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To whom it may concern:

The farm owned by, Brett Casperson located at 8893 E. Maughan RD. Lava Hot Springs, ID. 83246, has historically been operated as a farm and dairy since it was homesteaded by the Maughan brothers. Nathan Maughan Casperson, (Brett's father and a younger cousin to the Maughan Brothers) recalls thinning beets in the fields here while a teenager. That would have been in the late 1920's.

Water was used early in the spring and into the late fall. Prior to April 15th and past September 15th, or for as long as the weather permitted. *Brett M. Casperson*

This is to certify that I can recall the Maughans using water early in the irrigating seasons from the ditch now known as the West Dempsey Canal in the mid. 1940's and then Nathan Casperson doing likewise in the mid to late 1960's until the ditch was abandoned.

*Signed
Gene Yagnant
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