

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 37-20604
Date Received: 11/15/2001
Receipt No:
Received By:

**NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW**

1. Name of Claimant(s)

DONALD V BOECKER Phone: (301)475-1526
GAY S BOECKER
19610 TOWER HILL RD
LEONARDTOWN MD USA 20650-4619

2. Date of Priority: 05/23/1909

3. Source: SLAUGHTERHOUSE CREEK Trib. to: SINKS

4. Point of Diversion:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of 1/4 of 1/4 Lot	County	Type
02N	19E	20	NW NW	BLAINE	

5. Description of diverting works:

EARTHEN DAM AND POND

6. Water is used for the following purposes:

Purpose	From	To	C.F.S.	(or) A.F.A
IRRIGATION	04/01	11/01	0.03	
IRRIGATION STORAGE	01/01	12/31		18
IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE	04/01	11/01		18
STOCKWATER	01/01	12/31	0.02	

7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:
0.05 C.F.S. and/or 18 A.F.A.

8. Total consumptive use:

9. Non-irrigation uses:

10. Place of use:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of 1/4	Lot	Use	Acres
02N	19E	17	SW	SW	IRRIGATION	1
					Section Acres	1
02N	19E	20	NW	NW	IRRIGATION	1
			NW	NW	IRRIGATION STORAGE	
			NW	NW	IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE	
			NW	NW	STOCKWATER	

Section Acres 1

Total Acres 2

11. Place of use in counties: BLAINE

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

13. Other Water Rights Used:

14. Remarks:

PRIORITY DATE IS THE DATE OF THE ENGINEER REPORT FOR LICENSE 37-2156B WHICH DESCRIBES THE DAM AND POND.

The claim was amended on 8-14-2003 to change from wildlife storage to stockwater, irrigation and storage. KKC

15. Basis of Claim: Beneficial Use

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): Donald V. Boecker

Date: 8/14/03

Gay Scott Boecker

Date: 8/14/03

State of Idaho

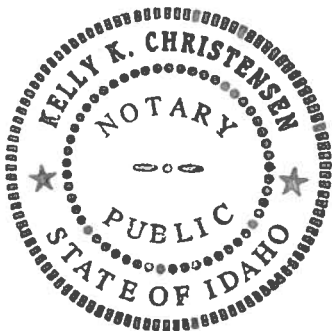
County of Twin Falls) SS.

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this 14th day of Aug 2003

Kelly K. Christensen
Notary Public

Residing at Twin Falls ID

My commission Expires 3-11-04



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2. Date of Priority: 05/23/1927

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WILDLIFE	01/01 12/31		18

7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:
18 A.F.A.

8. Total consumptive use:

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A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION
ATTORNEYS

JAMES P. SPECK
DOUGLAS J. AANESTAD

120 EAST AVENUE
P. O. BOX 987
KETCHUM, IDAHO 83340

TELEPHONE
(208) 726-4421
FAX (208) 726-0752

November 27, 2001

VIA FACSIMILE - 1-208-736-3037
NO ORIGINAL WILL FOLLOW

Doug Jones
Idaho Department of Water Resources
Southern Region
1341 South Fillmore
Suite 200
Twin Falls, ID 83301-3380

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NOV 28 2001

Department of Water Resources
Southern Region

Re: Don and Gay Boecker, SRBA Claim 37-20604
Our File No.: 010109

Dear Doug:

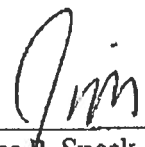
Following up on your telephone conversation with Jean, please be advised that the correct address for my clients, Don and Gay Boecker, is 19610 Tower Hill Road, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650-4619. Please correct your records to reflect this address.

