

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 the Rights to the Use of Water)
from the Snake River Basin)
Water System)
_____)

Case No. 36-07052 -0001

The State of Idaho, ex rel.)
R. Keith Higginson in his)
official capacity as Director)
of the Idaho Department of)
Water Resources,)

RESPONSE TO OBJECTION

Petitioner,)

vs.)

36-07052 -0001/
93-08-0321

The United States; the State)
of Idaho; and all Claimants to)
the use of water from the Snake)
River Basin Water System,)

Respondents.)
_____)

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Person responding to objection:

Name: R. KEITH HIGGINSON, DIRECTOR

Address: IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
P.O. BOX 44449
BOISE, ID 83711-4449

Briefly describe your interest in this water right:

IDWR is required to file a response to an objection to part
I of the director's report pursuant to I.C. section 42-1412(2).

(Over)

2. Person who filed objection:

Name: FRANK SUCHAN
Address: ROUTE 2 BOX 2472
PAUL ID 83347

3. If this response is filed by an attorney:

Attorney Name(s): NICHOLAS B. SPENCER

Attorney Address: DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL(S)
IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
P.O. BOX 44449
BOISE, ID 83711-4449

Attorney Phone No.: (208) 327-7900

II. STATEMENT OF THE RESPONSE

10. |X| Consumptive Use: I respond to the objection concerning the annual volume of consumptive use.

REASONS SUPPORTING EACH BOX CHECKED

In response to Statement of the Objection item 10 and all allegations of the objection regarding this item, IDWR responds as follows: The license upon which the claimant's claim is based does not set an annual volume of consumptive use for this water right. Idaho Code Sec. 42-1411(2)(i) requires the director to determine the annual volume of consumptive use for each water right acquired under state law and recommended in the director's report. IDWR has developed uniform standards of consumptive use for various climatic areas throughout the state, based upon the definition of consumptive use contained in Idaho Code Sec. 42-1401A(2), which is the maximum volume of water consumed by "the most water consumptive crop that can be grown in the area during the period of year when water is used for irrigation." The consumptive use recommended for this water right is based upon the maximum volume of water consumed by the most water consumptive crop (pasture) that can be grown in the area during the irrigation season. Idaho Code Sec. 42-1401A(2) provides that the quantification of consumptive use "is included as a

rebuttable presumption in a decree only for the purpose of transfers pursuant to section 42-222, Idaho Code." Therefore, the consumptive use recommended for this water right is included solely for use in future transfer proceedings, and not as a limitation on the quantity of water that the claimant may divert pursuant to this recommended right. As consumptive use volume and diversion volume are two different elements of the water right, the diversion volume cannot properly be substituted for the consumptive use volume of this recommended water right. In further response to this item, IDWR responds that it recommended a consumptive use volume of 3.0 AF per acre, the same per acre amount as was claimed.

CHANGES TO THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The director proposes no changes to the description of this claim in the Director's Report.

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Pages

Notice of Claim No. A36-07052

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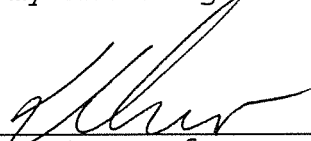
VERIFICATION (Must be Completed)

State of IDAHO

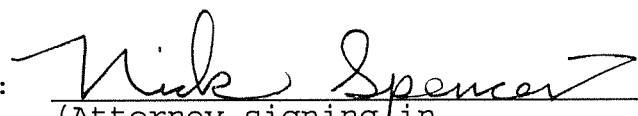
County of ADA

David B. Shaw, being first duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and says:

That R. Keith Higginson, in his official capacity as director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources, is a party to this proceeding, as defined by I.C. 42-1401A(1) and (7); that I am the Adjudication Bureau Chief for IDWR and am authorized by R. Keith Higginson, in his official capacity as director of IDWR, to verify this response; and that I have read the foregoing response, know its contents and that the statements contained therein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

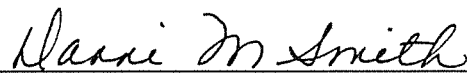


Signature of person filing response

By: 

(Attorney signing in
representative capacity)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of August,
1993.



Notary Public for Idaho
Residing at: _____
My Commission expires: _____

**Danni Smith, Notary Public
Residing at Boise, Idaho
My Commission Expires December 5, 1994**

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on the 16th day of AUGUST, 1993, I mailed the original and copies of the foregoing response, including all attachments, to the following persons, by mailing the original and/or true and correct copies, postage prepared and addressed as follows:

1. Original to:

Clerk of the District Court
Snake River Basin Adjudication
253 Third Avenue North
P.O. Box 2707
Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-2707

2. One copy to the owner of the water right, and you must fill in the following information:

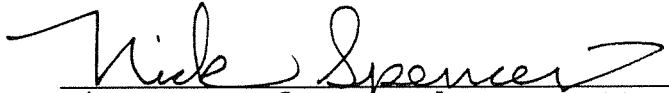
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3. One copy to the party who filed the objection, or if represented by an attorney, to their attorney; and you must fill in the following information:

Name: FRANK SUCHAN
Address: ROUTE 2 BOX 2472
PAUL ID 83347

4. One copy to:

United States Department of Justice
Environment and Natural Resource Division
550 West Fort Street, Box 33
Boise, Idaho 83734



Signature of Respondent or attorney
mailing on Respondent's behalf

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: A36-07052
Date Received: 9/21/1989
Receipt No: 5009272
Received By: AO

NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

1. Name: FRANK SUCHAN
Address: RT. 2 BOX 2472
PAUL, ID 83347
208-438-5084

2. Date of Priority: JAN 14, 1969

3. Source: GROUNDWATER Trib. to:

4. Point of Diversion:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of	1/4 of	1/4 of	Lot	County
08S	22E	16	NW	SW	SW		MINIDOKA

5. Description of diverting works:
WELL & PUMP

6. Water is used for the following purposes:

Purpose	From	To	C.F.S.	(or)	A.F.A.
IRRIGATION	04/01	10/31	6.580		

7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:
6.580 C.F.S. (and/or) A.F.A.

8. Total consumptive use is 1440.0 Acre Feet Per Annum.

9. Non-irrigation uses:
NONE

10. Place of Use:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of	1/4 of	Lot	Use	Acres
08S	22E	16	NE	SW		IRR	40.0
			NW	SW		IRR	40.0
			SW	SW		IRR	40.0

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MINIDOKA

10. Place of Use: Continued

Township	Range	Section	1/4	of	1/4	Lot	Use	Acres
08S	22E	16	SE		SW		IRR	40.0
			NE		SE		IRR	40.0
			NW		SE		IRR	40.0
			SW		SE		IRR	40.0
			SE		SE		IRR	40.0
							Section Acres	320.0
		17	NE		SE		IRR	40.0
			NW		SE		IRR	40.0
			SW		SE		IRR	40.0
			SE		SE		IRR	40.0
							Section Acres	160.0
							Total Acres	480.0

11. Place of use in counties: MINIDOKA

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

13. Other Water Rights Used:
PERMIT 36-7839

14. Remarks:

15. Basis of Claim: LICENSE

MICROFILMED
FEB 03 1993

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 X wish to receive and pay a small annual fee for monthly copies of the docket sheet.

Number of attachments: 1 M2P

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): Frank Suchan Date: 9-21-89

Date: _____

State of Idaho)
County of Therrell) SS.

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this 21st day
of Sept 19 89
[Signature]
Notary Public

Seal

Residing at Kimberly, Id.
My Commission Expires 6/30/92

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