

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 7/27/2002

FROM: Lori Graves 

TO: Fall Creek SRBA Claim Files

RE: Source and Diversion Clarification

Fall Creek is actually tributary to the Weiser River drainage but has been historically diverted and decreed to lands in the Little Weiser River drainage.

The original ditch was built in 1883 and is still in use. A second ditch was attempted in the early 1900's but failed.

Bob Whitman once owned the majority of land that Fall Creek water is decreed to. He hired Bill Thomas many years ago to clean, maintain and regulate the original Fall Creek diversion dam and ditch. At 77 years old, Bill is still at it. On 7/25/02 Bill agreed to show Mike Bishop and myself the Fall Creek diversion and ditch site. From Bill's house, we drove up N Fk Grays Creek to the end of the road in the NESE S35 T15N R1EW. This is the beginning of N Fk Grays Creek and the end of the original man-made ditch used to divert Fall Creek water. From there, we hiked up the man-made ditch to the actual P/D, which consisted of a 4' rock dam used to block the water from flowing naturally into the Weiser River drainage. Instead, the water is diverted into the Little Weiser River drainage via the man-made ditch and N Fk Grays Creek.

The location of the P/D (beginning of the ditch) and end of the ditch were captured with a Garmin GPS unit and downloaded onto the King Hill Creek Topo map (T-58). Based on the GPS results, the actual source should be described as an unnamed stream tributary to Fall Creek. The unnamed stream is diverted into the ditch in the SWSWNW S36 T15N R1E. The ditch flows into the drainage for N Fk Grays Creek in the NESE S35 T15N R1E. Mystery solved.



Basin	Sequence	Suffix	Basin	Priority Date	Rate (cfs)	Source	Water Use(s)	Owner(s)	Source In App ID
67	94		Decreed	1883-07-01	2.4	FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION	C & V HARRELL RANCH LLC (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	95		Decreed	1883-07-01	1.8	LITTLE FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION	WHITEMAN, ILENE C (Current); WHITEMAN, ROBERT W (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	97		Decreed	1899-05-01	0.8	FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION, STOCKWATER	GRAYS CREEK RANCH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	98		Decreed	1895-06-01	0.52	FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION	VANZANDT, STEPHEN C (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	99		Decreed	12/30/1907	1.48	FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION, STOCKWATER	GRAYS CREEK RANCH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	100 A		Decreed	12/30/1907	0.48	FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION	HOLMES, JOHN W (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	100 B		Decreed	12/30/1907	0.1	LITTLE FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION	THOMAS, ROBERT A L (Current); THOMAS, WILLIAM R (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	102 B		Decreed	1883-07-01	0.35	FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION, STOCKWATER	GRAYS CREEK RANCH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	2022 B		License	12/30/1907	3.98	FALL CREEK, LITTLE FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION, STOCKWATER	GRAYS CREEK RANCH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	4577		Statutory Claim	5/1/1940	0.2	FALL CREEK, UNNAMED STREAM, WEISER RIVER MIDDLE FORK	COMMERCIAL, FIRE PROTECTION, STOCKWATER	BOISE CASCADE CORP (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	12046		Beneficial Use	1883-06-01	0.03	FALL CREEK	STOCKWATER	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	12047		Beneficial Use	1883-06-01	0.03	FALL CREEK	STOCKWATER	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	12127		Beneficial Use	1883-06-01	0.03	FALL CREEK PONDS	STOCKWATER	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	14266		Decreed	1883-06-01	1.42	LITTLE FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION	W EUGENE FISHER FAMILY TRUST (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	14267		Decreed	1883-06-01	0.44	LITTLE FALL CREEK	IRRIGATION	DAVIS, KATHLEEN A (Current); DAVIS, LESLIE G (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim

Basin	Sequence	Suffix	Basis	Status	Priority Date	Rate (cfs)	Source	Water Use(s)	Owner(s)	Source Table
67	96 A		Decreed	Active	12/30/1907	0.58	GRAYS CREEK NORTH FORK	IRRIGATION	BOTT, EDWARD T BUZZ (Current); SINDEN, CAROL ANN (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	101		Decreed	Active	12/30/1907	1.25	GRAYS CREEK NORTH FORK	IRRIGATION	BOTT, EDWARD T BUZZ (Current); SINDEN, CAROL ANN (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	102 A		Decreed	Active	1883-07-01	0.35	GRAYS CREEK NORTH FORK	IRRIGATION	BOTT, EDWARD T BUZZ (Current); SINDEN, CAROL ANN (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	11774		Beneficial Use	Active	1883-07-01	0.88	GRAYS CREEK NORTH FORK	IRRIGATION, STOCKWATER	GRAYS CREEK RANCH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	12074		Beneficial Use	Active	1883-06-01	0.03	GRAYS CREEK NORTH FORK	STOCKWATER	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	12495		Beneficial Use	Active	1877-01-01	0.04	GRAYS CREEK NORTH FORK	STOCKWATER, WILDLIFE	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	14252		Decreed	Active	1884-06-01	1.97	GRAYS CREEK NORTH FORK	IRRIGATION	W EUGENE FISHER FAMILY TRUST (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim
67	14253		Decreed	Active	1884-06-01	0.53	GRAYS CREEK NORTH FORK	IRRIGATION	BANTA, ALLAN H (Current)	wrAdjudicationClaim