Kindly call if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

SPECK & AANESTAD
A Professional Corporation

By: 
James P. Speck

JPS:jal

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Receipt No: 5024430
Received By: D.JONES

NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT
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1. Name of Claimant(s)

DONALD V BOECKER Phone: (301)475-1526

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LEONARDTOWN MD USA 20650-4619

GAY S BOECKER Phone: (301)475-1526

19610
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LEONARDTOWN MD USA 20650-4619

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WILDLIFE	01/01	12/31		18

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9. Non-irrigation uses:

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13. Other Water Rights Used:

14. Remarks:

PRIORITY DATE IS THE DATE OF THE ENGINEER REPORT FOR LICENSE 37-2156B WHICH DESCRIBES THE DAM AND POND.

15. Basis of Claim: Beneficial Use

Idaho Department of Water Resources Receipt

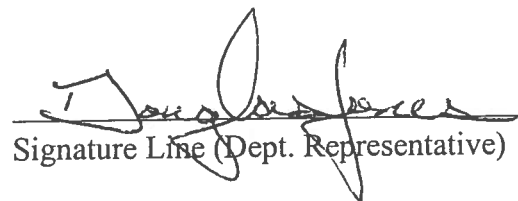
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Payment Amount Date Received Region Status
Payment Type Check Number

Payer
Comment

Fee Detail

Amount	Description	Fund	FD	PCA	SO
\$52.49	ADJUDICATION FILING FEE	0337	44503	1155	


Signature Line (Dept. Representative)

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NOV 15 2001

Department of Water Resources
Southern Region

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Receipt Number 5034430

NOTICE OF CLAIM
TO A
WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

1. Name of Claimant(s): Donald V. Boecker and Gay S. Boecker
Phone: 1-301-475-1526
Mailing Address: 10610 Tower Hill Road
Leonardtown, MD 20650-4619
2. Date of Priority: May 23, 1927
3. Source of water supply (a) Slaughterhouse Creek
which is tributary to (b) sinks
4. a. Location of point of diversion is:

<u>Township</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>¼</u>	<u>¼</u>	<u>¼</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>County</u>
2N	19E	20	SW	NW	NW		Blaine

Additional points of diversion if any:

5. Description of existing diversion works: Earthen dam and pond.

6. Water is claimed for following purposes:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Wildlife Habitat	January 1	December 31	18 AF

7. Total Quantity Claimed: 18 AF

8. Non-irrigation uses: Wildlife habitat

9. Place of use:

<u>TWN</u>	<u>RGE</u>	<u>SEC</u>	<u>NE</u>	<u>NW</u>	<u>SW</u>	<u>SE</u>	<u>NE</u>	<u>NW</u>	<u>SW</u>	<u>SE</u>	<u>NE</u>	<u>NW</u>	<u>SW</u>	<u>SE</u>	<u>NE</u>	<u>NW</u>	<u>SW</u>	<u>SE</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
2N	19E	20																	

TOTALS

10. Place of use is located in Blaine County.

11. Do you own the property listed above as place of use? Yes.

12. Describe any other water rights used at the same place and for the same purposes as described above?
None.

13. Remarks: Priority date is the date of the Engineer's Report for License 37-2156B which describes the dam and pond.

14. Basis of Claim: Beneficial use

IDWR Water Right Number:

Court:

Case Number:

Decree Date:

Plaintiff v. Defendant:

15. 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 not wish to receive and pay a small annual fee for monthly copies of the docket sheet. Number of attachments - three.

[For individuals] I do solemnly swear or affirm that the statements contained in the foregoing document are true and correct.

Signature of Claimant(s)

Donald V. Boecker

DONALD V. BOECKER

Date

09/04/01

Gay S. Boecker

GAY S. BOECKER

Date

09/04/01

State of Idaho)

) ss.

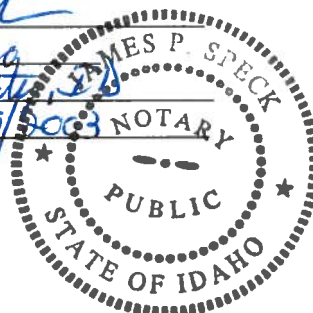
County of Blaine)

Subscribed and sworn before me this 4th day of September, 2001.

