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SPRINGFIELD-STERLING CEMETERY I  
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2173 W. 1100 S.  
STERLING ID 83210

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Your water right number A35-11066 has been modified to reflect the address on the front of this card.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Autumn Jones". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Autumn Jones  
Records Clerk  
Idaho Dept. of Water Resources  
Adjudication Bureau

November 20, 1998

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NOTICE OF ERROR  
REPLY

Department of Water Resources

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Return this reply form to IDWR by the deadline date printed below if you want IDWR to change your recommendation or you want to let IDWR know that you agree with its recommendation.

**YOUR DEADLINE FOR RETURNING A NOTICE OF ERROR REPLY IS:** December 18, 1998

Water right number: 35-11066

SPRINGFIELD STERLING CEMETERY DIST  
~~C/O KAREN I MC CULLOCH~~ c/o Linda Bohrer  
~~2222 W 1100 S~~ Box 82  
~~STERLING ID 83210~~ Springfield, Id. 83217  
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Daytime Telephone Number:

Evening Telephone Number:

1. Describe the portion of the proposed recommendation with which you disagree (e.g. priority date, period of use, source):

2. Describe the changes you wish to make in the proposed recommendation:

3. Give a brief explanation as to why you disagree with these portions:

☒ I AGREE with this proposed recommendation; no changes need to be made.

DATE: 12/2/98

SIGNATURE: W. A. Bohrer

Please print your name:

Herbert A. Bohrer Cemetery Dist. Chairman

IDWR Eastern Regional Office, 900 N. Skyline Drive, Suite A, Idaho Falls, ID 83402-1718, (208) 525-7161

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7/11/91

EVIDENCE OF PRIORITY A35-11066  
SPRINGFIELD-STERLING CEMETERY

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ENCLOSED ARE FORMS WHICH I HOPE WILL PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF PRIORITY. I HAVE SENT HISTORY OF SPRINGFIELD-STERLING CEMETERY + COPY OF CEMETERY DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES.

THERE IS ALSO A CHANGE OF ADDRESS NEEDED. MELBA JOLLEY HAS RETIRED FROM SECRETARY POSITION. THOMAS HAULICAK IS CHAIRMAN. KAREN I. McCULLOCH IS SECRETARY.

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STATE OF IDAHO )  
 ) ss.  
County of Bingham)

Tom Haulicak CHAIRMAN  
Karen I. McCulloch SECRETARY

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 1991, before me Pam A Muirbrook, Notary Public, in and for the State of Idaho, personally appeared Thomas W Haulicak, known or identified to me, to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

(SEAL)

Pam A Muirbrook  
Notary Public, State of Idaho  
Residing at Aberdeen, Idaho  
Commission Expires: 2/12/96

STATE OF IDAHO )  
 ) ss.  
County of Bingham)

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1991, before me Pam A Muirbrook, Notary Public, in and for the State of Idaho, personally appeared Karen I. McCulloch, known or identified to me, to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

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## SPRINGFIELD STERLING CEMETERY DISTRICT.

Meeting Dec. 10, 1953

The meeting was held at the Ruff residence with the three commissioners present. The chairman, Mr. Judge, opened the meeting and the minutes of the last meeting were read and discussed.

Mrs. Ruff gave a report on the election held at the Springfield school house Dec. 7 for the purpose of electing one commissioner in District 3. Results were as follows:

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| Mr. Marvin Parsons | ----  | 7 votes  |
| Mr. Jake Martin    | ----- | 3 votes. |

Mr. Frank Herbert, Mrs. Clemmie Maxwell, and Mrs. Julia Ruff acted as judges and clerk.

Mr. Parsons was elected for a term of 4 years.

The motion was made by Mr. Marvin Parsons and seconded by Mr. Vernal Corbridge that Mr. Judge continue as chairman.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Ruff reported a balance of \$485.32 in the bank.

A letter from the U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation was read and Mr. Judge reported he had been to the Court House in Blackfoot and had been assured that the tract of land was removed from the 1954 tax rolls of the cemetery district. This is property which the Bureau has purchased and which has become part of the reservoir. Mrs. Ruff signed the prepared form and returned it to the Bureau.

A discussion on the new well followed : The well is 95 feet deep, 37 feet to water, has 48 feet of casing. It cost a total of \$721.54.

Two nurseries were reported to be working on landscaping plans at the present time.

Meeting adjourned.

*Mrs. Julia Ruff*  
Sect.

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## HISTORY OF THE SPRINGFIELD-STERLING CEMETERY

A cemetery association was organized at a meeting February 26, 1914, in response to a posted notice. It was passed by those present that the Springfield Cemetery Association be made permanent. Lasander Shelman was elected President and A.J. Snyder, Secretary. Henry Berg, O.F. Rice, and Hugh Wells were appointed to work with the president and secretary. These five members would make up the Board of Trustees. Committee members at a meeting held March 11, 1914, voted to pay Hugh Wells \$50.00 for one acre of land for the cemetery, plus the cost of surveying, plotting, and recording. Lots 10x20 were to sell at \$5.00 each.

