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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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DIRK KEMPTHORNE
Governor

KARL J. DREHER
Director

May 3, 2006

Jim Mecham
428 Main Ave N
Twin Falls, ID 83301

RE: Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) Claim Nos.: 37-1244, 37-4389 and 37-7861

Dear Mr. Mecham:

Your letter of March 10, 2006 to Director Dreher has been routed to me since I was the one that reviewed your SRBA Claim Nos. 37-1244 and 37-4389. I am pleased to hear that you are satisfied with the recommendations for those water rights.

Your letter also references three additional Water Right Nos., 37-7719, 37-7756 and 37-7861. If you remember our discussion from last year, the only one of these three water rights that required the filing of a claim in the SRBA was Right No. 37-7861. And, because that claim and the appropriate filing fees were received after the Basin 37 Part 1 Surface Water Director's Report had been filed with the SRBA Court, it was not reported with Claim Nos. 37-1244 and 37-4389. However, Claim No. 37-7861 will be reported in the Director's Report for Basin 37 Part 2 or Part 3 later this year. Staff at our Southern Region office in Twin Falls will review the claim and prepare the recommendation for the Director's Report.

Even though the other two water right numbers referenced in your letter do not require claims in the SRBA, you may still file claims for these water uses. However, you will need to decide if there will be any benefit to you in filing the claims and paying the claim filing fees. Permit No. 37-7719 will become a licensed water right, and Right No. 37-7756 was licensed in 1991. Filing claims for these water uses would not change any of the elements of the water rights, or make them "better" water rights.

If you have any questions regarding your SRBA claims, you may contact me by phone at (208) 287-4917 or by email at carter.fritschle@idwr.idaho.gov.

Carter Fritschle

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Section Manager
Adjudication Bureau

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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

MARCH 10, 2006

RE: WATER RIGHTS 37-1244 & 37-4389
& YOUR LETTER OF NOV. 4, 2005

KARL J. DREHER, DIRECTOR
DEP'T OF WATER RESOURCES
322 E. FRONT ST.
323 P.O. BOX 83720
BOISE, ID 83720-0098

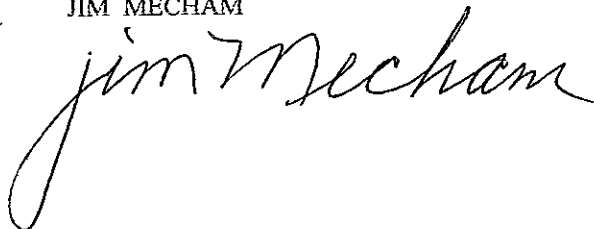
DEAR MR. DREHER:

I AM WRITING ONLY BECAUSE OF OUR MARCH 10 DEADLINE. YOU NEEDN'T READ IT NOW. JUST PUT IN MY FILE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE IF NEEDED.

THE WATER AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE ABOVE RIGHTS FOR IRRIGATION & STOCKWATER ARE SATISFACTORY BUT OUR OTHER USES HAVE NOT YET BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED FOR ADJUDICATION. THEY ARE LICENSE & CLAIMS #37-7756, 37-7861, & 37-7719.

THANK YOU,
WE APPRECIATE ALL YOU ARE DOING FOR IDAHO WATER USERS.