Notary Public for Idaho

Residing at Blaine County, ID

Commission Expires 1/29/2003



Last Name: Boecker

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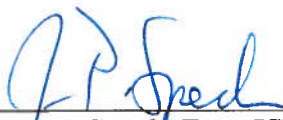
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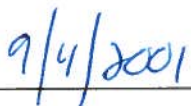
16. Notice of Appearance:

Notice is hereby given that I, James P. Speck, will be acting as attorney at law 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 the address listed below.

Signature: _____


James P. Speck, Esq., ISB # 2067
SPECK & AANESTAD
A Professional Corporation
120 East Avenue
P.O. Box 987
Ketchum, ID 83340
Telephone (208) 726-4421
Facsimile (208) 726-0752

Date: _____

, 2001.

Last Name: Boecker

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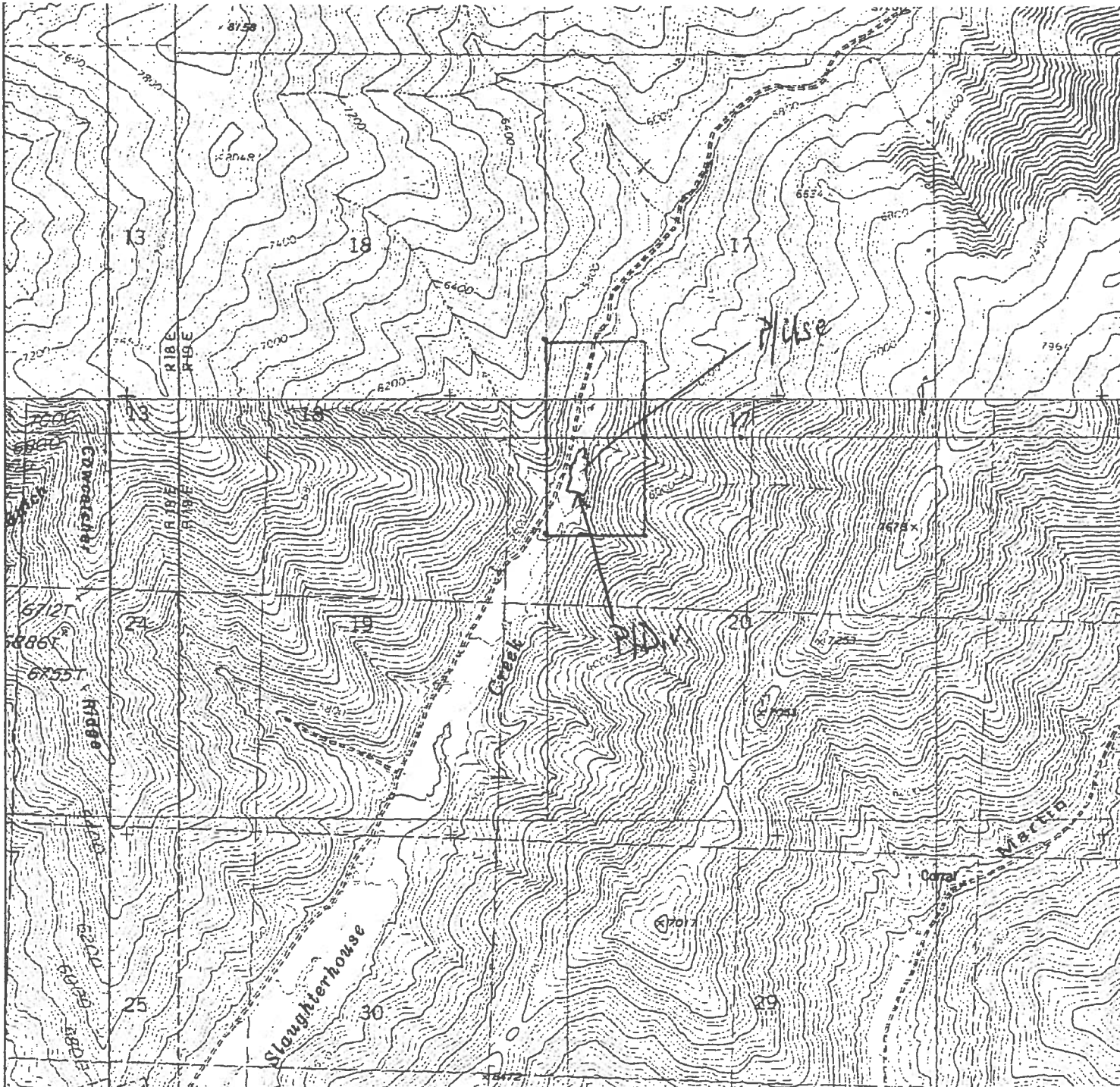
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MAP OF PROJECT

