



State of Idaho

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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DIRK KEMPTHORNE
Governor

KARL J. DREHER
Director

May 3, 2006

Jim Mecham
428 Main Ave N
Twin Falls, ID 83301

RE: Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) Claim Nos.: 37-1244, 37-4389 and 37-7861

Dear Mr. Mecham:

Your letter of March 10, 2006 to Director Dreher has been routed to me since I was the one that reviewed your SRBA Claim Nos. 37-1244 and 37-4389. I am pleased to hear that you are satisfied with the recommendations for those water rights.

Your letter also references three additional Water Right Nos., 37-7719, 37-7756 and 37-7861. If you remember our discussion from last year, the only one of these three water rights that required the filing of a claim in the SRBA was Right No. 37-7861. And, because that claim and the appropriate filing fees were received after the Basin 37 Part 1 Surface Water Director's Report had been filed with the SRBA Court, it was not reported with Claim Nos. 37-1244 and 37-4389. However, Claim No. 37-7861 will be reported in the Director's Report for Basin 37 Part 2 or Part 3 later this year. Staff at our Southern Region office in Twin Falls will review the claim and prepare the recommendation for the Director's Report.

Even though the other two water right numbers referenced in your letter do not require claims in the SRBA, you may still file claims for these water uses. However, you will need to decide if there will be any benefit to you in filing the claims and paying the claim filing fees. Permit No. 37-7719 will become a licensed water right, and Right No. 37-7756 was licensed in 1991. Filing claims for these water uses would not change any of the elements of the water rights, or make them "better" water rights.

If you have any questions regarding your SRBA claims, you may contact me by phone at (208) 287-4917 or by email at carter.fritschle@idwr.idaho.gov.

Carter Fritschle

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Section Manager
Adjudication Bureau

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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

MARCH 10, 2006

RE: WATER RIGHTS 37-1244 & 37-4389
& YOUR LETTER OF NOV. 4, 2005

KARL J. DREHER, DIRECTOR
DEPT OF WATER RESOURCES
322 E. FRONT ST.
323 P.O. BOX 83720
BOISE, ID 83720-0098

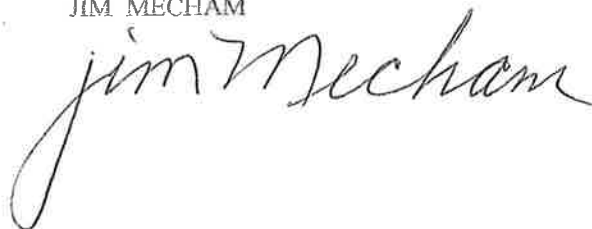
DEAR MR. DREHER:

I AM WRITING ONLY BECAUSE OF OUR MARCH 10 DEADLINE. YOU NEEDN'T READ IT NOW. JUST PUT IN MY FILE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE IF NEEDED.

THE WATER AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE ABOVE RIGHTS FOR IRRIGATION & STOCKWATER ARE SATISFACTORY BUT OUR OTHER USES HAVE NOT YET BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED FOR ADJUDICATION. THEY ARE LICENSE & CLAIMS #37-7756, 37-7861, & 37-7719.

THANK YOU,
WE APPRECIATE ALL YOU ARE DOING FOR IDAHO WATER USERS.

JIM MECHAM

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Mecham". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "JIM MECHAM".

03/28/2005

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION OF WATER RIGHTS ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

RIGHT NUMBER: 37-4389
NAME AND ADDRESS: JAMES W MECHAM
428 MAIN AVE N
TWIN FALLS ID 83301
JUNE MECHAM
428 MAIN AVE N
TWIN FALLS ID 83301

SOURCE: LOWER WADDINGTON SPRING TRIBUTARY: STODDARD CREEK
QUANTITY: 0.500 CFS

Right nos. 37-1244 and 37-4389 are limited to a total combined diversion rate of 0.714 cfs.

The quantity of water under this right for stockwater use shall not exceed 13,000 gallons per day.

The appropriator is entitled to the quantity of water described for stockwater purposes at a point of measurement where the delivery ditch enters the place of use described.

PRIORITY DATE: 03/15/1888

POINT OF DIVERSION:

T06S R13E S27 NESWNW Within GOODING County

PURPOSE AND
PERIOD OF USE:

<u>PURPOSE OF USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
IRRIGATION	03/15 11/15	0.500 CFS
STOCKWATER	01/01 12/31	0.020 CFS

PLACE OF USE: IRRIGATION Within GOODING County

T06S R13E S27 Lot 1 NWSW 6.6 T06S R13E S27 Lot 2 SWSW 4.4

STOCKWATER same as IRRIGATION

11 ACRES TOTAL

Right nos. 37-1244 and 37-4389 are limited to the irrigation of a combined total of 11 acres in a single irrigation season.