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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho 83705-5082 - (208) 334-2190
FAX (208) 334-2348

PHILIP E. BATT
GOVERNOR

KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

July 20, 1998

William R Thomas
Roberta L Thomas
2446 N Grays Creek Rd
Indian Valley ID 83632

Re: Notice of Claim To A Water Right: A67-00100B

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Thomas:

Enclosed is a copy of your **Amended** Notice of Claim To A Water Right you recently submitted. Changes have been made to the Points of Diversion, as you indicated.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, feel free to call this office at (208) 334-2190.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Denise Buffington".

Denise Buffington
Records Clerk
Adjudication Section
Western Region

DB:db

Enclosure



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Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho 83705-5082 - (208) 334-2190

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July 9, 1998

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DIRECTOR

ROBERTA L THOMAS
WILLIAM R THOMAS
2446 N GRAYS CREEK RD
INDIAN VALLEY ID 83632

RE: Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) claim no. A67-00100B

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Thomas:

Enclosed is a copy of the above-referenced claim. Based on our conversation today and your communications with the U.S. Forest Service, there may be some corrections to be made to the claim.

The first two pages describe the different elements of the claim. Item 4 describes the points of diversion of the delivery system. The information shown indicates that the water is diverted out of Little Fall Creek in the NWSESW of section 26, T15N, R01E. The water is ditched to the SENESW of section 28, where is put, or injected, into the North Fork of Grays Creek. This is what the "I" designation means. Finally, the water is rediverted out of the North Fork of Grays Creek in the NWSWNW of section 30. This is shown by the "R" designation.

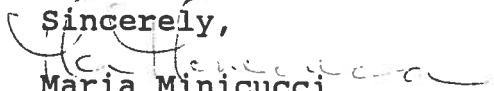
Pages three and four are copies of maps which were included with your claim. These maps show graphically what is explained above. The first ditch appears to travel from the SESW of section 26, through sections 35, 34, 27, and 28, all in T15N R1E. The second ditch, which comes off the North Fork of Grays Creek, starts in section 30, T15N R1E, and continues through section 25, T15N R1W, to your property.

Finally, the fifth page is a copy of an aerial photograph of T15N R1E sections 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36. This map is for your use to help you to make any corrections to the claim.

Please indicate any changes to the claim on the map as well as on the written portion of the claim (pages one and two), initial the changes, and add your notarized signature(s) on page two. Return the claim form and maps to this office. No additional fees are required.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,


Maria Minicucci

Enc: Claim and map as described



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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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September 5, 1996

KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

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WILLIAM R OR ROBERTA L THOMAS
2446 N GRAYS CREEK RD
INDIAN VALLEY ID 83632

Re: Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA)
Notices of Claim No. A67-00100B & A67-13978
Change of Address

Department of Water Resources

*A' Records Modified & R. Records.
so-9-9-96*

Dear Claimants,

IDWR has been notified the address presently in our claim records is incorrect. Although we have reached you at the address above, we need you to confirm this is your correct mailing address. Future notices related to your SRBA claims can be sent only to the address on your claim or as otherwise changed by you. The staff of this agency must avoid relying upon the word of others about your mailing address.

If the address above is correct, please sign your name at the bottom of this letter, and return it to this office. Otherwise, please make the proper corrections, sign, and return this letter. Thank you for your help. We hope to assure that you receive future notices about SRBA matters.

If the ownership of the property to which the water right referenced above apply has changed, please call this office toll-free at 1-800/451-4129 to obtain a form to make this required change to the claim record.

Sincerely,

Adjudication Bureau Staff

SO:ss:region

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The address is correct as shown above or as otherwise changed.

William R Thomas
Claimant Signature

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OCT 25 1996

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

In Re Snake River Basin Adjudication Case)
No. 39576)

Notice of Filing Director's Report and Supplemental
Director's Report Part II & III, United States' and Tribal
Non-consumptive Claims.

