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RE: Water Right Research Results

Dear Elmer,

Enclosed is the summarized version of the results of my search for all the rights you filed on. My search criteria was just to search for any right in Basin 29, under the name of Stanger. Thus, some of these rights might belong to other family or non-relations that just happen to have the same last name.

If there is a couple in particular that you are interested in seeing the details on, you should be able to enter the water right number directly into the web-site and get a print out of the water right. Or you can always give me a call to come on into the office, or have me send you a copy.

I decided not to send you a copy of all of these on the list because I wasn't sure which ones in particular you might be interested in.

Just a couple hints reading the chart:

1: Basis

Any right that has the status of "TEMPORARY" are the claims you signed today. They will soon say "ACTIVE".

Rights highlighted in pink with the status of "DECREED" have already been to the Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) court and are finalized. They are no longer "Claims" but perfected water rights.

Two of the water rights on the list have a status of "LAPSED". I am afraid that there is not a way to reinstate these permits. Enclosed is a copy of the notices of the lapsed status.

2: Source list

Anything that says GROUND WATER, means it is a well.

UNNAMED STREAM means that the name is not on the USGS quad. It might be locally known by another name, but we have to data enter it as UNNAMED STREAM.

SPRINGS means the water is directly diverted from the springs. So if you have a claim that is diverted from springs that supply Indian Creek, the source would be listed as Springs instead of Indian Creek. But, if you take water directly from Indian Creek, the source should read Indian Creek.

Conclusion:

As you can see, I didn't find any claims for water use from Indian, Smith, or Walker Creek. If I am missing some of your filings, there are a couple reasons I might not have found them.

- 1) Refer back to item #2 of this list to make sure that the source should actually be listed as Indian, Smith, or Walker Creek.
- 2) The claims might be under a different name, maybe a corporation name.
- 3) Missing claims might not be located in Basin 29, which is all I searched.

I hope this helps. Please feel free to drop me a line if you have any questions. Once again, I apologize for not getting back to you on this subject earlier.

Sincerely,

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