

From: Fritschle, Carter
Sent: Monday, May 13, 2019 12:06 PM
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Subject: RE: Water Right 87-10210

Kathie,

Thank you for responding promptly to my letter. I apologize for the claim filing process being confusing and time consuming. We are working on rewriting the program to make it more user friendly.

I have attached an amended claim for you to review. I have only included the well (ground water) as the source with one point of diversion (the second well). If this adequately describes your domestic use (including the stockwater) from the well, please sign the claim form on page 2, and return it to my attention at the address shown below:

Idaho Department of Water Resources
PO Box 83720
Boise ID 83720-0098

As for the pond, if it only collects diffuse surface water, it may not need a water right. However, if you would like to apply for a water right to collect and store water in the pond, here is a link to the application for permit to establish a new water right which is required for all new surface water diversions after May 20, 1971. If you wish to maintain the pond as a permanent feature on your property, filing the application for permit would allow you to establish a priority date for the pond, and ultimately perfect a water right for the pond.

<https://idwr.idaho.gov/files/forms/application-for-permit.pdf>

And this link takes you to the instructions for an application for permit.

<https://idwr.idaho.gov/files/forms/application-for-permit-instructions.pdf>

I have modified the place of use on the amended claim to show it is in T41N, R05W, S20, SENE. The GPS coordinates listed on the well driller's report for the second well places that well approximately 500 feet northwest of the house, within the SENE of Section 20, rather than the NESE of Section 20, as shown on the well driller's report.

Please contact me if you have any additional questions.

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From: Kathleen LaFortune [<mailto:duckookie@gmail.com>]
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Subject: Water Right 87-10210

Hi Carter,

Thank you for your prompt response regarding my online water adjudication application. I found the process quite time consuming and confusing, so have no doubt that I got some of it wrong.

Here is our situation:

We made an offer on our 80 acre parcel in October of 2013 contingent upon finding water. The first well drilled was dry. We decided, in conjunction with the then owner and the well driller to try one more time. The second well produces about 5 gal/min of extremely rusty water.

We spent the winter/Spring of 2014 trenching water up to a tank above the future home site so that we could gravity feed the construction which began on July 17, 2014. Once construction was complete, we rerouted the water to a pressure tank and water treatment system within the home.

In the summer of 2015, the North Latah County Highway District improved Rudd Road up to our neighbors to the west. The section of road that adjoins our property flooded every Spring. So, in cooperation with the Highway District (though we paid for it), we had a pond dug on our side of the road, and the highway district provided an improved culvert. Our pond catches run off from 3 seasonal un-named creeks, and we divert our roof run off into one of those streams via a small catchment basin. We use the pond water as wildlife habitat and pump some of it into a mobile tank to assist in irrigation of newly planted trees.

Please advise on how to amend our claim.

Thank you.

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