

To: File A34-00832A
Fr: Bryce A. Contor
Date: August 30, 1999

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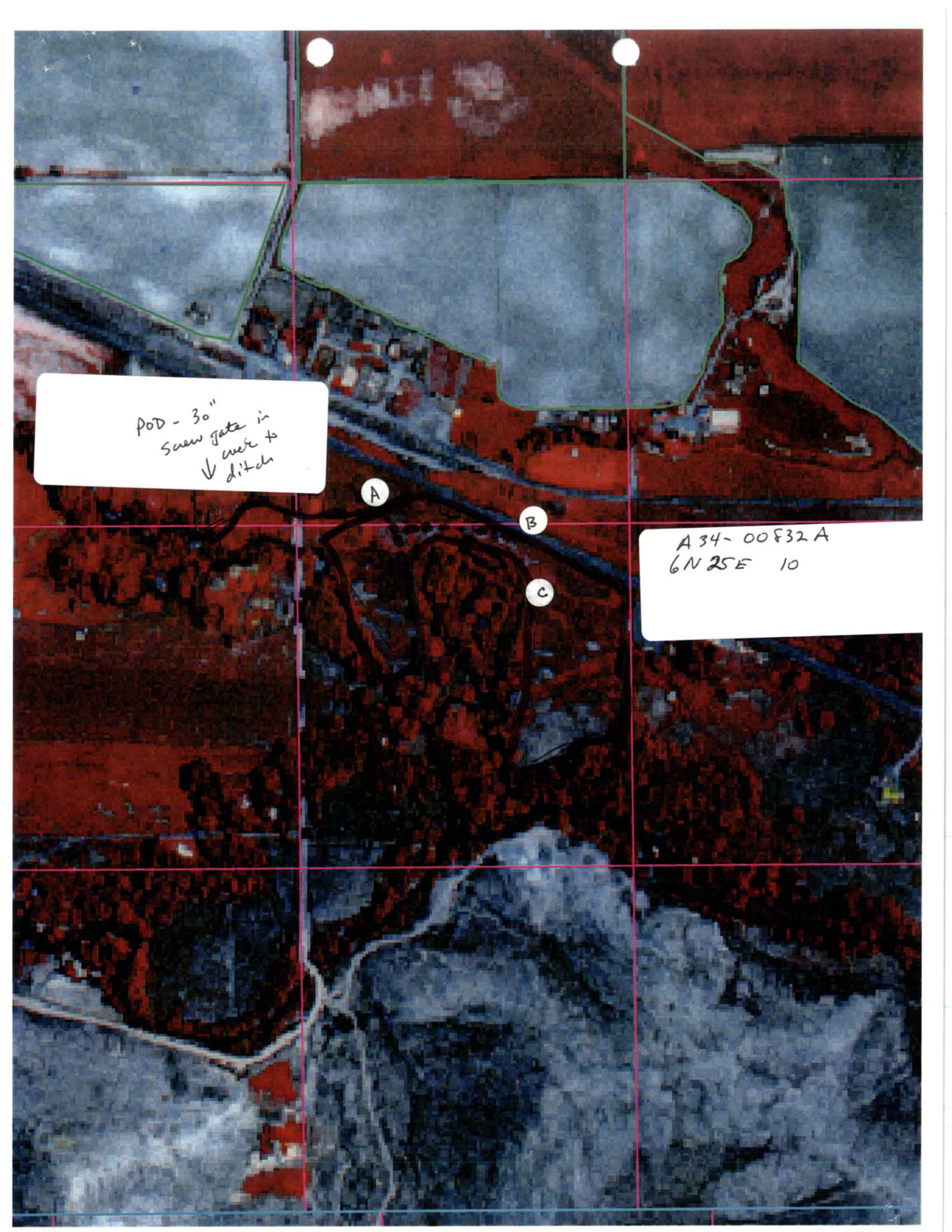
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POD - 30"
Sewer gate in
weir to
ditch

A

B

C

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6N25E 10

Bauer
Jim ~~Farrman~~ 8/30/99

30" Screw gate - spring the river water
late - spring fed only.

Share ditch w/ George Gilbert

≈ 500' ? N of road.