(Show clearly the point of diversion, place of use, section number, township and range number)

Scale: 2 inches equals 1 mile



Last Name: Boecker

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Southern Region

November 13, 2001

Mr. Allen Merritt
Idaho Department of Water Resources
1341 Fillmore, Suite 200
Twin Falls ID 83301

**Re: Donald V. and Gay S. Boecker - New SRBA Claim
Our File No.: 010109**

Dear Allen:

Enclosed you will find the original and a copy of a Notice of Claim for the right to store water in an instream pond along Slaughterhouse Creek in a canyon east of Bellevue, Idaho. I have also enclosed my check payable to the Department in the amount of \$52.49 representing the filing fee for this claim. The variable fee of \$2.49 was calculated by first determining the flow in cfs required to fill the 18 acre feet when that flow continues 24 hours a day, 365 days per year.

Finally, I have also included my firm's check payable to the Department for the \$50 late fee. However, my clients respectfully request this fee be waived, since they just purchased the property in the year 2000 and were only recently able to complete research of potential water rights for that property. If the Department concurs in this request, please return that \$50 check to me together with the copy of the Notice of Claim receipt date stamped by the Department. I have enclosed a postage prepaid self-addressed envelope for that purpose.

Please call me right away if you have any questions about this filing. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

SPECK & AANESTAD
A Professional Corporation

By: 

James P. Speck

JPS:jal
Enclosure
cc: Clients (w/encls.)
John Gaeddert (w/encls.)

01/06/2007

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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

NOTICE OF ERROR
REPLY

Please type or print clearly, fill out this form completely and mail.

Return this reply form to IDWR by the deadline date printed below if you want IDWR to change your recommendation or you want to let IDWR know that you agree with its recommendation.

YOUR DEADLINE FOR RETURNING A NOTICE OF ERROR REPLY IS: 01/19/2007

Water right number: 37-20604

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19610 TOWER HILL RD
LEONARDTOWN MD 20650-4619
Telephone Number: (301)475-1526

GAY S BOECKER
19610 TOWER HILL RD
LEONARDTOWN MD 20650-4619
Telephone Number: (301)475-1526

1. Describe the portion of the proposed recommendation with which you disagree (e.g. priority date, period of use, source):
2. Describe the changes you wish to make in the proposed recommendation:
3. Give a brief explanation as to why you disagree with these portions:

☒ I AGREE with this proposed recommendation: no changes need to be made.

DATE:

1/15/07

SIGNATURE:

Donald Vaux Boecker

Please print your name:

GAY SCOTT BOECKER
DONALD VAUX BOECKER
GAY SCOTT BOECKER

IDWR Regional Office, 322 E Front St
PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0098, 2082874800

SCANNED
JAN 23 2007

01/26/2007

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

RIGHT NUMBER: 37-20604

NAME AND ADDRESS: DONALD V BOECKER
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GAY S BOECKER
19610 TOWER HILL RD
LEONARDTOWN MD 20650-4619

SOURCE: SLAUGHTERHOUSE CREEK

TRIBUTARY: SINKS

QUANTITY: 0.050 CFS
18.000 AFY

PRIORITY DATE: 05/23/1909

POINT OF DIVERSION:

