

FIELD EXAMINATION OF CSRBA WATER RIGHT CLAIM

Claim Identification Number: 94-7165

Date of Examination: September 11, 2018

Approximate Time of Examination: 11:00-12:30

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Point of Contact: Linda Hosking

Examination Location: 619 Larson RD, Mullan ID

Tax Lot: RP48N05E360600

Purpose of Visit: Locate and document POD location

Field Examination Notes: Claimant no longer lives on the property. Met with current caretaker, and he attempted to explain the system to me, but he was not able to go with me due to medical reasons. This caretaker has lived on this property for approximately 3 years. Based upon information in the water right backfile, I was able to identify parts of the original system including a dam/collection box (Figure 3) located at N 47° 28.393' W 115° 45.361. Due to the dense tree cover, I was unable to obtain an accurate GPS location at the start of the side channel where water is first diverted from the stream. That diversion is approximately 20 feet west northwest of the dam coordinates described above, which does not appear to be on BLM Property. The coordinates of the dam/collection box are the closest to the POD that I could gather. I also observed 2 other pipes in the surrounding area, but only one of those pipes was in Gentle Annie Gulch Creek (Figure 1), it doesn't appear that pipe is part of the current system.

The caretaker explained that the water delivery system was not currently functioning as originally designed due to a blockage somewhere in the piping, but was unsure of the location of that blockage. His explanation of the current system was a barrel in the stream with a hose attached to it. While on the backside of the property I found a barrel tower (~1.5 55-gallon barrels stacked on each other) with a hose attached (Figure 4), but it was not in the stream; rather it was approximately 20 feet east of the stream just below the dam/collection box. The barrel was full of water and appeared to be functioning. There is evidence, scour in the soil, of a side channel being diverted from Gentle Annie Gulch Creek into the dam/collection box (Figure 2), which matches the map of the original system and included in the water right backfile for 94-7165. The dam/collection box is approximately 15 feet by 20 feet.

Figures below are arranged from start to end of the current system.

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Figure 1. A pipe located in Gentle Annie Gulch Creek.



Figure 2. The side channel being diverted from Gentle Annie Creek Gulch into the dam/collection box.



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Figure 3. Photo on the left is from the Water Right Backfile. The photo on the right is the current dam/collection box on the property, at the GPS location described above.



Figure 4. Water delivery system currently in use. Photo on the left showing the barrel tower with hose attached. Photo on the right showing the hose going towards the home.



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