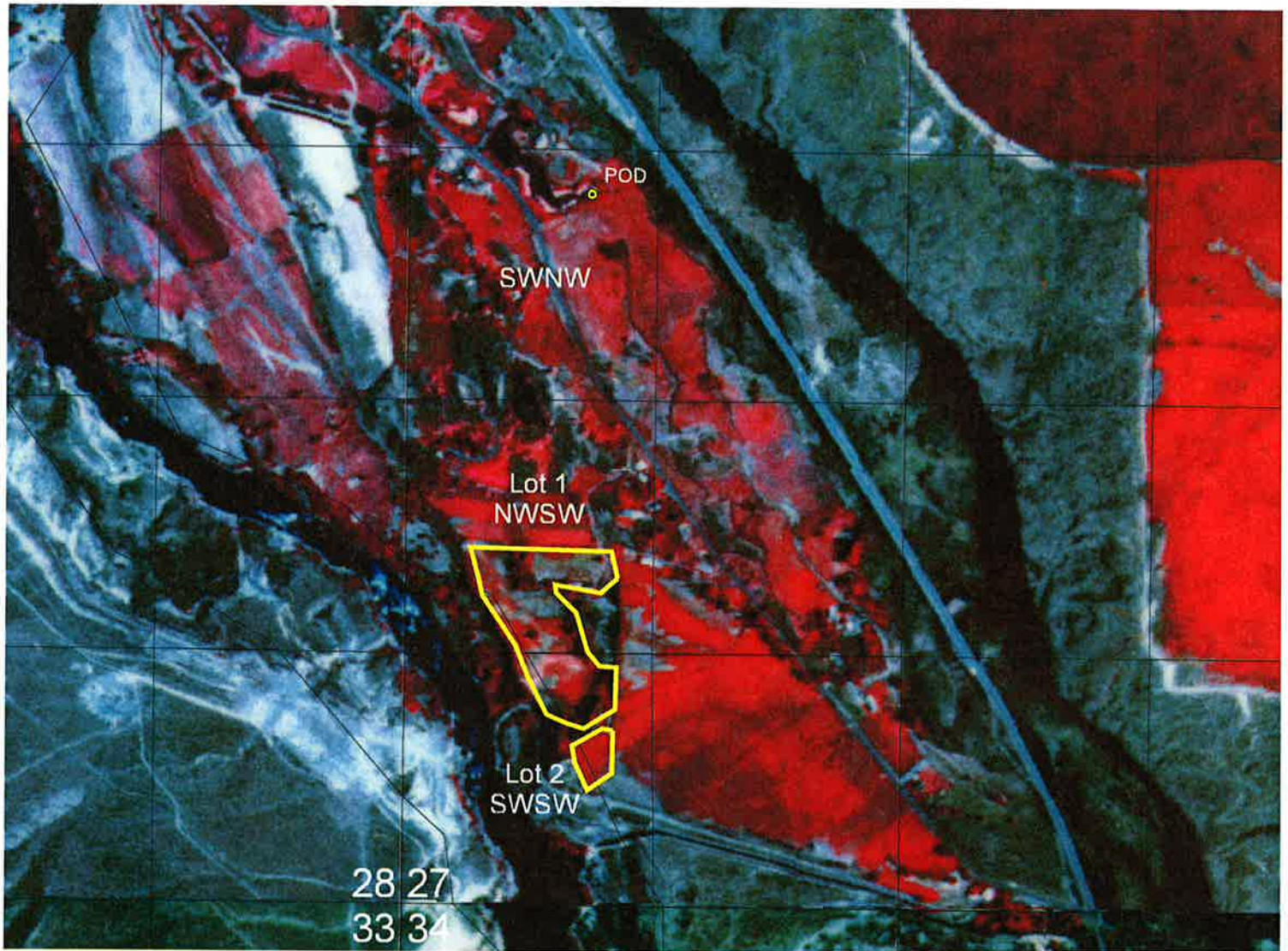
OTHER PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR DEFINITION OR ADMINISTRATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT:

This partial decree is subject to such general provisions necessary for the definition of the rights or for the efficient administration of the water rights as may be ultimately determined by the Court at a point in time no later than the entry of a final unified decree. Section 42-1412(6), Idaho Code.

The quantity of water decreed for this water right for stockwater use is not a determination of historical beneficial use.

