

Saxton, Craig

From: Saxton, Craig
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 9:21 AM
To: 'Chris Keller'
Subject: RE: Water Right Number 94-8354 questions

Nope. Just make sure to let us know if you have an address change.

The next mailing you will receive will be the Director's Report which will show you what was recommended to the court (which is what I just sent you). With that mailing you will get the instructions on how to object to your recommendation, or anyone else's recommendation that you might feel was recommended incorrectly.

We anticipate the Director's Report being filed in November or December 2015.

Thanks,
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From: Chris Keller [mailto:ckeller@haskellcorp.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 9:15 AM
To: Saxton, Craig
Subject: RE: Water Right Number 94-8354 questions

Craig,

No problem on the diversion rate. We can live with that. Is there anything else I need to do?

Thanks,

Chris Keller

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From: Saxton, Craig [mailto:Craig.Saxton@idwr.idaho.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 7:29 AM
To: Chris Keller <ckeller@haskellcorp.com>
Subject: RE: Water Right Number 94-8354 questions

Chris,

I got your amended claim and updated the claim record as well as the recommendation with the year round season of use (1/1 – 12/31). I have attached a copy of the updated preliminary recommendation with the year round season of use.

You will note that I wasn't able to change the diversion rate to 0.11 cfs (50 gallons per minute). As I mentioned in one of my first e-mails, I need something to support that your system diverts 0.11 cfs. I didn't see any additional information sent with the amended claim and Notice of Error report. If you knew the pump horse power and dept to water, we could do a theoretical calculation. Your well is old enough that I don't see the well log in IDWR's records. If you perhaps replaced the pump and had the pump receipt that would give us some information, I might be able to do a theoretical using the average well dept of surrounding wells that we do have well logs for. I just need something.

As it sits right now, I do not feel that I have enough evidence to defend changing the recommended diversion rate from 0.04 cfs to 0.11 cfs.

That said, you will have the opportunity to formally object to the recommendation and be heard by the court. This initial mailing you received, was sent so we could work through errors or issues easily without going through the court. Like working out the Season of Use issue. But if we end up having to agree to disagree on items such as the diversion rate, when IDWR sends its final recommendations to the Court (Director's Report) you can file an objection and present evidence supporting the 0.11 cfs at that time.

Feel free to call if you want to talk it through.
Thanks,

Craig L. Saxton
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From: Saxton, Craig
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2015 2:54 PM
To: 'Chris Keller'
Subject: RE: Water Right Number 94-8354 questions

Great. As far as the meter. No. We won't be installing a meter and it isn't a requirement of your water right. You won't have any yearly fees or anything like that.

You would only need a meter if you were included in a water measurement district, and I don't anticipate that happening in your area for a long time...if ever. And even if it did, they wouldn't meter domestic use.

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From: Chris Keller [<mailto:ckeller@haskellcorp.com>]
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2015 1:43 PM
To: Saxton, Craig
Subject: RE: Water Right Number 94-8354 questions

Hi Craig,

Thanks for the prompt reply with answers.

I will sign and return the amended claim – big thanks for fixing that for me.

Will there be a meter installed on our water system or some other measurement of use?

Thanks,

Chris Keller

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From: Saxton, Craig [<mailto:Craig.Saxton@idwr.idaho.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2015 11:39 AM
To: Chris Keller <ckeller@haskellcorp.com>
Subject: RE: Water Right Number 94-8354 questions

Hello Mr. Keller,

Thanks for responding to the mailing. I will try to answer your questions in the body of your original e-mail. If you want to talk it through, you can call me directly at 208.287.4916.

Thanks,

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From: Chris Keller [<mailto:ckeller@haskellcorp.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2015 6:08 PM
To: IDWRInfo
Subject: Water Right Number 94-8354 questions

Hello,

I'm curious as to the drop in the CFS from .11 CFS to .04 CFS from the original recommendation for water right number 94-8354. The diversion rate of 0.04 cfs is the "standard" diversion rate required for a single family domestic use. This can be converted to 18 gallons per minute. The guidance comes from IDWR administrative memos 2 and 22, which I can provide you if you are interested. That said, your water right should reflect the actual use. If you divert 0.11 cfs for domestic purposes then that is what we want to represent on your water right. I assume you came up with 0.11 cfs on your claim for a reason. Do you have records or something to show that you divert more than the standard 0.04 cfs. In order for me to change the recommendation, I just need something that supports that your system diverts that greater rate.

Also I'm looking for information on the dates for beneficial use from 5/01 – 10/31. This home is may not only be occupied during those months.

Is the limit on domestic water applicable from 11/1 – 4/30?

We are allowed to use water from 11/1 – 4/30 for showers, cooking, etc. correct?

Your water right was recommended with the 5/01 – 10/31 because that was what was claimed. And ...technically, you wouldn't be allowed to divert water outside of that season of use. That said, all we would need to do to change that season of use to year round, would be to have you amend your claim to claim a year round season of use.

I took the liberty of preparing an amended claim. If you want to pursue the year round season of use, go ahead and look it over, initial any additional changes you wish to make, then sign it and mail it into me with that envelope that was enclosed in the information packet you were sent with the preliminary recommendation. Fill out the Notice of Error sheet and explain your reason for amending the season of use, and we will get that changed for you.

What would this do should I decide to subdivide my property? Would the new structure share in the same water rights or have to apply for new water rights? If you subdivide and add a new home, the new home could use the well, but they would need their own water right. A new use is a new water right. So if you sold and the buyer built a new house in 2016 and they either tapped into your well or drilled their own well, they would be developing a 2016 water right. This won't affect your water right. It isn't uncommon to have multiple water rights diverted from the same well.

Any answers would be great. This home has been in the family for 50 years now. When it was first built in 1965 it was quite a feat to get there in the winter now it's not so difficult so has and may get used more from 11/1 – 4/30.

If it's better that I call with questions, please let me know and I will be happy to do so.

Respectfully,

Chris Keller

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