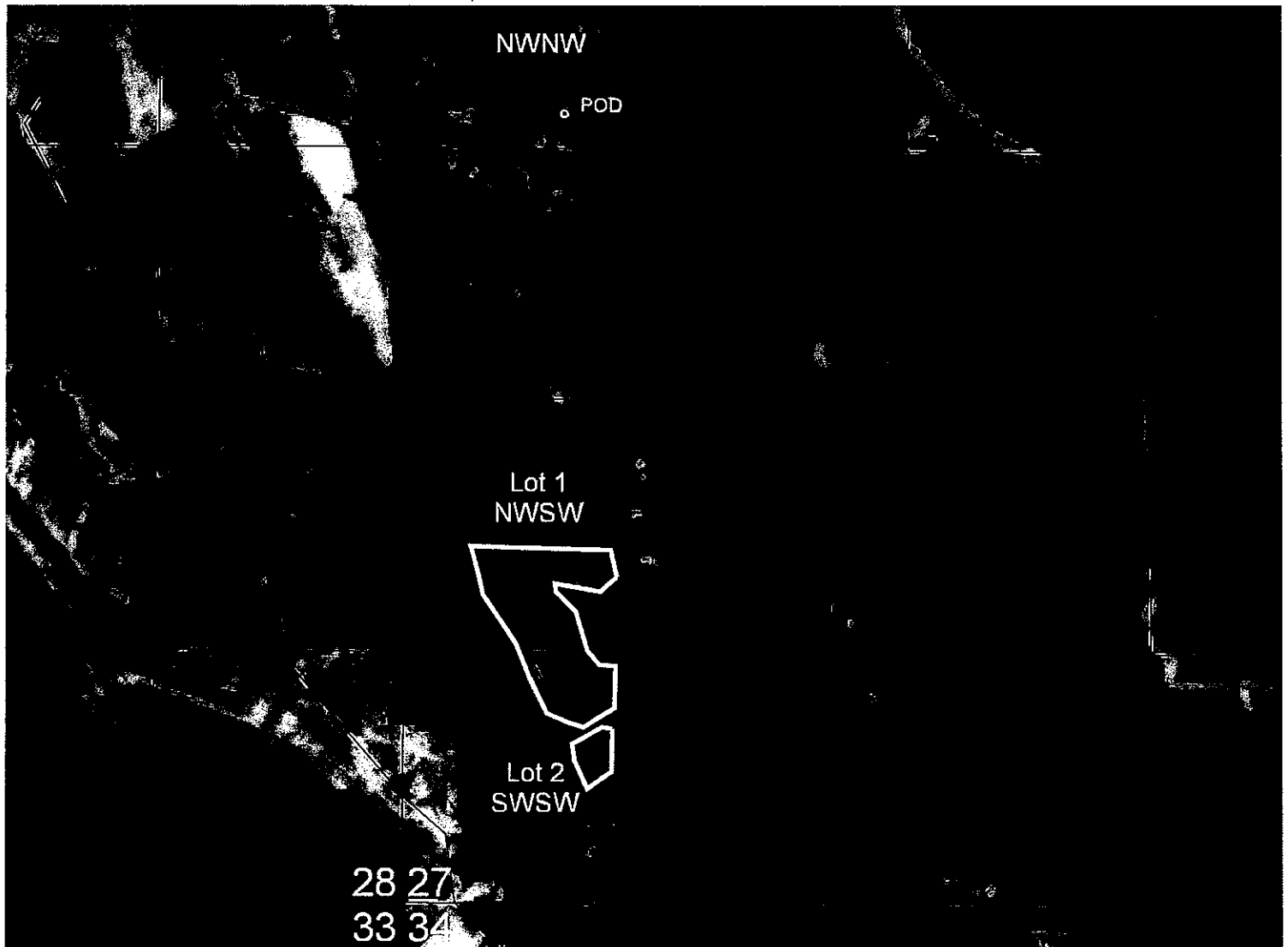
JIM MECHAM



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37-1244

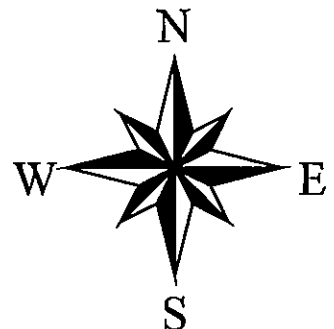


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Date prepared: 03/31/05
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Idaho Department of Water Resources



02/24/2005

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION OF WATER RIGHTS ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

RIGHT NUMBER: 37-1244

NAME AND ADDRESS: JUNE MECHAM
428 MAIN AVE N
TWIN FALLS ID 83301

JAMES W MECHAM
428 MAIN AVE N
TWIN FALLS ID 83301

SOURCE: STODDARD CREEK SPRING

TRIBUTARY: STODDARD CREEK

QUANTITY: 0.714 CFS

Right nos. 37-1244 and 37-4389 are limited to a total combined diversion rate of 0.714 cfs.

