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RE: Claim No. 77-10008
Allison Ranch Ministries Foundation, Inc.
Field Examination and Evidence of Priority Date
EBKTM&J File No. 81490-8

Dear Mr. Fritschle:

This office represents Allison Ranch Ministries Foundation, Inc., formerly known as Allison Ranch, Inc., regarding the above-referenced Notice of Claim to a water right. We are in receipt of your letter dated June 6, 2005, addressed to Allison Ranch referencing the Department's field examination of the claim during the summer of 2005, and containing your request to submit evidence of the priority date and beneficial use set forth in the above-referenced claim.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Affidavit of Frances Zauhammer Wisner dated July 9, 1975. I believe that the Department may already have the original of this Affidavit in its possession as the Affidavit was originally submitted in support of claim

number 77-4023 made by Harold E. and Phyllis S. Thomas, principals of Allison Ranch Ministries Foundation, Inc. According to Ms. Wisner's Affidavit, she puts the priority date for beneficial use of the water from Myers creek for irrigation, domestic purposes and stock water somewhere between 1890 and 1910.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you wish to discuss this claim further, the enclosed Affidavit, or require any further information in support of the above-referenced claim. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Cordially,



Peter W. Ware, Jr.

PWW/ak
Enclosure.

cc (w/encl.): Harold Thomas

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ALLISON RANCH* from the records of Frances Zaunmiller Wisner-- as told to her by Lee Hida and Vern Wisner.

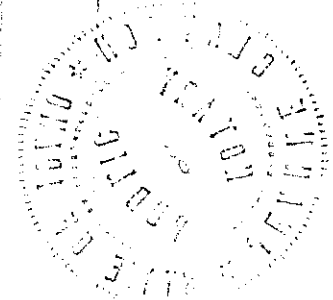
Joe Myers was killed on Churchill trail (Dixie to present Whitewater ranch) and buried in cemetery at Dixie. (you can check date from tombstone in Dixie grave yard).

Lee Hida caretaker for estate after Myers death. Told me of that, and he was there in 1918. So, to have built up the place, gotten the homestead patent and died in time for Lee Hida to be there in 1918-- Joe had to have moved there early in the century-- about 1900 to 1910. I would think closer to 1900. It takes so long to hand build in this Canyon, whether it is a meadow for stock feed, garden spot or dwelling and barn. And those old timers worked alone. Used time as modern man uses money. If the record of date of homestead issue is known, then give water use AT LEAST ten (10) years earlier than homestead date.

Allison bought from Myers estate. Continued the water use. Nor has it been discontinued, since Myers began that use.

Myers creek water was (still is) used for irrigation on meadow, orchard and garden; for domestic stock and for the household use at Allison ranch on Salmon River.

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