≈ 6" fall in 100' @ ditch by hand level -
see map.

Fixed my soil storage rights.

588-2231

Linda ~~B~~

James Bauer - is still part of service area -
if owned share, water could be delivered.



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James Bauer
Evadean Bauer
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Moore, Idaho 83255

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bauer:

Thank you for showing me your diversion and property this morning. I've visited briefly with Mr. Ernie Carlsen and prepared a report for him. He will be out of the office for about two weeks but you may contact him when he returns.

I also spoke with Linda at the Big Lost River Irrigation District office. She indicated that your property is included within the district's service area, so purchasing storage water from another water user is a workable possibility.

Please feel free to call if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Bryce A. Contor
Senior Water Resource Agent



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30 inch screwgate on Spring Creek. Looking west (upstream) across top of screwgate.



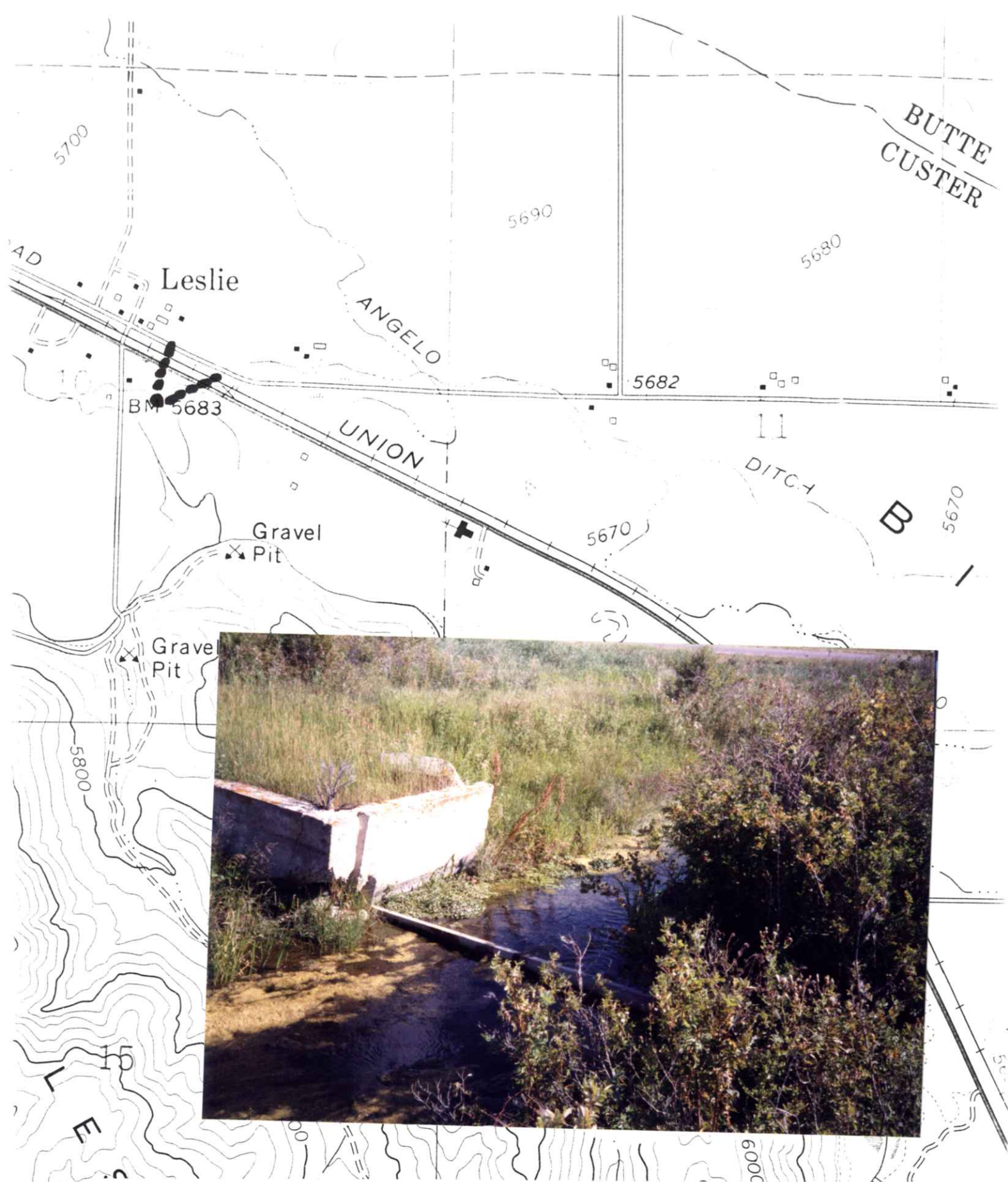
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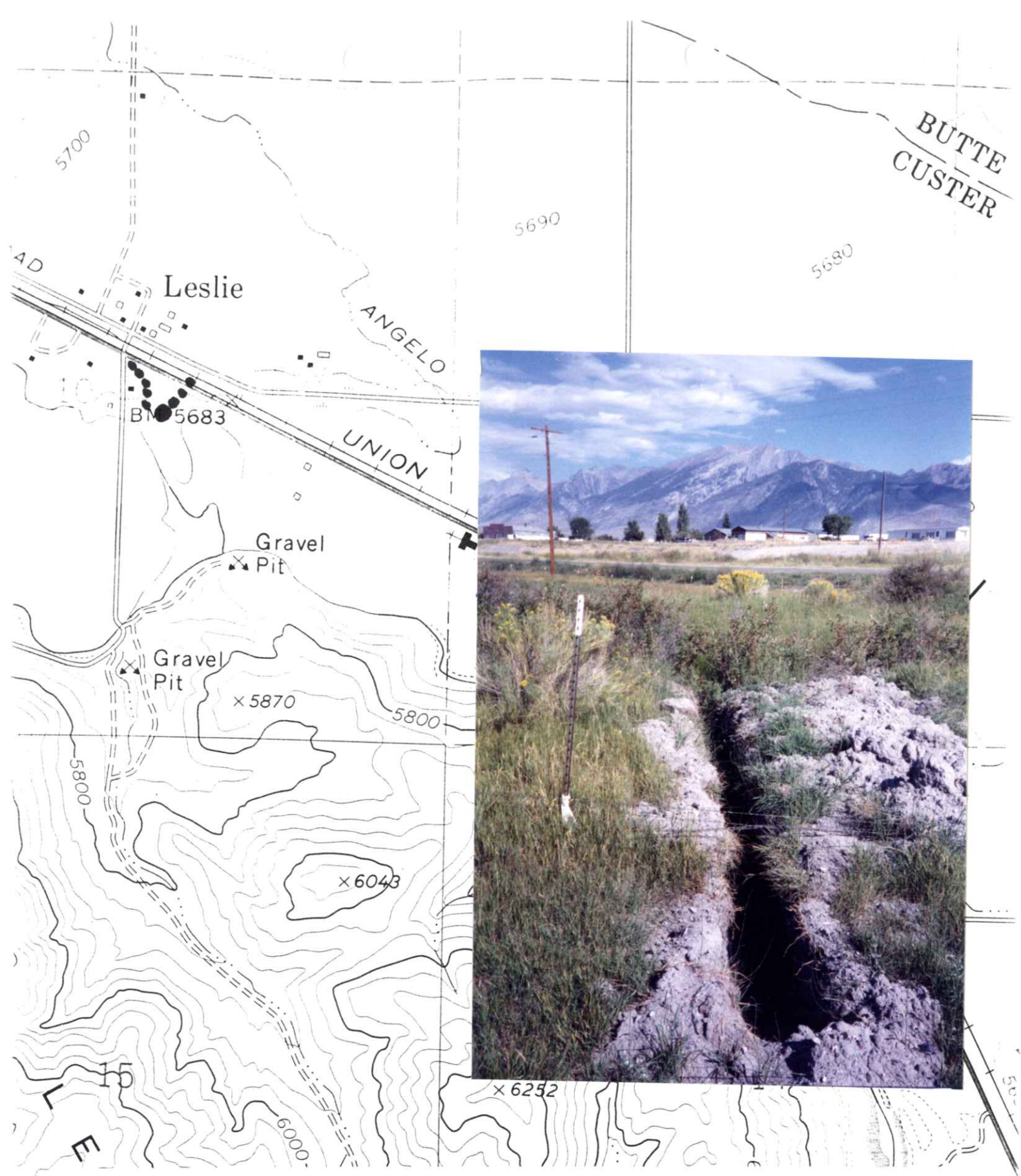
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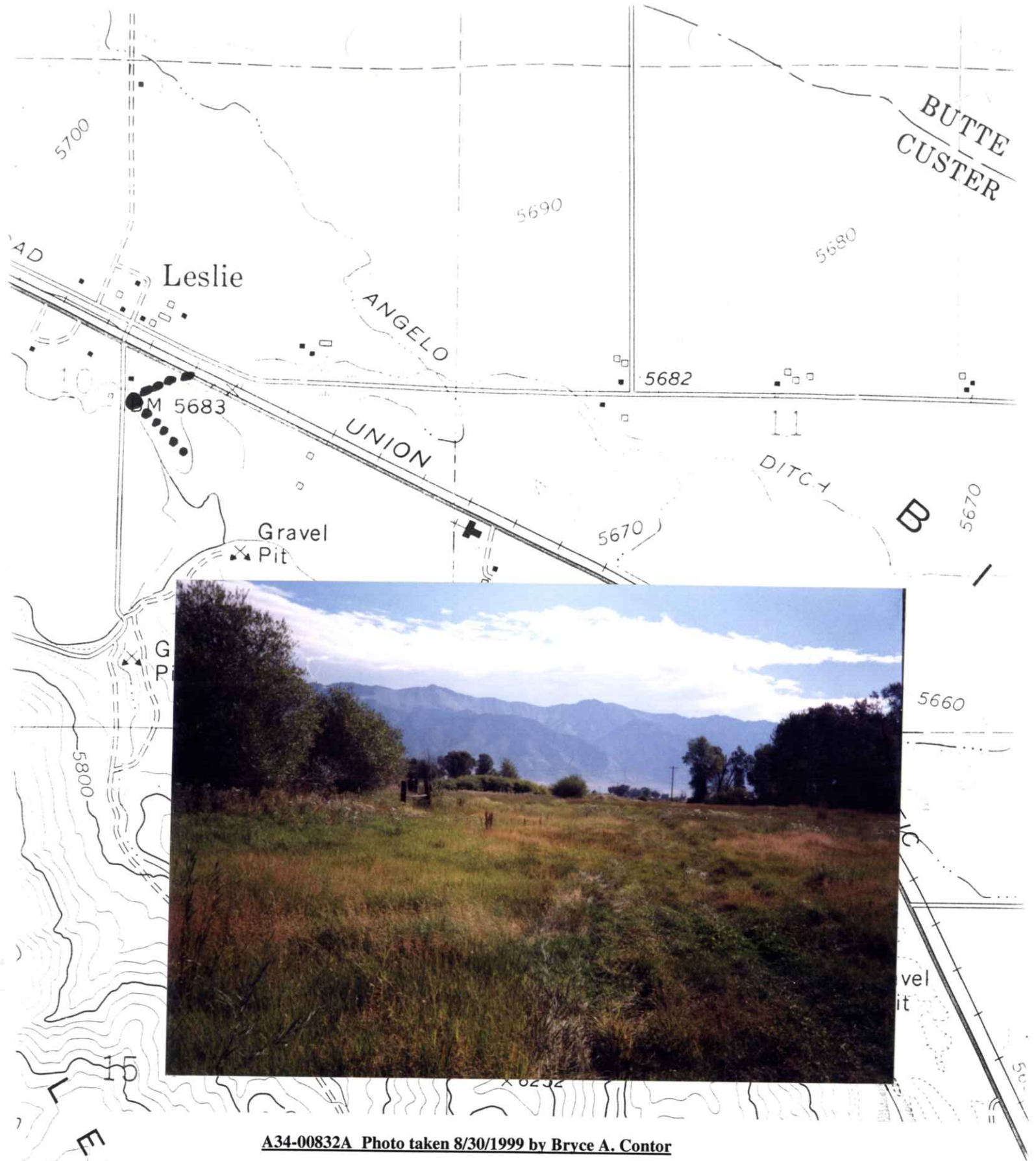
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Check structure on ditch, location "A" on GIS photo. Looking east northeast from south side of ditch.



