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To those concerned;

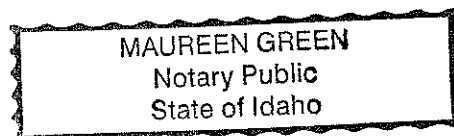
Please review this letter to set evidence of priority of beneficial use of water right claim no. 22-12081. After trying to gain history of my property by talking to family members of the previous owners / renters. The best source I have is Leslie Henrie. He is since deceased but his son Gary Henrie states that he and his family moved to town (Driggs) in 1948. His dad purchased the property next to mine, which then belonged to Edgar Cordon whose estate I bought it from. They milked a few head of cows and had some pasture on their place. They were able to run them at times on the Cordon property. The ditches were already established and the property was irrigated from this water source at that time, just as it is to this day. I'm not at all sure much longer it was before 1948.

The map I made and sent with the General Adjudication claim on my property filed in 09/1988 case # 39576 should show the areas on my place that I am able to irrigate with this water source. I owned this property since 1984. I hope this will provide the proof needed to set the priority date.

Thanks



Les van Leerdam
p/o 626
Driggs, Idaho 83422



APPROVED & JOIN TO BEFORE
ON THIS 9th DAY OF April 12, 2004
Maureen Green
NOTARY PUBLIC
RESIDING AT: Teton Co
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 08/05/08

claim 22-12018

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Haws Dam and Crandall Springs*
Fremont County *
3 second feet *
Irrigation and domestic *
priority 10-3-1904 *

S T A T E O F I D A H O
Water License No. 885.

WHEREAS, On the 3rd day of October, A.D. 1904, ALZINA T. CRANDALL, of Driggs, County of Fremont, State of Idaho, duly made application (No. 1229) to me for a permit to use 4 cubic feet per second of the waters of Haws Dam and Crandall Springs, County of Fremont, State of Idaho, for irrigation and domestic purposes; and.

WHEREAS, On the 25th day of October A.D. 1904, Permit No. 885 was issued to said applicant for the diversion of said water, and providing for the completion of the works of diversion therein described on or before the 25th day of October A.D. 1905, and for the application to beneficial use of said water on or before the 25th day of October A.D. 1909, and.

WHEREAS, On the 25th day of October A.D. 1905, the holder of said permit duly made proof of the completion of adequate works for the diversion of 4 cubic feet per second of said waters, as evidenced by my Certificate No. 885 dated November 28, 1905, confirming the completion of works of sufficient capacity for diverting and conveying to the place of intended use 4 cubic feet per second of water, with date of priority of October 3, 1904, and

WHEREAS, On the 5th day of September A.D. 1908, proof was duly made of the application to beneficial use of 3 cubic feet per second of said water:

NOW, THEREFORE, By virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Idaho, I hereby grant and confirm to ALZINA T. CRANDALL of Driggs, Idaho, the holder and owner of said Permit No. 885, a perpetual right, dating from October 3, 1904, to the use of 3 cubic feet per second of the waters of Haws Dam and Crandall Springs, in the county of Fremont and State of Idaho, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purposes hereinbelow mentioned, to be diverted at a point in the southwest quarter of southeast quarter, and at a point in southwest quarter of northeast quarter, section 34, township 5 north, range 45 east of Boise meridian, and conducted to and upon (80 acres in north half of southwest quarter; 20 acres in the southwest quarter of southwest quarter; 30 acres in southeast quarter of southwest quarter, section 34, township 5 north, range 45 east B.M.; and 20 acres in the northwest quarter of northwest quarter, section 3, township 4 north, range 45 east of the Boise meridian, for the purpose of irrigation and domestic use, subject, however, to the laws of the State of Idaho applicable to a license for the use of the waters of the State, and subject, also, to the local or community customs, rules and regulations, which have been or may be adopted from time to time by a majority of the users from a common source of supply, canal or lateral from which such water may be taken, when such rules and regulations have for their object the economical use of such water.

WITNESS, My hand and the seal of my office at Boise, Idaho, this 23rd
day of October A.D. Nineteen hundred and eight.