EXPLANATORY MATERIAL: Beneficial Use

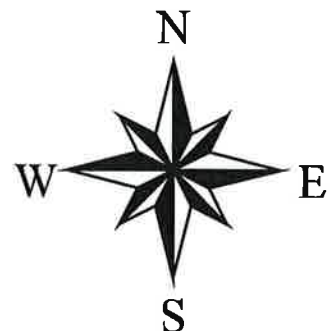
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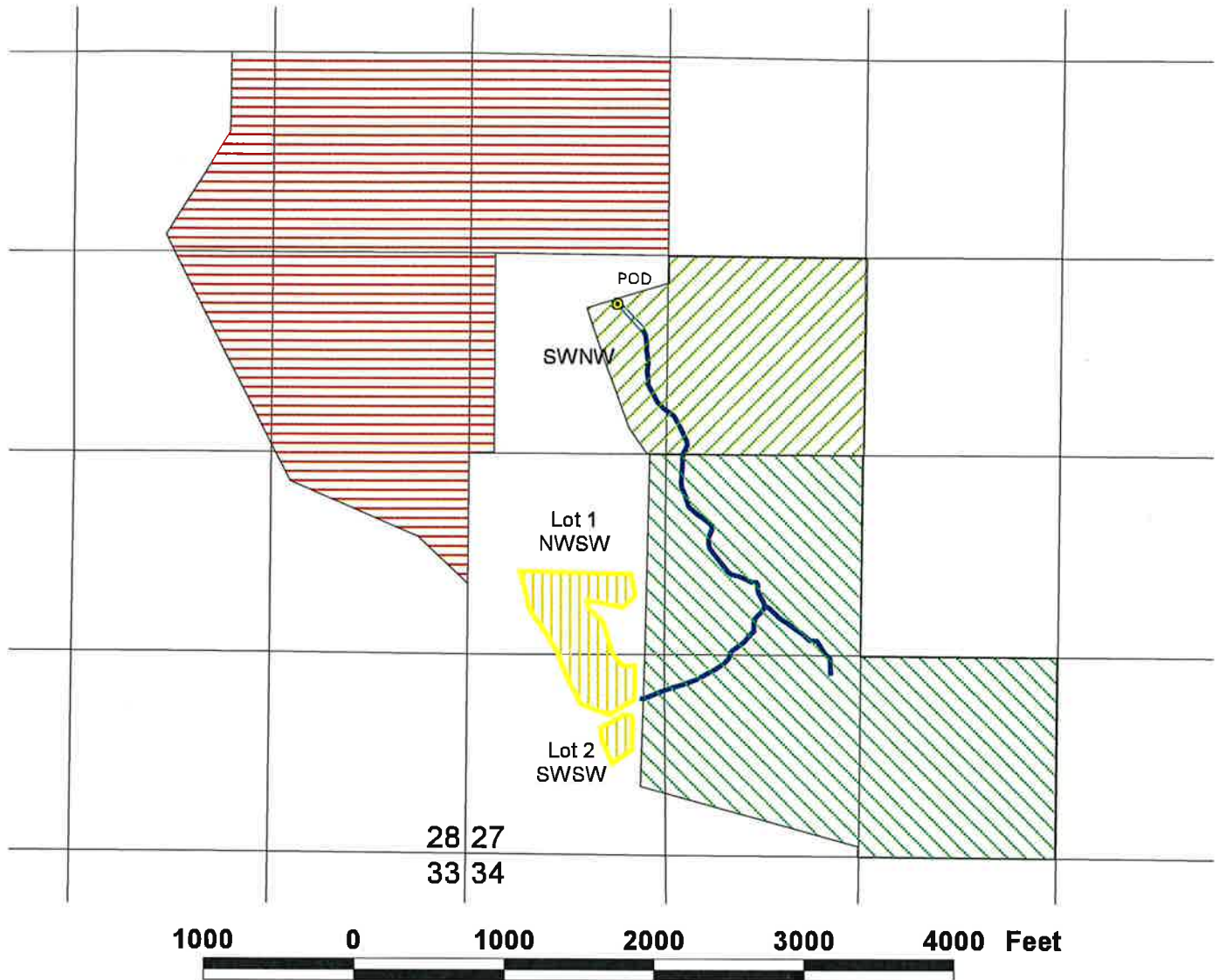
800 0 800 1600 2400 3200 Feet

T06S R13E S27

Map prepared by: Carter Fritschle
Date prepared: 03/28/05
1987-1988 NAPP photography
Idaho Department of Water Resources



37-4389



T06S R13E S27

-  Mecham POU
-  Frost Property - 1925
-  Uriaguereca Property - 1925
-  Penfold Property - 1925
-  Lower Waddington Spring
-  Lower Waddington Pipeline
-  Lower Waddington Ditch



Since the land irrigated by claim no. 37-4389 does not appear to be part of either the land covered by the John Waddington posted notice or the land covered by the Luther Jacobs posted notice, the best priority date that can be recommended would be the first day of the irrigation season following the posting of the notices, which is March 15, 1888.