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New ditch to check structure "A." Looking north from north edge of POU.



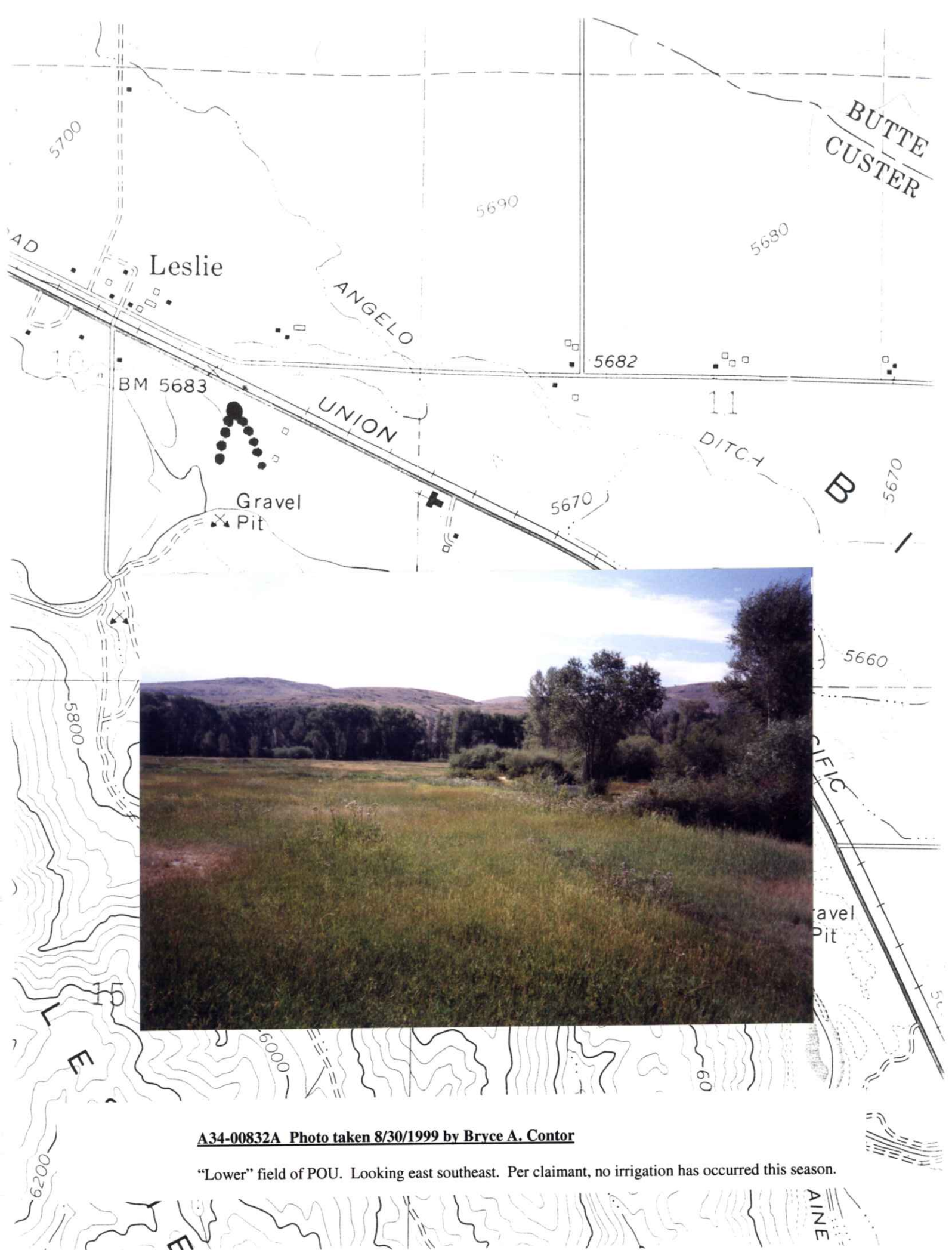
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Entry to POU. Looking southeast. Per claimant, no irrigation has occurred this season.



