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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

In Re SRBA	)	PRELIMINARY SPECIAL
	)	MASTER'S REPORT
Case No. 39576	)	
	)	FINDINGS OF FACT AND
	)	CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR
	)	
	)	WATER RIGHT 57-02362

FINDINGS OF FACT

A notice of claim was filed for this water right pursuant to I.C. § 42-1409 (1990). The Director of the State of Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) examined the water system for Reporting Area 2 and investigated and abstracted the notice of claim for Reporting Area 2 (Basin 57), which includes portions of Owyhee County, State of Idaho. The *Director's Report for Reporting Area 2 (Director's Report)* contained a recommendation or abstract for the elements of this water right.

An objection to the *Director's Report* for water right 57-02362 was filed on February 26, 1993, by the United States Bureau of Land Management. A response was filed on June 11, 1993, by the State of Idaho Department of Water Resources. Subcase 57-02362 involves a stock water and/or wildlife claim filed by the United States Bureau of Land Management (BLM). A *Standard Form 5 - Stipulated Elements of a Water Right* was filed on January 22, 1996. The only signatory to the *Standard Form 5* is the claimant/objector, the United States Bureau of Land Management. The Idaho Department of Water Resources did not concur in the *Standard Form 5* and filed its *IDWR Report Re: Review of Standard Form 5*.

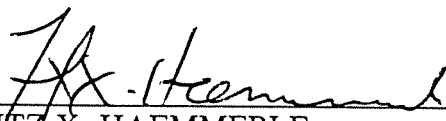
Because of the failure of IDWR to sign the *Standard Form 5* the United States filed a *Motion to Designate Basin Wide Issue 12* (BWI). The purpose of BWI 12 was to resolve all disputes the United States had with IDWR involving stock water rights. Subsequently, Special Master Haemmerle entered his opinion on BWI 12. The Special Master incorporates that decision by reference.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Under *SRBA Administrative Order 1*, a Special Master is required to make a recommendation to the Presiding Judge as to whether and how a water right should be decreed.

Consistent with the recommendation of the *Second Amended Special Master's Recommendation Re: Basin Wide Issue 12* (Aug. 12, 1996) and with these findings and as a matter of law the Special Master recommends water right 57-02362 as listed on the attached *Preliminary Special Master's Recommendation* for Partial Decree.

DATED September 26, 1996.



FRITZ X. HAEMMERLE
Special Master, Reporting Area 2
Snake River Basin Adjudication

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PRELIMINARY

SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR

PARTIAL DECREE FOR

Water Right 57-02362

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NAME & ADDRESS: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH
USDI BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
IDAHO STATE OFFICE
3380 AMERICANA TERRACE
BOISE ID 83706

SOURCE: LOWER RATS NEST SPRING TRIBUTARY: SQUAW CREEK

QUANTITY: 0.01 CFS

THE QUANTITY OF WATER UNDER THIS RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED 13,000
GALLONS PER DAY.

PRIORITY DATE: 01/24/1942

POINT OF DIVERSION: T01N R04W S15 SENE Within Owyhee County

PURPOSE AND PERIOD OF USE:	PURPOSE OF USE	PERIOD OF USE	QUANTITY
	STOCKWATER	01-01 12-31	0.01 CFS

PLACE OF USE: STOCKWATER Within Owyhee County
T01N R04W S15 SENE

OTHER PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR DEFINITION OR ADMINISTRATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT:

THE QUANTITY OF WATER DECREED FOR THIS WATER RIGHT IS NOT A
DETERMINATION OF HISTORICAL BENEFICIAL USE.

DATED: **SEP** 26 1996

Fritz X. Haemmerle
FRITZ/X. HAEMMERLE
Special Master
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NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF
PRELIMINARY SPECIAL MASTER'S
REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Water Right(s): 57-02362

On September 26, 1996, Special Master FRITZ X HAEMMERLE issued a PRELIMINARY SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT and a PRELIMINARY SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION pursuant to SRBA Administrative Order 1 sections 11 (e) and (f).

These documents are served only on parties to the subcase. They are not served on the Presiding Judge. Parties to this subcase may file a Motion for Reconsideration or a Motion to Correct Clerical Errors with the Special Master, but must do so before October 10, 1996.

DATED September 26, 1996.

[Signature: Debbie Lash]

DEBBIE LASH
Deputy Clerk

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that a true and correct copy of PRELIMINARY SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT, PRELIMINARY SPECIAL MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR PARTIAL DECREE and NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF PRELIMINARY SPECIAL MASTER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION were mailed on September 26, 1996, with sufficient first-class postage prepaid to the following:

DIRECTOR OF IDWR
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K. JACK HAUGRUD
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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BOISE, ID 83724-0663

[Signature: Debbie Lash]

DEBBIE LASH
Deputy Clerk

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