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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

In Re SRBA) Subcases 45-12475 and 45-12517
Case No. 39576) (USDI / BLM)
_____) SPECIAL MASTER REPORT
_____)

Findings of Fact

The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources filed his *Director's Report, Domestic & Stock, Reporting Area 10 (IDWR Basin 45)* on March 2, 1998. The Director recommended the above claims to the United States of America, Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Idaho State Office, 1387 S. Vinnell Way, Boise, Idaho, 83709-1657, for .02 cfs from springs for stockwater use in Cassia County from May 20 or June 1 to June 30 or October 31 with a priority date of January 1, 1873, based on beneficial use.

The Director added the following language under priority date:

4 / 17 / 1926 Claimed under federal reserved water right.

This water right is also claimed based on federal law with an April 17, 1926, date of priority pursuant to an Executive Order signed the same date and known as Public Water Reserve 107.

On July 2, 1998, the State of Idaho and the United States filed *Objections* and on April 3, 2006, Bruce and Jared Bedke were granted leave to file late *Objections*. The Bedkes' *Objections* were dismissed on August 21, 2007, based on a *Stipulation* and on January 6, 2009, the State and, the United States, with IDWR's concurrence, filed *Standard Forms 5*.

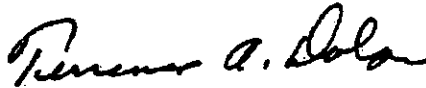
On March 12, 2009, an I.C. § 42-1411A evidentiary hearing was held by telephone and the United States offered the *Affidavit of Fredric W. Price*. In his *Affidavit*, Mr. Price, a water rights specialist in the BLM state office, stated: the federal law basis of the claims is Executive Order, dated April 17, 1926, and known as Public Water Reserve 107; the claims are located on

unreserved federal public domain as of April 17, 1926; the lands currently remain under U.S. Department of Interior administration; the claimed water sources was confirmed by field investigation; there is sufficient surface water at the claimed sites for consumptive use by livestock; and the sources are springs or waterholes located at the claimed points of diversion and places of use described in the *SF-5s*.

Conclusions of Law

The United States is entitled to partial decrees adjudicating federal reserved water rights with a priority date of April 17, 1926, as described in the *SF-5s*, Mr. Price's *Affidavit* and the attached *Special Master Recommendations for Partial Decrees for Federal Reserved Water Rights 75-12475 and 45-12517*.

DATED August 17, 2009.



TERRENCE A. DOLAN
Special Master
Snake River Basin Adjudication

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In Re SRBA)
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PARTIAL DECREE PURSUANT TO
I.R.C.P. 54(b) FOR
Water Right 45-12475

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NAME AND ADDRESS: USDI BLM
IDAHO STATE OFFICE
1387 S VINNELL WAY
BOISE, ID 83709-1657

SOURCE: SPRING TRIBUTARY: SINKS

QUANTITY: 0.02 CFS

THE QUANTITY OF WATER UNDER THIS RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED 13,000
GALLONS PER DAY.

PRIORITY DATE: 04/17/1926

THIS WATER RIGHT IS DECREED BASED ON FEDERAL LAW WITH AN
APRIL 17, 1926, DATE OF PRIORITY PURSUANT TO AN EXECUTIVE ORDER
SIGNED THE SAME DATE AND KNOWN AS PUBLIC WATER RESERVE 107.

POINT OF DIVERSION: T15S R22E S27 NESESW Within Cassia County

PURPOSE AND PERIOD OF USE:	PURPOSE OF USE	PERIOD OF USE	QUANTITY
	Stockwater	01-01 TO 12-31	0.02 CFS

PLACE OF USE: Stockwater Within Cassia County
T15S R22E S27 SESW

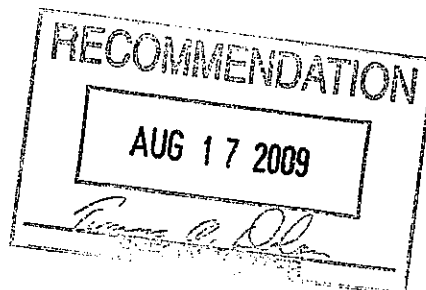
OTHER PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR DEFINITION OR ADMINISTRATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT:

THIS PARTIAL DECREE IS SUBJECT TO SUCH GENERAL PROVISIONS
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ADMINISTRATION OF THE WATER RIGHTS AS MAY BE ULTIMATELY
DETERMINED BY THE COURT AT A POINT IN TIME NO LATER THAN THE
ENTRY OF A FINAL UNIFIED DECREE. I.C. SECTION 42-1412(6).

