

**Field Exam Summary - City of Rigby Municipal Wells
Claims A25-04009, A25-04010, A25-04011, A25-10496**

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(Only page 1 is included with paper files A25-04010 through A25-10496; the complete summary is included in paper file A25-04009.)

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General Comments

The City of Rigby has four beneficial-use claims for municipal use from wells, and this summary report refers to all four claims. Claims A25-07051, A25-07288 and A25-10688 have separate summary reports in their own files. Except as noted all copies, data, and correspondence are included in paper file A25-04009.

Paper file A25-04009 includes the full site data copied from IDWR Water Measurement Program files, as well as excerpts from a 1995 engineering study by Forsgren Perkins Associates. The engineering study copies were provided by the city.

On 3 March 2004 I met with the Public Works Director Doug Nelson and the City Attorney Steve Clark. I was unsure how the legal principle of water rights for the future needs of "Growing Cities" applies to beneficial use rights, so I have described the history of development of water use and capacity without making specific proposals for water right elements. Currently I have limited data for historical use and capacity but Public Works Director Nelson is looking for more information, which may aid in making a recommendation. Attorney Clark is anticipating that the water-rights review will include consideration of the "growing cities" legal principle.

Ownership

City of Rigby.

POD

The attached engineering report documents four original wells under an "old" naming system. These include a well in the basement of the City Hall, a well just west of the City Hall, a well on the north end of town near the Harwood School, and a well on the south side of town near the armory. The first three of these wells appear to be the wells described in the various affidavits supporting the priority dates. Doug Nelson referred to another well since abandoned. This fifth well may have been connected to the city water system at one time, but not