

Idaho Department Of Water Resources
Adjudication Bureau
Boise, Idaho 83720-9000

November 28, 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

I Tessie Lombard have lived in Idaho most of my life. I will be ninety-seven years old on Dec 12, 2003. When I married Ernest A. Lombard in 1939 I was introduced to the Grays Lake Valley. I have lived there during the summer since that time. Over the years my husband and I acquired a number of properties at the north end of Grays Lake. Namely the original Herman Wakeman Ranch, the Moses Wakeman Ranch and the John Madsen Ranch.

The one thing that I noted (saw) on my first visit to the valley in 1939 was how green it was and the irrigation-taking place on each of the above-mentioned properties.

I told my husband if we ever get a chance during our lifetime we should buy each of these ranches. We did just that buying from the original homesteaders heirs. I have had a good life mostly because of my love for Gray's Lake and the ranches around it. My property there is now in the hands of my children.

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Witnessed by Roscoe E. Patton
11-28-03

ROSCOE E. PATTON Notary Public State of Idaho

*My Commission expires
JULY 18, 2006*

Idaho Falls, Idaho
January 10th, 2004

Mr. Ernest J. Lombard
Eagle, Idaho 83616

Dear Mr. Lombard

In answer to your request for information on irrigation water use on the property you own at Grays Lake, see information below.

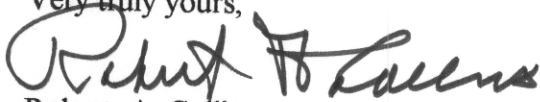
The Collins Livestock Company operated the ranch you own located at Herman, Idaho from 1913 to 1934, the original Homestead of Herman Wakeman, referred to locally as the 'Stillman Ranch'. During this time I saw my father irrigate the property with water from Herman creek.

I leased the above described property in 1951 and did the irrigation myself..

In 1952, my Brother and I leased a part of the original Mose Wakeman ranch owned by Ernest Lombard and John Handia and at that time I saw Handia irrigating the meadow land with water from a ditch leading to a stream diversion in Herman canyon.

During the crop year of 1951 Robert and Charles Collins harvested the hay crop on the John Madsen ranch in partnership with Joe Johnson and Dortha Madsen Johnson (widow of John Madsen). I saw Johnson irrigating the hay meadows using water from ditches.

Very truly yours,



Robert A. Collins
2680 Homestead Lane
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83404

Jennifer Crabtree
notary public

9/23/09