T02N R19E S20 SWNWNW Within BLAINE County

PURPOSE AND
PERIOD OF USE:

<u>PURPOSE OF USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
STOCKWATER	01/01 12/31	0.020 CFS
IRRIGATION	04/15 10/31	0.030 CFS
IRRIGATION STORAGE	01/01 12/31	18.00 AFY
IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE	04/01 11/01	18.00 AFY

PLACE OF USE:

IRRIGATION in BLAINE County

T02N R19E S20 NWNW 2.00

IRRIGATION STORAGE in BLAINE County

T02N R19E S20 NWNW

IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE in BLAINE County

T02N R19E S20 NWNW 2.00

STOCKWATER in BLAINE County

T02N R19E S20 NWNW

2 ACRES TOTAL

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.

EXPLANATORY MATERIAL: BASIS OF CLAIM - Beneficial Use



Idaho Department of Water Resources

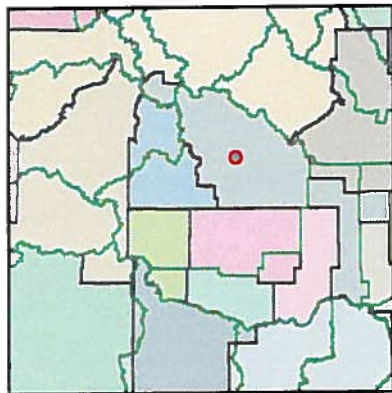
SRBA Recommendation:

37-20604

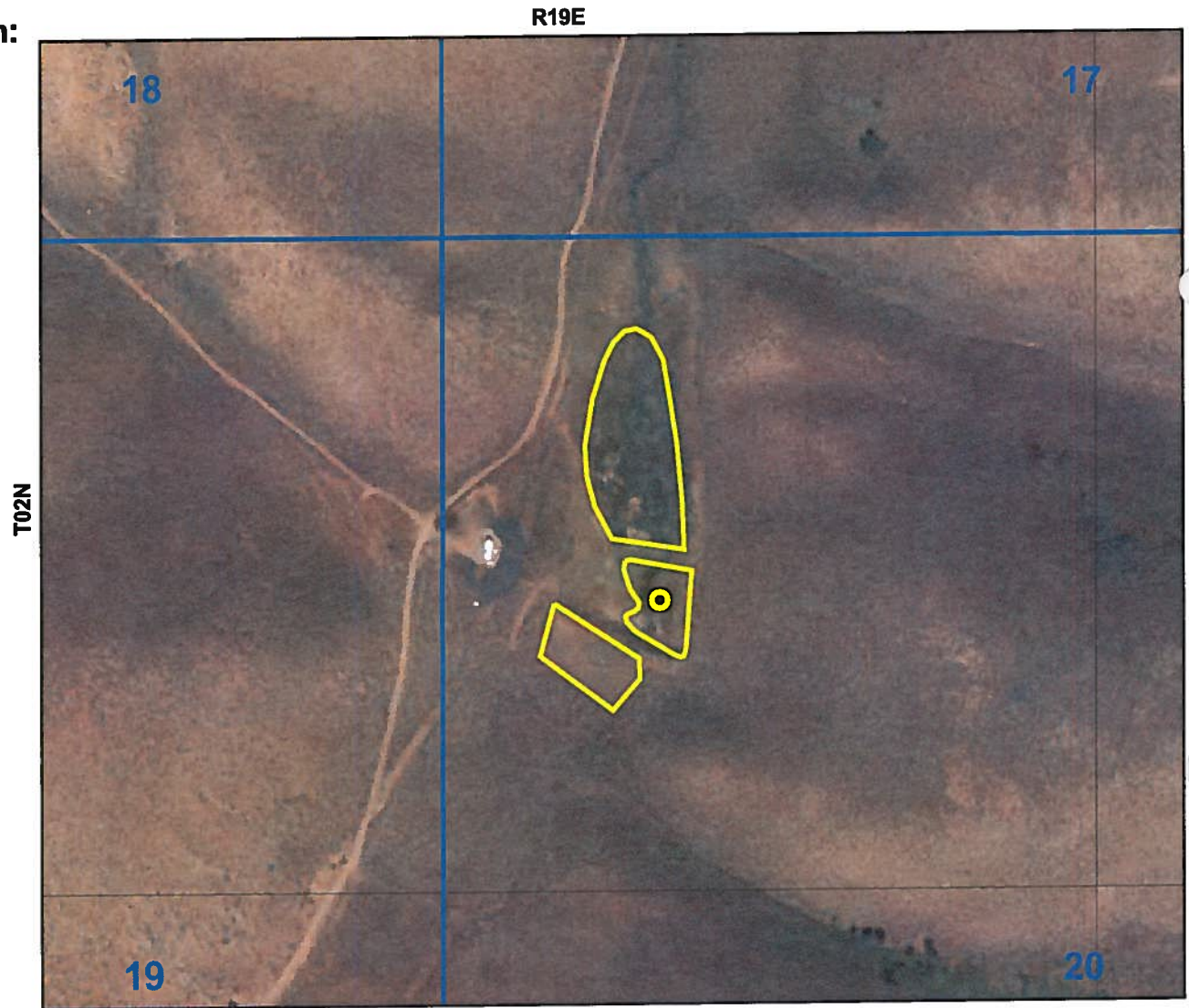
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Legend

