state law. There is no assertion that this right is based on a federal reservation. The United States claimed the priority date as May 1, 1884. That priority claim was investigated by IDWR and recommended in the *Amended Director's Report*.

Based on the file and record herein, IT IS RECOMMENDED that this water right be decreed with the elements set forth in the attached *Special Master's Recommendation for Partial Decree*.

DATED: October 11, 2002.

  
BRIGETTE BILYEU  
Special Master  
Snake River Basin Adjudication

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PARTIAL DECREE PURSUANT TO  
I.R.C.P. 54(b) FOR

Water Right 32-04029

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NAME AND ADDRESS: USDA FOREST SERVICE  
550 W FORT ST, MSC 033  
BOISE, ID 83724

SOURCE: HORSE CREEK SPRING TRIBUTARY: SINKS

QUANTITY: 0.02 CFS

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

PRIORITY DATE: 05/01/1884

POINT OF DIVERSION: T13N R32E S30 NWNEW Within Clark County

| PURPOSE AND<br>PERIOD OF USE: | PURPOSE OF USE | PERIOD OF USE  | QUANTITY |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------|
|                               | Stockwater     | 06-01 TO 10-31 | 0.02 CFS |

PLACE OF USE: Stockwater Within Clark County  
T13N R32E S30 NENW

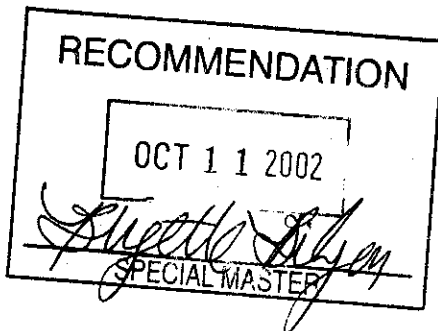
OTHER PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR DEFINITION OR ADMINISTRATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT:

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.



Roger Burdick  
Presiding Judge of the  
Snake River Basin Adjudication

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NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF  
SPECIAL MASTER'S  
RECOMMENDATION

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On October 11, 2002, Special Master BRIGETTE BILYEU 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 October 11, 2002.

  
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JANET CONNELL  
Deputy Clerk

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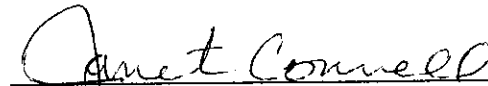
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I certify that a true and correct copy of the SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT, SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR PARTIAL DECREE and NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION were mailed on October 11, 2002, with sufficient first-class postage prepaid to the following:

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

USDA FOREST SERVICE

Represented by:  
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ENVIRONMENT & NATL' RESOURCES  
550 WEST FORT STREET, MSC 033  
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