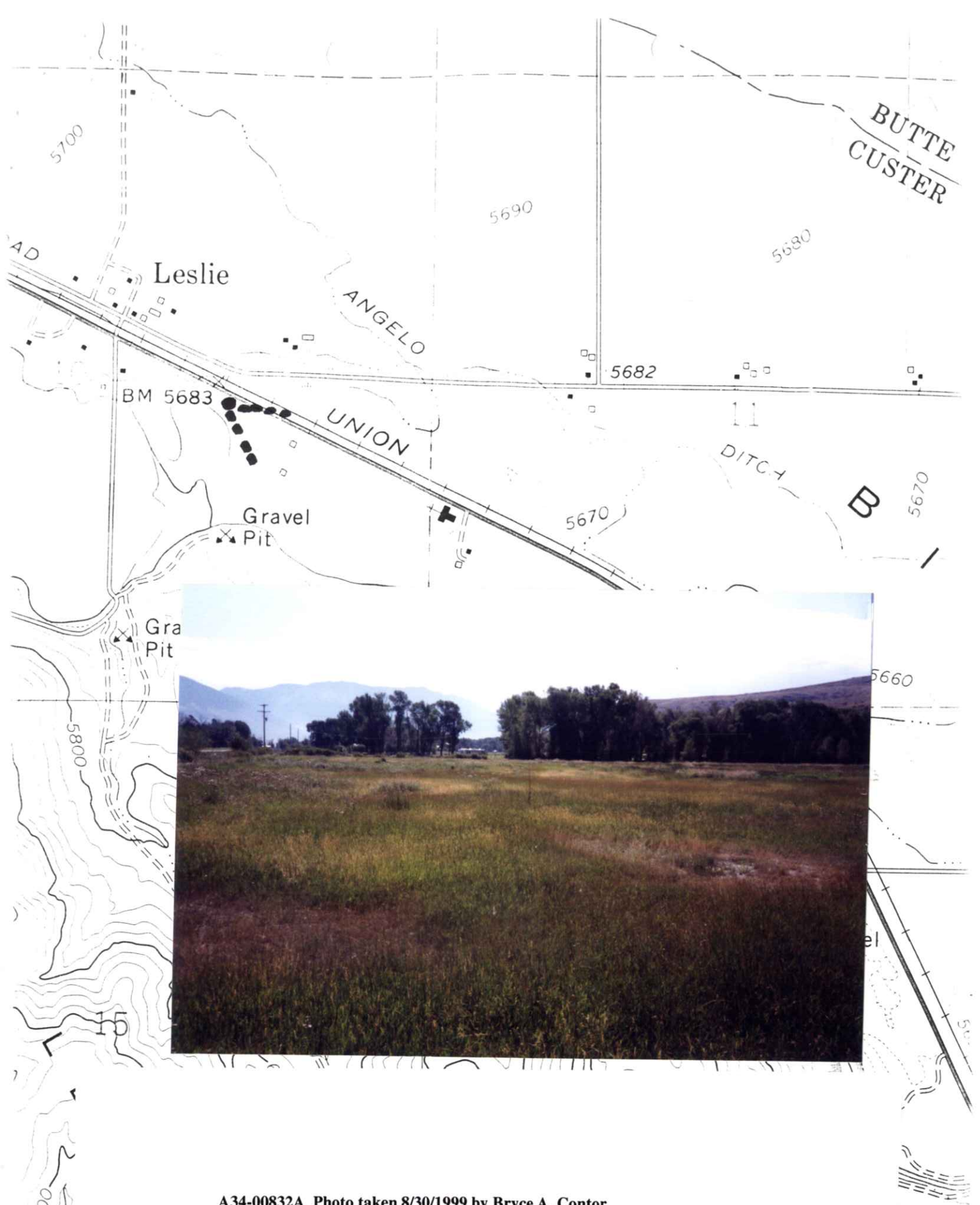
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"Upper" field of POU. Looking south southeast. Per claimant, no irrigation has occurred this season.



