

Field Notes

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- Pictures 1 and 2 show East Point of diversion
- Property bought July 1982
- Ground water used for lawn and field East of the house.
- Add stockwater use to N. Side of Road. Has horses over on that side. Graze the land, but I don't think he actually diverts the water over specifically for stock water use.
- Add north side of road as irrigated place of use. Old ditch on North side shows historical irrigation of land. Since Tom bought the property in 1982, he has irrigated the north side of the road from time to time for fire protection and keeping the trees alive. He runs hoses under a culvert, or late at night just runs the hose across the road. Pictures 3, 4, 5 show Tom has made an effort to irrigate land and keep weed free for fire protection.
- Picture 7 shows second or West point of diversion.

Notes: Tom hasn't been able to divert out of the stream due to low water and silting of the stream channel. He had someone from the department out to look at the stream a couple years ago (didn't remember the name, but thinks it could have been Greg Taylor) to see if Tom could back-hoe the silt from the stream. IDWR representative said he couldn't. Asked what he could do. I told him that he could do what he needs to do to maintain his diversion, but if he planned on making major changes to the stream around his points of diversion, he should contact stream channel personnel to be safe.

The issue of priority evidence was brought to Tom's attention for the second time. He said he will get right on it and send me the evidence when he gathers the data.