

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. 36-15213 -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,)

36-15213 -0001/
93-08-0551

vs.)

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: WILLIAM G NEIBAUR
Address: RT 2 BOX 2530
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

8. ☒ Period of Year: I respond to the objection concerning the period of year when water is used or is necessary for the purpose stated.
10. ☒ 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 8, and all allegations of the objection regarding this item, IDWR responds as follows: This is a beneficial use right recommended pursuant to Idaho Code Sec. 42-1416(2) as an expansion of a licensed right. Idaho Code Sec. 42-1411(2)(g) requires the director to determine the period of use of each water right acquired under state law that is recommended in the director's report. IDWR's irrigation season of use standards have evolved over time as better technical information has become available. A necessary consequence of this is that, depending on when a particular license was issued, water rights in the same area have been licensed inconsistently, some licenses being issued with different lengths of season listed and some being issued with no season of use listed. To remedy this problem IDWR has developed

irrigation season of use standards for various climatic areas throughout the state based on a 75% chance of a 24 degree fahrenheit frost. The period of the year during which this water right may be used is consistent with the standard irrigation season of use for the area in which the place of use of this water right is located. The director's report does not prohibit pre-season or post-season irrigation; subject to the conditions set forth in general provision 12b of the director's report, water may be used for irrigation outside the standard season of use.

In response to Statement of the Objection item 10 and all allegations of the objection regarding this item, IDWR responds as follows: 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.

CHANGES TO THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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

☒ Check here if you are submitting documents. Please list each document by the title and number of pages. You may use additional pages if necessary:

(Over)

No. of
Pages

Notice of Claim No. A36-15213

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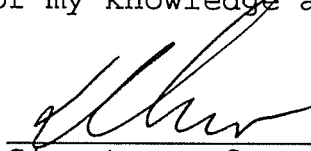
VERIFICATION (Must be Completed)

State of IDAHO

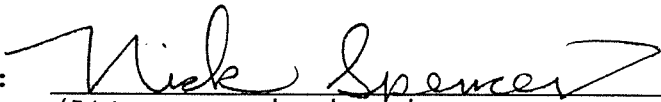
County of ADA

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

(Over)

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:

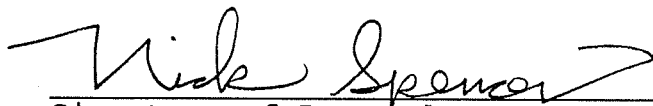
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3. One copy to the party who filed the objection, or if represented by an attorney, to their attorney; and you must fill in the following information:

Name: WILLIAM G NEIBAUR
Address: RT 2 BOX 2530
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 - ~~07590~~ 15213
Date Received 7-15-91
Receipt Number C021166

NOTICE OF CLAIM
TO A
WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

RECEIVED
JUL 16 1991
Department of Water Resources

Please type or print clearly

1. Name of Claimant (s) William G. Neibaur Phone (208) 438-2182

Mailing Address Rt 1 Box 1068 Paul, ID Zip 83347

2. Date of Priority (Only one (1) per claim) ~~Feb 30, 1974~~ Mar 15, 1980

3. Source of water supply (a) Groundwater
which is tributary to (b) _____

4. a. Location of existing point of diversion is: Township 07S Range 23E Section 27,
NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, Govt. Lot, _____ B.M., County of Minidoka

Additional points of diversion if any: _____

b. If instream flow, beginning point of claimed instream flow is:

Township _____ Range _____ Section _____, _____ 1/4 of _____ 1/4 of _____ 1/4,

Govt. Lot _____ B.M., County of _____

ending point is: Township _____ Range _____ Section _____, _____ 1/4 of _____ 1/4 of _____ 1/4,

Govt. Lot _____ B.M., County of _____

5. Description of existing diversion works (Dams, Reservoirs, Ditches, Wells, Pumps, Pipelines, Headgates, Etc),
including the dates of any changes or enlargements in use, the dimensions of the diversion works as
constructed and as enlarged and the depth of each well. Well, Pump, & Sprinklers

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6. Water is claimed for the following purposes:

(both dates are inclusive)

(cfs)

(acre feet)

For Irrigation purposes from 3/15 to 11/15 amount 4.0 or _____

For _____ purposes from _____ to _____ amount _____ or _____

For _____ purposes from _____ to _____ amount _____ or _____

For _____ purposes from _____ to _____ amount _____ or _____

7. Total quantity claimed (a) _____ (cfs) and/or (b) _____ (acre feet)

8. Total consumptive use claimed is _____ acre feet per annum.

9. Non-irrigation uses; describe fully (eg. Domestic: Give number of households served; Stockwater: Type and number of livestock Etc.) _____

10. Description of place of use:

a. If water is for irrigation, indicate acreage in each subdivision in the tabulation below.

b. If water is used for other purposes, place a symbol of use (example: D for Domestic) in the corresponding place of use below. See instructions for standard symbols.

TWP	RNG	SEC	NE 1/4				NW 1/4				SW 1/4				SE 1/4				Totals
			NE1/4	NW1/4	SW1/4	SE1/4	NE1/4	NW1/4	SW1/4	SE1/4	NE1/4	NW1/4	SW1/4	SE1/4	NE1/4	NW1/4	SW1/4	SE1/4	
7S	23E	27	38	39	40	39	39	36	39	40									310
					3			3	4										

Total number of acres irrigated 310

11. In which county (ies) are lands listed above as place of use located? Minidoka

12. Do you own the property listed above as place of use? Yes X No _____

If your answer is No, describe in Remarks below the authority you have to claim this water right.

13. Describe any other water rights used at the same place and for the same purposes as described above. _____ or None (X)

14. Remarks: This is an expansion of right A36-07490

Last Name Neibaur Ident No. A36-07490

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15. Basis of Claim (check one) Beneficial Use _____ Posted Notice _____ License X Permit _____
Decree _____
If applicable provide IDWR Water Right Number _____
Court _____ Case Number _____ Decree Date _____
Plaintiff vs 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 do solemnly swear or affirm that the statements contained in the foregoing document are true
and correct.

Signature of Claimant (s) William G. Neibaur Date 12 July 1991

Date _____

For Organizations: I do solemnly swear or affirm that I am _____ Title _____
of _____, that I have signed the foregoing
Organization
document in the space below as _____ of _____
Title Organization
and that the statements contained in the foregoing document are true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Agent _____

Title and Organization _____ Date _____

State of Idaho/or I. of Idaho)
County of Lincoln) SS.

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this 12 day of July 19 91

SEAL

Notary Public Renew A. Sanders

Residing at Lincoln County

My Commission Expires 11-20-93

Please Print Name

17. Notice of Appearance:

Notice is hereby given that I, _____ will be acting as attorney at law on behalf
of the claimant signing above, and that all notices required by law to be mailed by the director to the claimant signing above
should be mailed to me at the address listed below.

Signature _____

Address _____

Date _____

Last Name Neibaur Ident. Number A36-07490

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