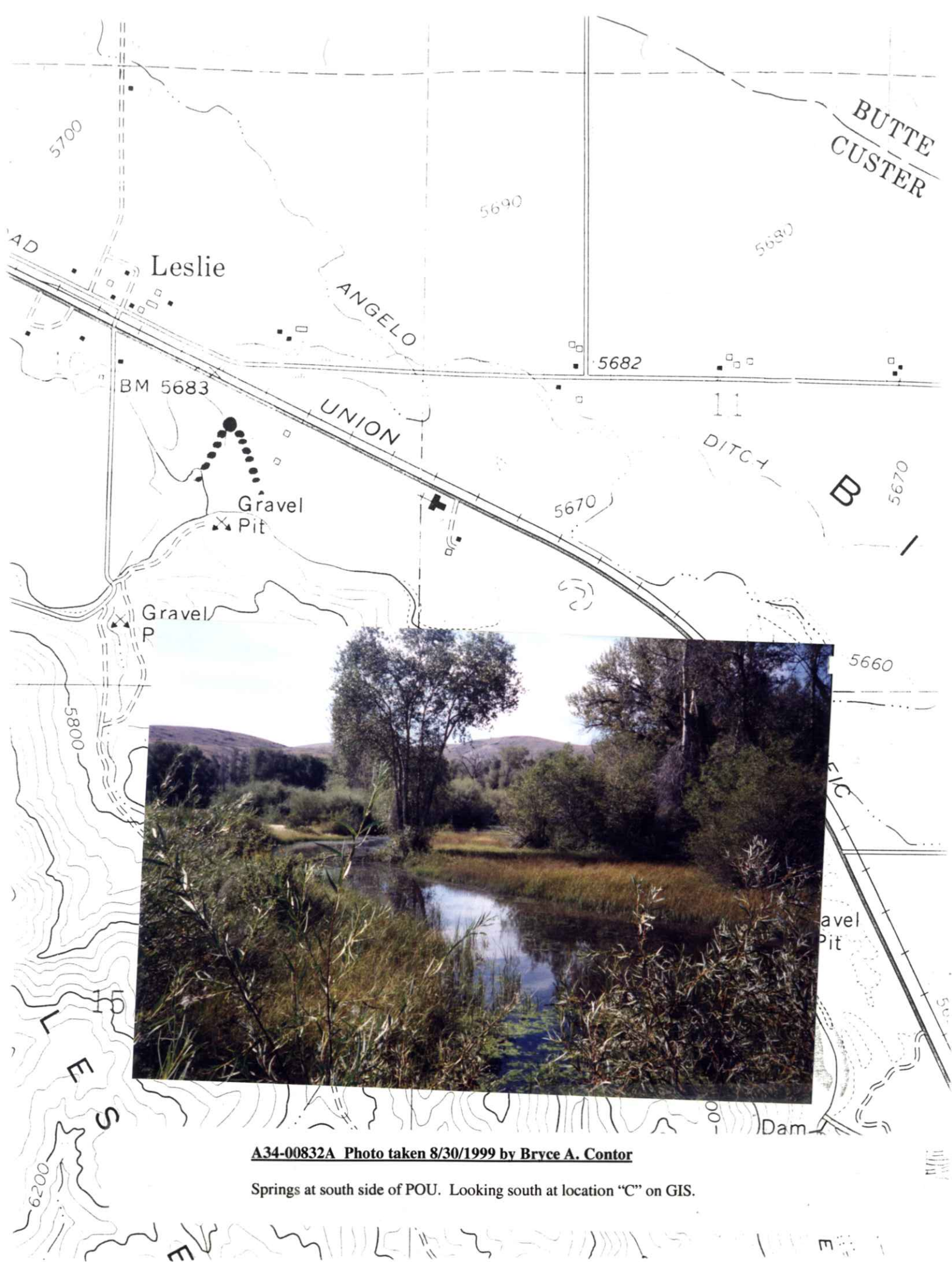
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"Lower" field of POU. Looking east southeast. Per claimant, no irrigation has occurred this season.



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"Lower" field of POU. Looking east along highway. Per claimant, no irrigation has occurred this season.



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Springs at south side of POU. Looking south at location "C" on GIS.