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



Blaine County
IDWR Basin 37



0 0.1 0.2 Miles

Prepared by M. Anders
On Friday, January 26, 2007
2004 Aerial Photography

Sketch
by
Kelly C.

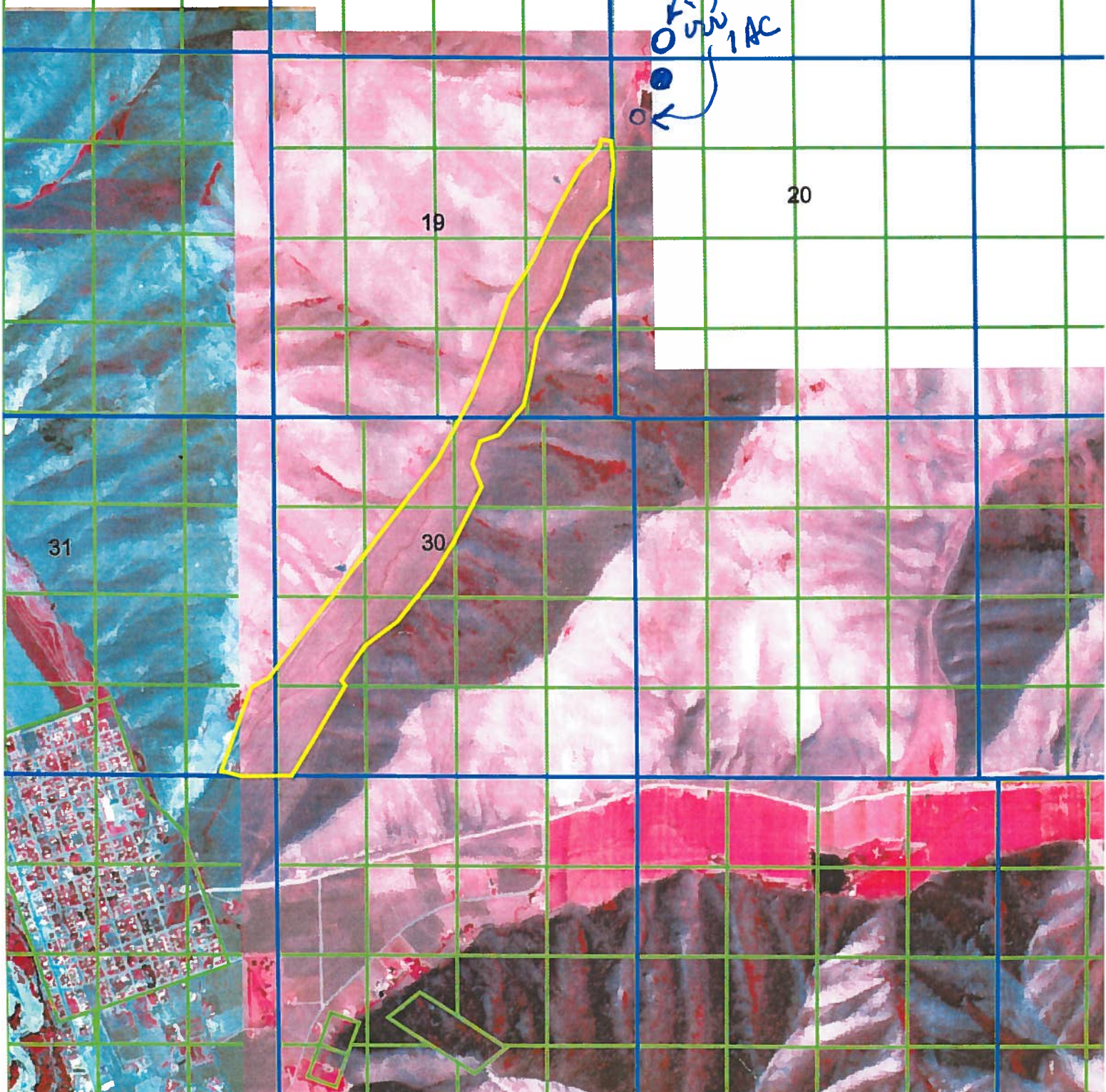
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Department of
Southern