The quantity of water under this right for stockwater use shall not exceed 13,000 gallons per day.

PRIORITY DATE: 06/01/1914

POINT OF DIVERSION:

T06S R13E S27 SENWNW Within GOODING County

PURPOSE AND
PERIOD OF USE:

<u>PURPOSE OF USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
STOCKWATER	11/02 03/14	0.300 CFS
	03/15 11/01	0.714 CFS
IRRIGATION	03/15 11/01	0.714 CFS

The use of water for irrigation under this right may begin as early as March 15 and may continue to as late as November 15, provided other elements of the right are not exceeded. The use of after November 1 under this remark is subordinate to all water rights having no subordinated early or late irrigation use and priority date earlier than the date a partial decree is entered for this right.

PLACE OF USE: STOCKWATER Within GOODING County

T06S R13E S27 Lot 1 NWSW

T06S R13E S27 Lot 2 SWSW

IRRIGATION Within GOODING County

T06S R13E S27 Lot 1 NWSW

6.6

T06S R13E S27 Lot 2 SWSW

4.4

11 ACRES TOTAL

Right nos. 37-1244 and 37-4389 are limited to the irrigation of a combined total of 11 acres in a single irrigation season.

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

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. Section 42-1412(6), Idaho Code.

The quantity of water decreed for this water right for stockwater use is not a determination of historical beneficial use.

EXPLANATORY MATERIAL: Decreed

Hamilton v. Standal

Water Right	Purpose	From	To	Amount (cfs)	Priority	Decreed Owner	SRBA Claim	Comments
37-1238	Domestic	1-1	12-31		6-1-1914	Harrison	37-10086	1.5 inch pipe, under 13,000 gpd
37-1239	Irrigation	3-15	11-1	0.436	6-1-1914	Harrison	37-10086	7 ac. total
37-1240	Stockwater	11-2	3-14	0.20	6-1-1914	Harrison	37-10086	Under 13,000 gpd
37-1241	Irrigation	3-15	11-1	0.534	6-1-1914	Reid	37-1241	9.75 ac. irrigated (11 ac. total)
	Stockwater	3-15	11-1					Under 13,000 gpd
37-1242	Irrigation	11-2	3-14	1.18	6-2-1914	Standal	37-1242	All of the unallocated water *
	Power	11-2	3-14	1.18				
	Fish Propagation	11-2	3-14	1.18				
37-1244	Irrigation	3-15	11-1	0.714	6-1-1914	Mecham	37-1244	11 ac. irrigated (21 ac. total)
	Stockwater	3-15	11-1					Under 13,000 gpd
	Stockwater	11-1	3-15	0.30				Under 13,000 gpd
37-4105	Irrigation	3-15	11-1	1.816	6-1-1914	Hamilton	37-12974	34 ac. total
	Domestic	1-1	12-31					Under 13,000 gpd
	Fire Protection	1-1	12-31	1.816				
	Recreation	1-1	12-31	1.816				
	Fish Propagation	1-1	12-31	1.816				
	Wildlife	1-1	12-31	1.816				
	Aesthetics	1-1	12-31	1.816				

* "5. Defendants Standal are entitled to all waters flowing from Stoddard Creek Springs not previously allocated above." (Page 7 or page 47 of the Amended Findings of Fact.)

See page 2 for most recent information

Hamilton v. Standal

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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 THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION
OF RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER FROM
THE SNAKE RIVER BASIN WATER SYSTEM.