TO: ALL CLAIMANTS OF RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER IN THE SNAKE RIVER BASIN
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF THE FOLLOWING:

THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT PART II & III FOR THE UNITED STATES' AND TRIBAL NON-CONSUMPTIVE CLAIMS HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE DISTRICT COURT. A SUPPLEMENTAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT PART II & III HAS ALSO BEEN FILED WITH THE DISTRICT COURT. THIS NOTICE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS, AND DEADLINES AND FURTHER PROCEEDINGS ON THESE WATER RIGHT CLAIMS.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING YOUR WATER RIGHT

**THIS CONTAINS YOUR LEGAL NOTICE OF THE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS OF U.S. AND
TRIBAL NON-CONSUMPTIVE CLAIMS IN THE SNAKE RIVER BASIN ADJUDICATION
THESE CLAIMS COULD AFFECT YOUR WATER RIGHT**

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Department of Water Resources

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Correction
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Idaho Department of Water Resources

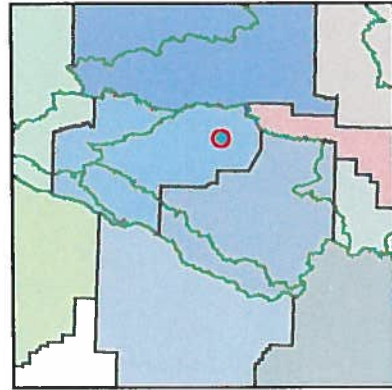
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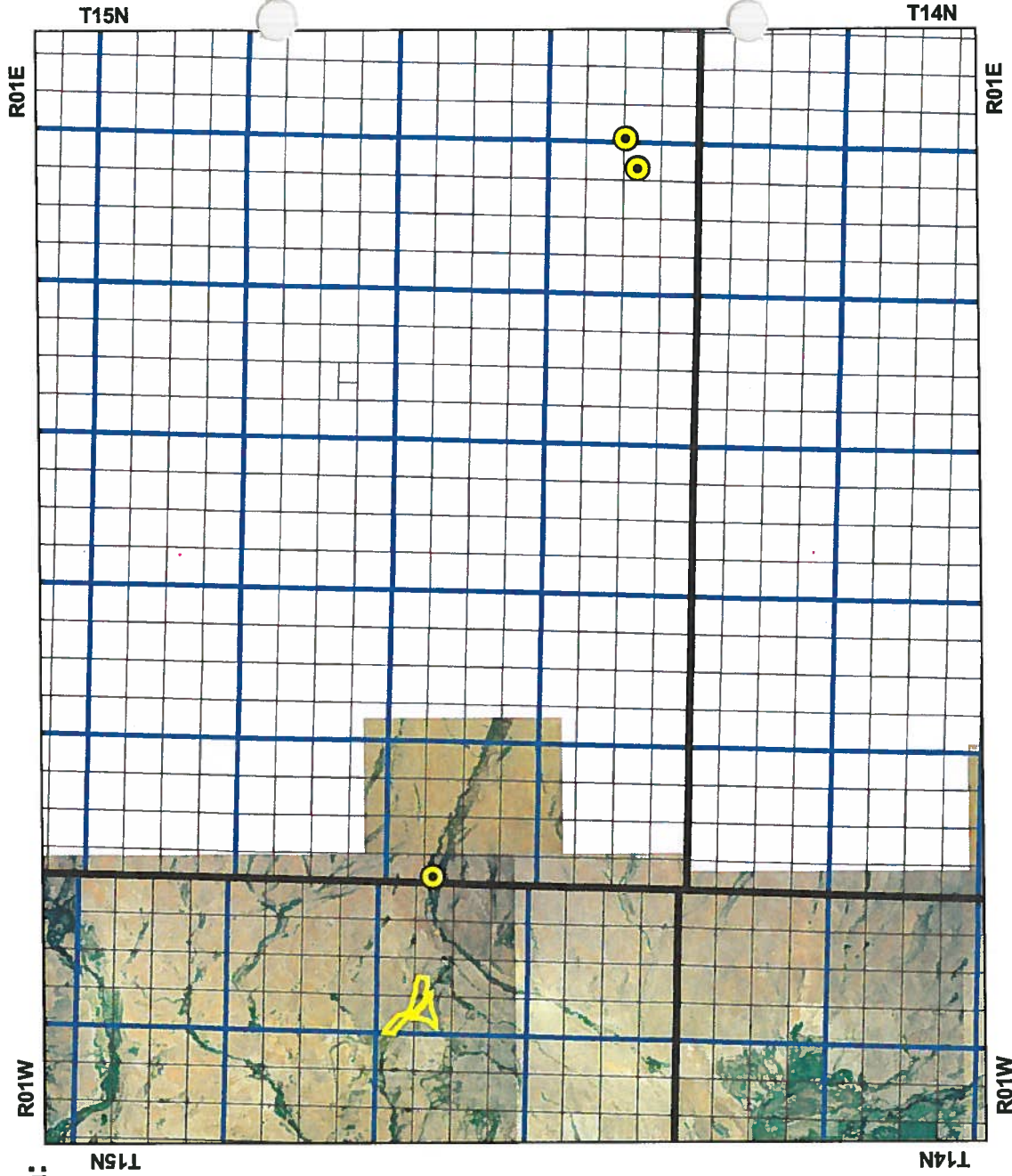
(Irrigation)

Legend

-  Point of Diversion
-  Place of Use
-  Townships
-  PLS Sections
-  Quarter Quarters



Adams County
IDWR Basin 67



Prepared by D. Narsavage
On Tuesday, August 15, 2006
1987/88 Aerial Photography

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