Jas. Stephenson, Jr.
State Engineer

(SEAL)

Recorded October 23, 1908.

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June 14, 2005
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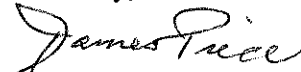
Ref. SRBA Claim #22-13246

I appreciate your help and patience in the on going adjudication process. On September 27, 2004 I delivered a folder of information concerning this water claim. It contained (1) copy of letter requesting priority for SRBA right claim #22-13246 (2) Change of ownership form. (3) Copy of notice of claim. (4) My Affidavit Re: SRBA claim #22-13246. (5) Copy of water right #885 given to Alzina Crandall. Given in deed to Vandes A. Price and eventually to James and Marlene Price noted on warranty deed dated 28 Oct. 1992. (6) Quadrant map showing area (i.e.) description. (7) Copy of court case #1948-Ray Rigby. (8) Copy of warranty deed-note tract 3 in warranty deed it shows title by James and Marlene Price. (9) Patent USA to Alzina Crandall 1907. (9a) To Vandes A. Price 1918.

Now, attached please find letters from Dee O'Brien, John Letham, and Leon Weston confirming this water has in the past been used for beneficial use on the lands shown in the claim # 22-13246 and that the source of such water has been diverted from Teton Creek at the noted points of diversion as noted in Dee O'Brien Letter. This water has been the source of water supplying water used from Crandall Springs, Buffalo Springs, and Haws Dam, not to mention the un-named streams that flow from the area where the water is diverted. This water has been used on the land described in the Water Claim.

Thanks again for your help and if you would like to go with me for a few minutes some day I would enjoy showing you this area and help verify these natural happenings.

Sincerely,


James Price

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Eastern Region

Dear Sirs:

I am writing this letter to address some issues regarding water rights and delivery of water to Jay Dell Butler, James Price and others from Buffalo Springs, Crandall Springs and unnamed springs. These claimants name Teton Creek as the source for their claims, which seem to be the issue.

I served as deputy watermaster for water district 01 from 1978 to 2000. During that time I delivered water from Teton Creek through the diversion near the "Y" intersection just east of Driggs and from a diversion on Teton Creek just east of the Val Christensen home. This diversion is located approximately 1/3 of a mile downstream from the "Y" diversion. After these two diversions were opened it took approximately 10 days to two weeks for the sub water to come up and for the springs and streams that are used by Price and Butler to begin to flow.

These springs and the sub water continued to flow for the rest of the irrigation season even though Teton Creek was totally diverted above these two diversions on the Creek.

This was the common practice during the entire time that I was the watermaster.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dee O'Brien". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the "Sincerely yours," text.

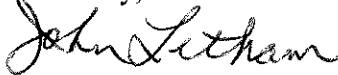
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I am writing this letter to address some issues regarding water rights and delivery of water to Jay Dell Butler, James Price and others from Buffalo Springs, Crandall Springs and unnamed springs. These claimants name Teton Creek as the source for their claims, which seem to be the issue.

I've served as water master for Grand Teton Canal Co. for several years and have run a beef cow ranch operation in Teton Valley all my life. In the years past I have been aware of and have witnessed water being diverted at the various points of diversion as mentioned in Dee O'Brien letter and know of the valuable influence this diverted water has on the various Springs and Streams mentioned. I have also put up hay close to the land in question and know the Prices have irrigated these lands with water from the mentioned Teton Creek and various springs and unnamed streams fed by Teton Creek water.

This has been the common practice during the time period I have observed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Letham".

John Letham

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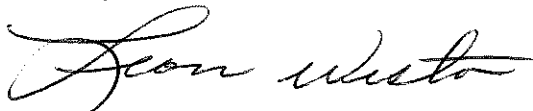
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I've lived in Teton Valley all my life and ranched and farmed in and around the area mentioned in Dee O'Brien letter. In the years past I have been aware of and have witnessed water being diverted at the various points of diversion as mentioned, in the letter.

The area in which I ranch and water is also directly affected by the mentioned water diverted from Teton Creek and use water diverted from the same locations.

This has been the common practice during the time period I have observed and ranched.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leon Weston".

Leon Weston