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DISTRICT COURT - SRBA
Fifth Judicial District
County of Twin Falls - State of Idaho
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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	)	**SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT**
	)	
Case No. 39576	)	**FINDINGS OF FACT AND**
	)	**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**
	)	
_____	)	**FOR WATER RIGHT 63-02322**

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

A notice of claim was filed for the above-captioned water right pursuant to I.C. § 42-1409. The Director of the State of Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) examined the water system for this reporting area. The *Director's Report* contained a recommendation or abstract for the elements of this water right.

Objections were timely filed by the Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District, and by W.O. LLC. On April 16, 2010, the parties filed a *Standard Form 5 – Stipulated Elements of a Water Right* which resolved the objection. The Idaho Department of Water Resources concurred with the stipulation.

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Therefore based on the file and record herein and pursuant to the *Standard Form 5*, IT IS RECOMMENDED that water right 63-02322 be **decreed** with the elements as set forth in the attached ***Recommendation for Partial Decree Pursuant to I.R.C.P. 54(b).***

Dated April 29, 2010

Theodore R. Booth
Special Master
Snake River Basin Adjudication

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	)	PARTIAL DECREE PURSUANT TO
	)	I.R.C.P. 54(b) FOR
Case No. 39576	)	
	)	Water Right 63-02322

NAME AND ADDRESS:
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
REGIONAL DIRECTOR PN REGION
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION PN-3100
1150 N CURTIS RD STE 100
BOISE, ID 83706-1234

SOURCE:
ELIJAH SLOUGH TRIBUTARY: BOISE RIVER
WILSON SLOUGH TRIBUTARY: BOISE RIVER

QUANTITY:
120.00 CFS

PRIORITY DATE:
10/04/1918

POINT OF DIVERSION:
T03N R03W S12 NENW Within Canyon County
NWSE

PURPOSE AND PERIOD OF USE:

PURPOSE OF USE	PERIOD OF USE	QUANTITY
Irrigation	03-01 TO 11-15	120.00 CFS

PLACE OF USE:

The boundary encompassing the place of use for this water right is described with a digital boundary as defined by I.C. Section 42-202B(2) and authorized pursuant to I.C. Section 42-1411(2)(h). The data comprising the digital boundary are incorporated herein by reference and are stored on a CD-ROM disk issued in duplicate originals on file with the SRBA District Court and the Idaho Department of Water Resources. A map depicting the place of use is attached hereto to illustrate the place of use described by the digital boundary.
This right when combined with Right No. 63-2878 can be used to irrigate up to 6,880.73 acres of the 62,140 acres within the boundary of the Black Canyon Irrigation District.
62140 ACRES TOTAL

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

This right remains subject to the right of the original appropriator, in good faith and in compliance with state laws governing changes in use and/or expansion of water rights, to cease wasting water, to change the place or manner of wasting it, or to recapture it.
The name of the United States of America acting through the Bureau of Reclamation appears in the Name and Address sections of this partial decree. However, as a matter of Idaho Constitutional and Statutory Law, title to the use of the water is held by the consumers or users of water. The irrigation organizations act on behalf of the consumers or users to administer the use of the water for the landowners in the quantities and/or percentages specified in the contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and the irrigation organizations for the benefit of the landowners entitled to receive distribution of this water from the respective irrigation organizations. The interest of the consumers or users of the water is appurtenant to the lands within the boundaries of or served by such irrigation organizations, and that interest is derived from law and is not based exclusively on the contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and the irrigation organizations.

OTHER PROVISIONS (continued)

This water right shall not alter or abrogate any provision of contract executed by the United States or State law regarding Black Canyon Irrigation District or Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District rights and responsibilities to use and make available water developed in drains within their boundaries.

THIS PARTIAL DECREE IS SUBJECT TO SUCH GENERAL PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR THE DEFINITION OF THE RIGHTS OR FOR THE EFFICIENT 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.

Eric J. Wildman
Presiding Judge of the
Snake River Basin Adjudication

RECOMMENDATION
APR 29 2010
SPECIAL MASTER

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In Re SRBA Case No. 39576	NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION Water Right(s): 63-02322

On April 29, 2010, Special Master THEODORE R. BOOTH 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 April 29, 2010.

DIANA R DELANEY
Deputy Clerk

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In Re SRBA Case No. 39576	CERTIFICATE OF MAILING Water Right(s): 63-02322

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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 April 29, 2010, with sufficient first-class postage prepaid to the following:

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DIANA R DELANEY
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