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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

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DEPARTMENT OF  
WATER RESOURCES

A. Subcase 92-10452

In Re CSRBA )  
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Case No. 49576 )  
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STANDARD FORM 1 OBJECTION

B. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON OBJECTING

COEUR D'ALENE TRIBE of the COEUR D'ALENE INDIAN RESERVATION, 850 A Street, P.O.  
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C. CLAIMANT OF WATER RIGHT AS LISTED IN DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dale Reiger and Mark Reiger, 4227 Bayside Ln, Greenbank, WA 98253

Name & Address of Attorney:

D. The Tribe objects to the following elements or general provision as recommended in the Director's Report.

1. ☐ **Name and Address**

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

2. ☐ **Source**

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

3. ☐ **Quantity**

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

4. ☒ **Priority Date**

Should be: The date that reflects when water was actually diverted and put to a beneficial use

5. ☐ **Point of Diversion**

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

6. ☐ **Instream Flow Beginning and Ending Point**

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

7. ☐ **Purpose(s) of Use**

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

8. ☐ **Period of Year**

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

9. ☐ **Place of Use**

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

10. ☐ **General Provision**      ☐ Individual Water Right      ☐ All Water Rights

☐ Should not be recommended.

☐ This general provision was not recommended but should be recommended as described below.

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ General provision was recommended but should be modified as described below.

Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

11. ☐ I object because the recommendation contains an accomplished transfer under Idaho Code § 42-1425 resulting in injury to my water right(s) and/or enlargement of the original right.

12. ☐ I object because:

☐ This water right should not exist.

☐ This water right was not recommended, but should be recommended with the elements described above.

#### **E. REASONS SUPPORTING OBJECTIONS:**

Idaho law requires that a claimant's priority date "must be based upon evidence, not speculation. If a water right is based upon the constitutional method, 'one of the essential requisites to establish his claim is the application of water to a beneficial use, and, where there is a total lack of evidence upon this point, a decree awarding water to the claimant cannot be sustained.'" *City of Pocatello v. Idaho*, 152 Idaho 830, 841 (2012) (quoting *Reno v. Richards*, 32 Idaho 1, 8 (1918)). The claimant in this case has provided no evidence beyond their claim form as evidence of their priority date. To sustain this evidence and decree a priority date based upon such dubious evidence would "give them a date of priority in advance of the actual application of the water to a beneficial use of which there is any *definite evidence . . .*" *Reno*, 32 Idaho at 8.

Exhibit A, attached, contains a list of claim numbers that the Tribe has also objected to that implicate the same issues raised in this objection.

#### **F. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I certify that on May 6, 2015, I mailed the original and copies of this objection, including all attachments, to the following persons:

1. Original to: Clerk of the District Court  
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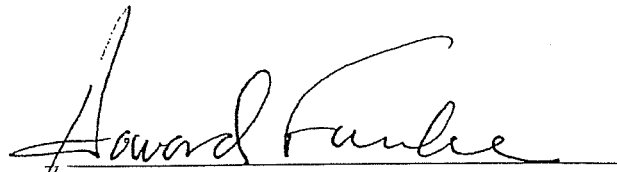
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Environmental & Nat'l Resources Div  
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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Howard Funder", written over a horizontal line.

Signature of Objector or attorney  
mailing on Objector's behalf

**EXHIBIT A**  
**LIST OF SUBCASE NOS.**

**Box 4: Priority Date**

92-4008  
92-10093  
92-10134  
92-10482  
92-10483  
92-10549  
92-10554  
92-10905  
92-10972  
92-10377  
92-10452  
92-10622  
92-10642  
92-10694