Dear Corey,
Here are copies for your files
of the excavation work we had
done on the overflow channel to
the reservoir pond on our property
in Slaughterhouse Gulch. Don
saw to it that the excavator followed
your instructions regarding bringing
the depth and slope of the channel
in compliance.

Larry Gregory looked at the
work and thinks it will satisfy
your requirements. He is helping
us with a grant from Fish and Game
to make this project a successful
Habitat Improvement Project.

We were delighted with the
one-acre excavation work which
took about three feet of silt out
of the dry lakebed. We are hoping
the clay base of the soil that was
under the silt will now hold the
water from the creek. John Freitag
and Larry Blau have other photos to
show you of the lake/reservoir.
Please come to see us to check on
our progress. We'll be back by the
end of May and would love a
longer visit with you:
Sincerely, Jay & Don
Boecker
winter phone - (301) 475-1526

"Spirit - Woman Ranch"
 Slaughterhouse Gulch
 after excavation
 early September 2003
 Don and Gay Becker

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flow channel, looking south
 Howard Bellevue
 reservoir excavation project
 "Spirit - Woman Ranch"
 Slaughterhouse Creek
 Don and Gay Becker

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 Southern Region



Anders, Matthew

From: Christensen, Kelly
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2006 1:29 PM
To: Smith, Danni
Cc: Anders, Matthew
Subject: recommendation for 37-1226 37-12241 and 37-20604

Danni, here is some comments for the three rights listed above that might help the reviewer. I am not sure where the files are today but Matt Anders had touched them at one time.

Conservative recommendation for 37-1226 and 37-12241 should be **disallow**. Existing issue is whether forfeiture can be found or not. Argument is that it hasn't been used for 30 to 40 years but the water was not always available for many of the years. The ditches are basically gone.

37-20604 recommend as valid. Active use exists.

Kelly K Christensen.

Jones, Doug

From: Jim Speck [jimspeck@cox-internet.com]
Sent: Saturday, June 04, 2005 10:03 AM
To: 'Mr. Doug Jones'
Cc: 'Don & Gay Boecker'
Subject: Re: Boecker/Slaughterhouse - Priority Evidence for 37-20604

Doug,

When you get a chance would you please review the claim files to see if you already have sufficient evidence of priority for these claims? If not, let me know and I will work on it after June 20 when I return to the office. In the meantime you can reach me by e-mail. Thanks again for your cooperation.

