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September 29, 2015

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RE: Coeur d'Alene-Spokane River Basin Adjudication (CSRBA)
Notice of Claims 91-7114 and 91-7115

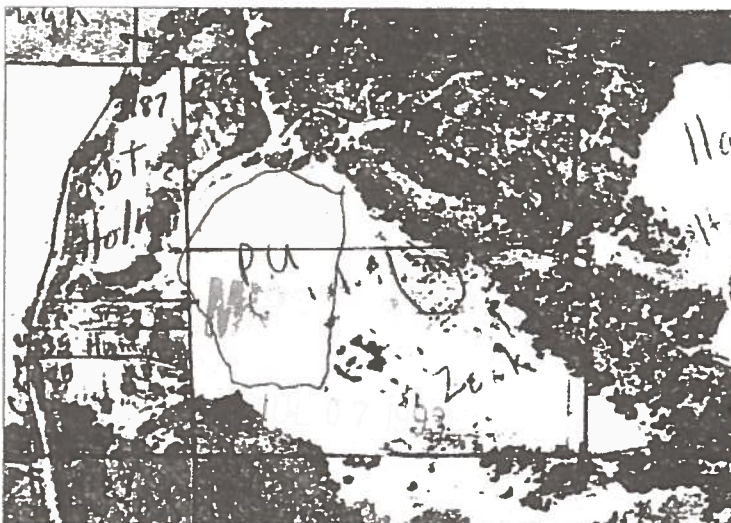
Dear Mr. and Ms. Weber,

On September 16, 2015, the CSRBA court granted your motion to file late notices of claim 91-7114 and 91-7115. A preliminary review of both claims has resulted in some questions. Primarily, I was hoping you could help clarify the irrigated place of use from both the pond (91-7114) and the well (91-7115).

I thought we would actually start with 91-7115 (well):

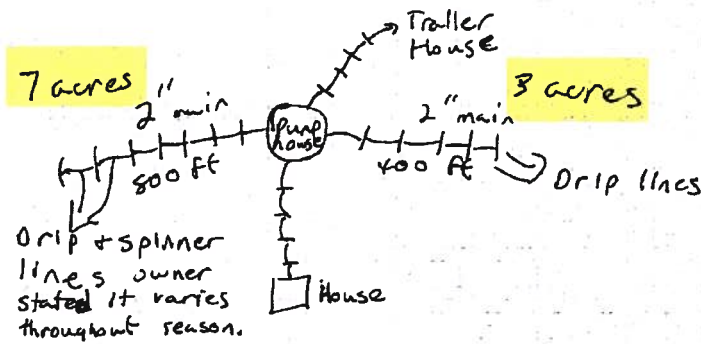
91-7115 (Well):

License 91-7115 was licensed for 10 acres of irrigation. The maps in the licensing field exam aren't great, but it looks like they found about 7 acres of irrigation on roughly the west side of the home and about 3 acres of irrigation on the east side of the home:



C. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

1. Diversion System Diagram: Indicate all major components and distances between components. Indicate weir size/ditch size/pipe i.d. as applicable. ☐ Alternative diagram attached



I then looked at the 1998 aerial photography of the property and it looks like the irrigated fields on the west side of the property extended into the lot above you on property currently owned by Harvey Hansen:



It appears that the irrigation has changed since the license was issued in 1993. However, it does look like a portion of license 91-7115, at least historically, wasn't applicable to the parcel you own now.

Question 1: Is the well still used to irrigate ground on the Hansen parcel?

No; when the property was sold by Zock to the Seins, it was surveyed, fenced and no further irrigation occurred there. The two outlined RED areas are the ones we are seeking rights to water.

If not, was the water moved to irrigate different land? If yes, do you know when this change took place?

Not as far as I can tell. The irrigation system was torn up ^{before} we purchased the place and we are trying to salvage longer 2" lines and vertical sprinklers for use but were waiting for water rights before spending the money.

Map 1: I have attached a map. Please draw the boundary around the area that is irrigated from the well on the attached map. Please include ground that is irrigated but might fall outside of the green parcel boundaries on the enclosed map. I am just trying to get an overall picture of how the water is used today.

Please just draw in the delivery system on the map as well. This could include the well location, main lines that carry water to specific fields, drip lines, sprinkler lines, etc. The intent is to give me an idea of how the water gets from the well to the place it is being used.

In addition to the garden hose sprinklers, we have a dozen 55 gallon barrels to fill and place in orchard areas daily.

When complete, please submit the map with any information you have related to **Question 1** to me in the enclosed postage paid envelope. You can answer the questions on this letter and just send it back to me, or you can use a separate sheet. You can e-mail me the information too at craig.saxton@idwr.idaho.gov

91-7114 (Pond/Spring):

License 91-7114 authorizes storage of water in the pond for wildlife use and to irrigate up to 2 acres of irrigation. The licensing field exam says that the pond water is back up irrigation water in case the well ever failed. The specific two acres irrigated acres were not identified.

Question 2: Is the water used for irrigation purposes now?

No, the pond level is very low so wildlife has been given priority of use. 2014 and 2015 did not have enough rainfall to keep pond full enough to spare any water.

Question 3: If it is, does it tie into the main irrigation system, or is there a separate system that irrigates a specific portion of the ground?

There is no "system" in place, it is in disrepair. We plan to use a pump and lines/hoses if pond has enough water storage to utilize. It has been too dry in 2014 and 2015.

Map 2: Again, I am just trying to get a better understanding of how the pond water is used. Please draw on the attached map the pump location. If the pond water is tied into the ground water irrigation system, please draw on the map how that ties in. If it isn't tied in, please draw in the delivery system (irrigation lines), and irrigated place of use boundary.