CIVIL CASE NUMBER: 39576

Ident. Number: A37-01244
Date Received: 8/12/1988
Receipt No: S001428
Received By: lw

AMENDED

NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

AMENDED

1. Name: JAMES W. MECHAM 208-837-4572
Address: C/O HAGERMAN SCHOOL
HAGERMAN, ID 83332
AND/OR
Name: JUNE MECHAM
Address: 669 RIVER RD.
BLISS, ID 83314
2. Date of Priority: NOV 07, 1887
3. Source: STODDARD CREEK SPRINGS Trib. to: STODDARD SPRING CREEK
4. Point of Diversion:
- | Township | Range | Section | 1/4 of | 1/4 of | 1/4 of | Lot | County |
|----------|-------|---------|--------|--------|--------|-----|---------|
| 06S | 13E | 27 | NE | SW | NW | | GOODING |
5. Description of diverting works:
PIPELINE FROM SPRING
6. Water is used for the following purposes:
- | Purpose | From | To | C.F.S | (or) | A.F.A. |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|------|--------|
| IRRIGATION | 03/15 | 11/15 | 0.980 | | |
| STOCKWATER | 03/15 | 11/01 | 0.980 | | |
| STOCKWATER | 11/01 | 03/15 | 0.300 | | |
7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:
0.980 C.F.S. (and/or) A.F.A.
8. Total consumptive use is Acre Feet Per Annum.
9. Non-irrigation uses:
S/ 35 RANGE CATTLE

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Date: 05/19/89

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10. Place of Use:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of	1/4	Lot	Use	Acres
06S	13E	27	NW	SW	1	IRR	11.0
			NW	SW	1	STOCK	
			SW	SW	2	STOCK	
						Section Acres	11.0
						Total Acres	11.0

11. Place of use in counties: GOODING

12. Do you own the property listed above as place of use? YES

13. Other Water Rights Used:
NONE

14. Remarks:

PRIORITY GIVEN IN DECREE AS 1914.
DESCRIPTION OF P/U IN DECREE DOES NOT CLOSE; SEE FILE.
PRIORITY BASED ON DATE ON " LOCATION NOTICE OF WATER RIGHT"
DOCUMENT ATTACHED.
THE AMOUNT CLAIMED IS BASED ON 20.4% OF 4.80 CFS MEASURED
5/9/1985 BY USING A WEIR BY GEORGE LEMMON. THIS IS SLIGHTLY
MORE THAN AMOUNT APPROXIMATED TO BE 3.5 CFS IN THE HAMILTON
VS. STANDAL DECREE. THIS DELIVERY SYSTEM IS COMMON TO THREE
OTHER USERS WHO ALSO WERE DECREED WATER IN THE HAMILTON VS.
STANDAL DECREE. ALL WATER NOT DIVERTED FOR IRRIGATION, STOCK
OR DOMESTIC IS DIVERTED TO FISH POND AND HYDRO ELECTRIC SYSTEM
AND THENCE INTO SNAKE RIVER.

15. Basis of Claim: DECREED

Case Number:
Court :
Decree date: 11/15/1979

HAMILTON ET. AL.

Decree Plaintiff

vs

STANDAL

Decree Defendant

16. Signature(s)

(a.) By signing below, I/We acknowledge that I/We have received, read and understand the form entitled "How you will receive notice in the Snake River Basin Adjudication." (b.) I/We do _____ do not ☒ wish to receive and pay a small annual fee for monthly copies of the docket sheet.

Number of attachments: _____

For Individuals:

I/We do solemnly swear or affirm that the statements contained in the foregoing document are true and correct.

Signature of Claimant(s): James H. Micham Date: 5-19-89

Date: _____

State of Idaho)
County of TF) SS.