Jim

James P. Speck
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hearing from you. If you need
for us to come to meet with
you, we can. Of course, we would
love to see you here for a
visit. As our grasses grow
drier by the day, we realize how
important water rights are to us
here in Slaughterhouse Gulch.

Until mid September we will
be here on the property 3 miles
out the Canyon, by the old
reservoir. Feel free to call us,
e-mail us, or write to us.

Thanks for your
understanding,
Jay and Don
Boecker

(208) 720-7285
dvboecker@earthlink.net

"Spirit - Women Ranch"
Slaughterhouse Gulch
In care of
General Delivery
Belleme,
ID 83313

7-23-05

Dear Kelly,

About two years ago we visited
your office and amended our water
rights application. Don and I told
Jim Speck that we would represent
ourselves from then on. We could
not afford to continue to pay his
fees. He was very nice about it
and for two years has not taken
an active role in our case.

We sent me several e-mails in
June, to our surprise. He had
requested an update from you on
the status of our application, without
our knowing him. and he sent us
a bill for reading your e-mail to
him.

I have written Attorney Speck,
thanking him for his gracious
interest in continuing to follow
up on our case, but that we
can no longer pay his bills that
are so large. We pay once our case
and have told him unless we
ourselves, at least to turn to him
for help. He has been very thoughtful
to us, and we appreciate his interest.
Please deal directly with us on
our water rights application. We
are hoping that you will be
able to issue a ruling in our
favor and we look forward to

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Overflow channel, looking south
Howard Bellevue
reservoir excavation project
"Spirit - Woman Ranch"
Slaughterhouse Creek
Don and Jay Boecker

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OCT 20 2003

Department of Water Resources
Southern Region

Overflow channel, looking south
"Spirit - Woman Ranch"
Slaughterhouse Gulch
after excavation
early September 2003
Don and Jay Boecker

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Department of Water
Southern Region



State of Idaho

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

1341 Fillmore Street, Suite 200, Twin Falls ID 83301-3380

Phone: (208) 736-3033 FAX: (208) 736-3037

SOUTHERN REGION

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
Governor

KARL J. DREHER
Director

April 15, 2005

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Re: Evidence of Priority

RESPONSE DEADLINE
JUNE 17, 2005

Dear Claimant:

The Notice of Claim identified with the number shown above your name on the mailing label has been filed in the Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA). The Notice indicates your water usage is based on "Beneficial Use" or a "Statutory Claim." Water rights of this type are established by the historical use of water, dating back to when water was first used for the purpose claimed. The date of first use, known as the priority date, has not been confirmed by a License, Decree or Permit. The Department will, in the coming year, conduct reviews and/or field exams for the claims in your area. Since the priority date of a beneficial use water right cannot be confirmed by field examination, **proof must be provided by the claimant** supporting the priority date claimed.

If you no longer own the property to which the claim is appurtenant please forward this correspondence to the present owner, or return it to the Department. If you have received this correspondence from the previous owner of the property it is required that you file a Change of Ownership form with the Department in order to receive future mailings and to continue to be a party in the adjudication.

Enclosed you will find a computer printout of your Notice of Claim and the pamphlet entitled "Evidence of Priority." The pamphlet describes the types of evidence required and suggests which documents will fulfill this requirement.

PLEASE NOTE: The Department will not recommend the court decree the notice **as claimed** if no evidence of a priority date is submitted – it may be disallowed. It will be to your advantage to provide clear and convincing evidence. If you choose to submit statements from individuals as evidence, the statement does **not** need to be in the form of a notarized affidavit as described in the brochure, but must relate first hand knowledge of the water right in question and include dates, quantities of water and extent of water use.

Submit the required evidence supporting the priority date by the date shown above, referencing all documents with the corresponding Notice of Claim number (i.e. 37-____). If you have questions not covered by this letter or the enclosed pamphlet, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Douglas Jones, R.E.
Water Rights Supervisor

Enclosures