Then, please answer **Questions 2 & 3** on either this letter, a separate sheet of paper and return it with the map in the supplied envelope.

I know this is a lot of information to show up in a letter. However, I wanted to send you a letter so I could include maps and you could see what I am seeing. Please look things over and give me a call if you have any questions and we can talk it through.

Respectfully,



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1. We intend to renovate the orchard on the west side of the property, increasing the number and varieties of fruit trees along with re-establishing grass vs. the current crop of weeds/wild roses. We have been manually removing buried mounds of dozed water lines and nursery flower pots. We will need water for the trees and grass and will get lines in place.
2. The pond is not being used for irrigation as there is no water "stored" in the pond for such due to the drought. The areas to the north and west of the pond are being cleared of debris and grass established for pasture.
3. A pump that can draw water from the pond and disperse to lines/sprinklers is no longer here but will be separate from any system, dedicated to the areas designated and only for back-up irrigation, primary being the well.

Place of Use Location Reference Map *— outline of area to be irrigated.*



- Legend**
- Parcel Boundary
 - Township/Range
 - Section
 - QQ

Please draw boundary surrounding the irrigated acres. In addition explain how the water is delivered to the irrigated place of use. The diagram might include well location, main lines, sprinkler lines, etc.

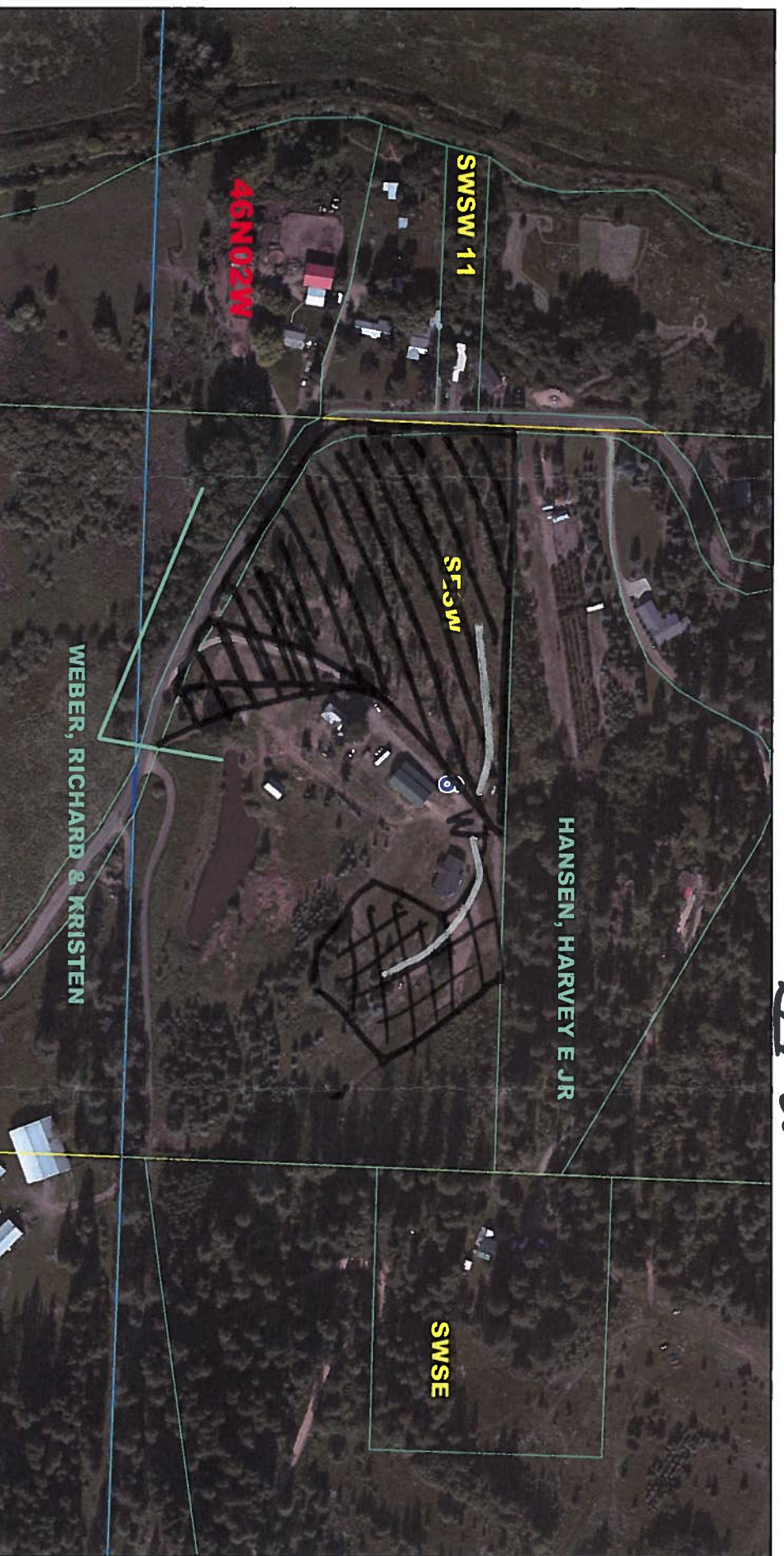
Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, Earthstar, CNR, AerGRID, IGN, etc.

Please disregard the black square, it is not part of the area to be irrigated by 91-07114



area 1

Place of Use Location Reference Map W = well
91-07115 (well) ~~area 2~~ new lines



Legend

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Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AEX, Getmapping, Aergrid, IGN, IGP, swisstopo, and the GIS User Community

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