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this 19th day
of May 19 89 Lon White
Notary Public
Seal

Residing at TF
My Commission Expires 5/94

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_____ Date: _____

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of August 19 88

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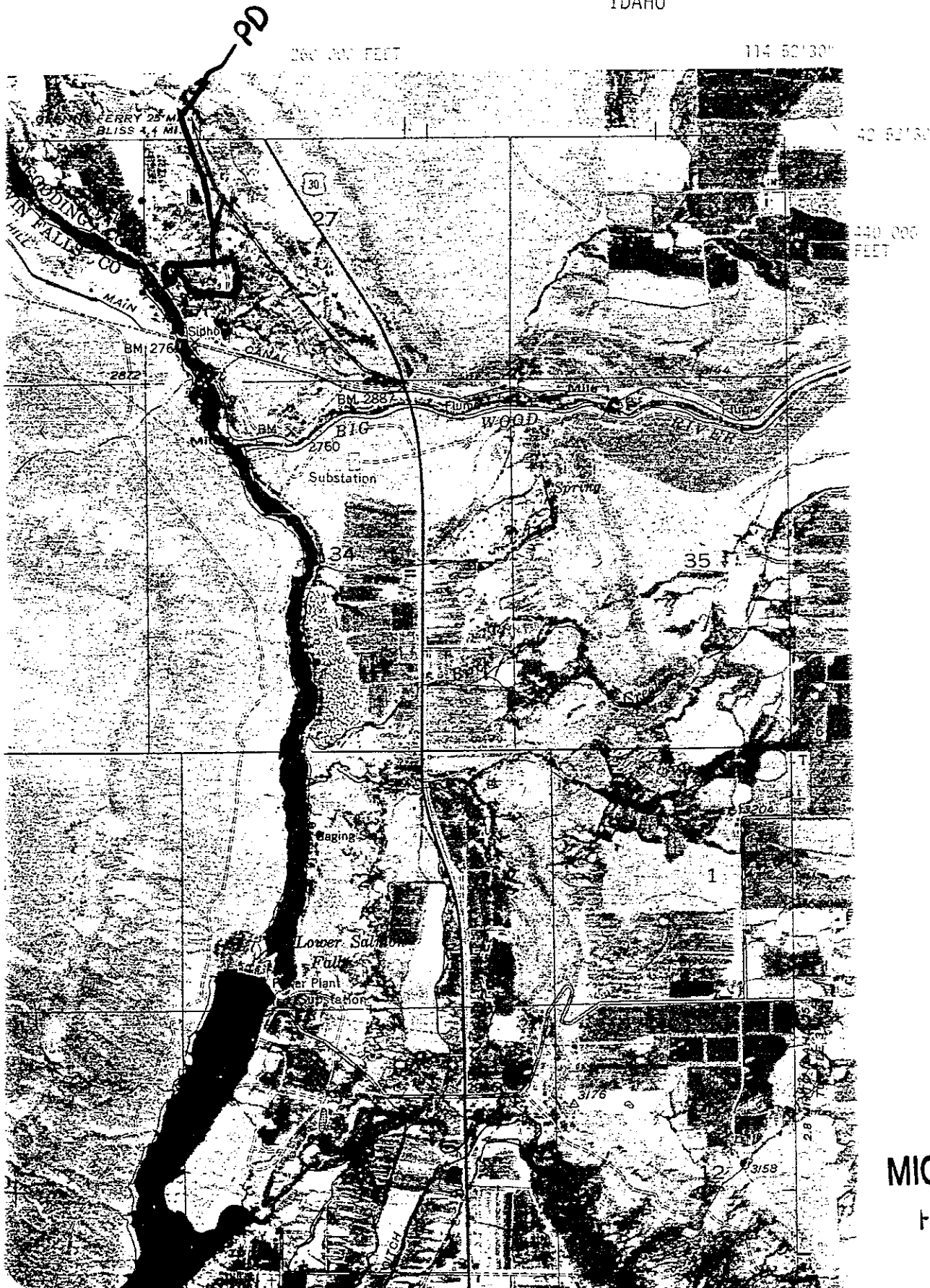
Residing at Buhl, Id

My Commission Expires 6-30-94

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