RULE 54(b) CERTIFICATE

With respect to the issues determined by the above judgment or order, it is hereby CERTIFIED, in accordance
with Rule 54(b), I.R.C.P., that the court has determined that there is no just reason for delay of the entry of a
final judgment and that the court has and does hereby direct that the above judgment or order shall be a final
judgment upon which execution may issue and an appeal may be taken as provided by the Idaho Appellate Rules.

John M. Melanson
Presiding Judge of the
Snake River Basin Adjudication

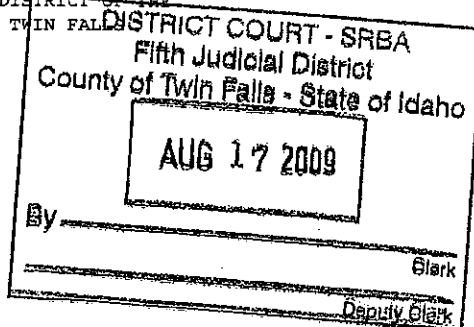


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PARTIAL DECREE PURSUANT TO
I.R.C.P. 54(b) FOR

Water Right 45-12517



NAME AND ADDRESS: USDI BLM
IDAHO STATE OFFICE
1387 S VINNELL WAY
BOISE, ID 83709-1657

SOURCE: SPRING TRIBUTARY: SINKS

QUANTITY: 0.02 CFS

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POINT OF DIVERSION: T12S R19E S25 NESWNW Within Cassia County

PURPOSE AND PERIOD OF USE:	PURPOSE OF USE	PERIOD OF USE	QUANTITY
	Stockwater	01-01 TO 12-31	0.02 CFS

PLACE OF USE: Stockwater Within Cassia County
T12S R19E S25 SWNW

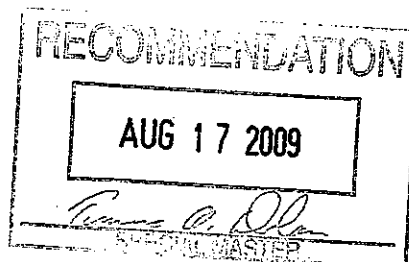
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NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF
SPECIAL MASTER'S
RECOMMENDATION

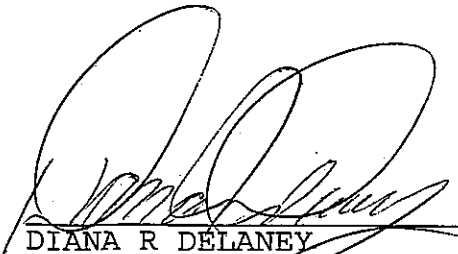
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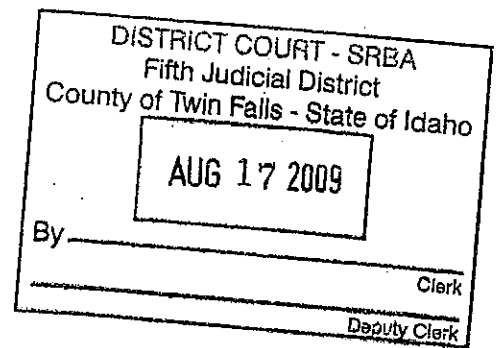
On August 17, 2009, Special Master JOHN M MELANSON issued a SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION for the above subcase(s) pursuant to SRBA Administrative Order 1 (AO1), Section 13a.

Pursuant to SRBA Administrative Order 1, Section 13a, any party to the adjudication including parties to the subcase, may file a Motion to Alter or Amend on or before the 28th day of the next month.

Failure of any party in the adjudication to pursue or participate in a Motion to Alter or Amend the SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION shall constitute a waiver of the right to challenge it before the Presiding Judge.

DATED August 17, 2009.


DIANA R DELANEY
Deputy Clerk



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45-12517

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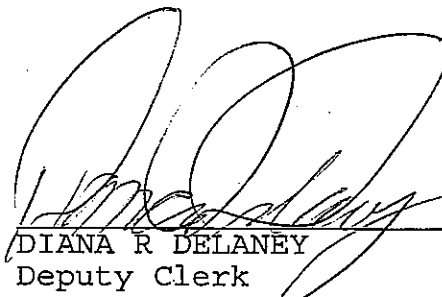
I certify that a true and correct copy of the SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT, SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR PARTIAL DECREE and NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION were mailed on August 17, 2009, with sufficient first-class postage prepaid to the following:

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