Local residents meet at the cemetery April 10, 1917, with teams of horses, fresnoes (dirt mover), tools and fencing material. They fenced the area, leveled the ground, and planted grass seed. Residents who worked were: Lasander Shelman, W.A. Edwards, Arthur Snyder, Oscar Sommercorn, George A. Line, Henry K. Wiley, Hugh Wells, H.N. Wells, Mr. Thompson, Wm. P. Judge, Henry Berg, Don Shelman, Henry Chandler, Mr. Christiansen, Armous Shelman, and Edgar Shelman.

The Springfield Cemetery Association on July 8, 1922, turned over their papers to the Domestic Science Club. This new association under the same name was to maintain, improve, and beautify the grounds. New officers were: President, Mrs. Bruce Parmalee; Secretary, Mrs. H.V. Chandler; Treasurer, Mrs. W.A. Edwards; Board, Mrs. A.J. Snyder, Mrs. W.R. Leach, and Mrs. Henry Berg. Mrs. Leach contributed \$5.00 for trees, and Mr. C.F. Sommercorn made grave markings. Mrs. J.M. Shelman was elected Secretary in September, 1936. She resigned December, 1939, and Mrs. Raymond Ruff (Julia), was elected in her place. Mrs. Ruff continued as secretary and treasurer until 1981, making 42 years of service. Committee members were: Mrs. A.J. Snyder, Mrs. Dewey Blackburn, and Mrs. Henry Berg. At this time, \$50.00 was paid for work on the cemetery for the season, which consisted of flood irrigation, mowing, and general maintenance. The club maintained the cemetery by donating 50% of all profit made from money-making projects.

A blanket permit was given in 1938 by Dr. M.C. McKinnon, of Aberdeen, to move all graves from the Yuma Cemetery to the Springfield Cemetery. The American Falls reservoir water was washing away its banks, and graves from the Yuma Cemetery near Sterling were exposed. Movement was in April, 1941.

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The Domestic Science Club voted on December 5, 1945, to purchase one acre of land to enlarge the cemetery, and help the cemetery district. \$225 was paid to Hugh Wells.

Mrs. Louise Shelman and Mrs. Julia Ruff, in the spring of 1946, carried a petition creating the cemetery into a district, and putting it on the tax roll. An election was held on March 7, 1946; 124 votes were counted in favor.

The Governor of Idaho in 1946 appointed these people to the newly created cemetery district: Mr. Joe Maxwell, Mr. Frank Herbert, Mr. Verl Bradley, and Mrs. Julia Ruff was appointed Secretary & Treasurer by this committee. The new name for the cemetery is, Springfield-Sterling Cemetery District. The new district bought one acre, making the present three-acre cemetery on Highway 39.

A pump and sprinkler system was installed in 1949, plus a small building for use of the pump and implements. A new well was dug in 1953-95 ft. deep, 37 ft. to water, 48 ft. casing, and cost \$721.54.

The Briggs Nursery of Pocatello in 1954 was hired to landscape the cemetery grounds. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Neeley of Aberdeen donated 17 Norway Evergreens and 2 Blue Spruce trees. These trees were planted by local people.

A flag pole and base were constructed in 1962 by Mr. Merlin Parsons. The base is 16 ft. sq. with a 12 ft. circular step erected on the base. The flag pole is 30 ft. high. A flag was donated by the Aberdeen American Legion. A plaque was placed on the side of the base by the Domestic Science Club stating: "Community Improvement Project Sponsored by Springfield Domestic Science Club, 1962."

Mrs. Melva Jolley is the present Secretary and Treasurer. Present members are: Lenard Jolley, Chairman-George Jackson and John Daughtry.

Written by Julia Ruff

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SPRINGFIELD-STERLING CEMETERY  
2173 W 1100 S  
STERLING, ID 83210

RE: **Evidence of Priority** A35-11066

Dear Claimant:

The Notice of Claim identified with the numbers shown at the end of this letter has been filed in the Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA). The Notice indicates the water usage is based on "Beneficial Use" or a "Statutory Claim". Water rights of this type are established by the historical use of water, dating back to when water was first used for the purpose claimed, at or on the place of use identified on the Notice. The date the water was first put to use, known as the priority date, has not been confirmed by a License, Decree, or Permit. For this reason, proof must be provided supporting the priority date.

For your reference I have provided a printout of your Notice and the pamphlet entitled **"Evidence of Priority"**. The pamphlet describes the types of evidence required and suggests which documents will fulfill this requirement. While I encourage you to read all of the pamphlet, I direct your attention to the two sections entitled **"What Kind of Evidence is Required"** and **"Some Examples of Documents Which May Be Evidence of the Priority Date"**.

It is our goal to recommend this historical water rights within the Snake River Basin as accurately as possible. Field exams to verify other items of the Notice have been or soon will be conducted by Department personnel. **But, the Department will not recommend the Notice be decreed by the court if no evidence of a priority date is submitted.**

Please submit the required evidence supporting the priority date by JULY 29, 1991, referencing all documents with the corresponding Notice number. If you have any questions not covered by this letter or the enclosed pamphlet, please contact this office.

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All Notices required to submit this evidence are currently being reviewed for recommendation to the court. Hence, the need for expediency on your part or your agency. Every effort should be made to submit this information within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Verner  
Senior Water Agent

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Enclosure: Brochure on "Evidence of Priority"  
Proof Report

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