CA 2-25-05

Algeroy Penfold, J. R. Kin-
kade, J. R. Wagner

AFFIDAVIT.

118712

Dated, --

Recorded, June 18, 1952, 12:05 PM
Book 7 Miscellaneous Page 137

-to-

The Public.

Being duly sworn deposes and say that they are personally ac-
quainted with David M. Steele and the land owned by him and the fol-
lowing facts concerning the water appurtenant thereto.

The amount of water appurtenant to the land is 60 inches.
The origin of the water is the Waddington Springs.

The point of diversion is about 300 feet from their land.
The size of the canal is about an 18 inch bottom.

One ditch is half mile long and carries 150 inches of water. 30
inches for David M. Steele and 120 inches for Font Frost.

Another ditch carries 125 inches divided as follows. One fifth
to David M. Steele. One-fifth to Ross Wagner, and three-fifth to
Fields Kyser estate.

That the water has never been decreed but that the borrower and
his predecessors in interest have used the water since 1888 and have
put to beneficial use the said water and that there has been no in-
terruption of said use since that date.

Subscribed and sworn to March 6, 1934, before H. O. Frazier,
Notary Public, State of Idaho (N.P. Seal)

(NOTE: John Ross Wagner received title to the land insured, by
Deed dated August 23, 1921 and recorded November 16, 1921 in Book 15
Deeds Page 97 and transferred title by deed dated September 14,
1934 and recorded June 29, 1943 in Book 35 Deeds Page 54, records of
Gooding County, Idaho. Given for informational purposes only)

*Mechem has Wagner property
25" through lower Waddington Ditch*

Stoddard Creek and Waddington Springs

1. Posted Notice by John Waddington - Water Rights Book # 1, Page 88, Lincoln County, Idaho and Water Rights Book A, Page 284, Gooding County, Idaho

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned claims by right of location, possession and final diversion all of the water of this spring known as Stoddard Spring or Creek, situated in Salmon Falls Mining District, Alturas County, Idaho, to be diverted from its natural channel at this notice and be carried by ditch and flume from this point to ranch of the undersigned, hereby reserving the right and privilege to change said point of diversion should such change be deemed advantageous to the purpose hereinafter named to be used for mining, milling, agricultural and domestic purposes.

Signed John Waddington Dated November 7, 1887 - Filed for Record, November 7, 1887

Stoddard Creek originates with Lower and Upper Waddington Springs, Stoddard Creek Springs and an unnamed spring.

2. Posted Notice by Luther Jacobs - Water Rights Book # 4, page 41, Alturas County, Idaho

Notice is hereby given that I a citizen of the United States, claim by right, location, possession and final diversion 400 inches of the water of this creek, known as Stoddard Creek, not otherwise appropriated, situated in Salmon Falls Mining District, Alturas County, Idaho Territory, to be diverted from its natural channel, at this notice, and be conveyed by ditch and flume to point of discharge about 1/2 mile in a southerly direction. Hereby reserving the right to change said point of diversion, and discharge. Should change be decreed more advantageous for the uses and purposes hereafter named, to be used for agricultural and mining purposes.

Located this 3rd day of February, 1888 - Filed for Record, February 3, 1888

Both Lower and Upper Waddington Ditches flow southerly for about 1/2 mile to the present location of the Malad Estates Subdivision. However, Luther Jacob's land appears to have been primarily to the west of the springs.

3. Contract between John Waddington, party of the first part and William H. Slater, party of the second part. Dated May 9, 1907.

In consideration of compromising an injunction suit filed in Lincoln County, Idaho, the parties hereto have agreed as to the interest each of them shall have in and to the waters of a certain irrigating ditch carrying the waters of Stoddard Spring to the first party's ranch in Section 27, Township 6 S, Range 13E, B.M. which agreement is as follows:

First party has this day executed and delivered to second party a deed to seven and one-half inches of the waters of said ditch. It is understood and agreed between the parties hereto that said seven and one-half inches is all the waters of said ditch that the second party has any right or claim to.

Without knowing the location of the Slater property, it cannot be determined if the ditch in question is the Upper or Lower Waddington Ditch.

4. Beaver River Power Company v. Ida Bell Waddington Frost, John Doe Frost, her husband, John William Waddington, a minor, and Andrew Jackson Waddington, a minor. Judgment dated July 18, 1912.

Describes the power company obtaining the right of way to place two power poles on the defendants' property in the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 27, Township 6 South, Range 13 East, B.M.

This indicates that Ida B. Frost (see the Upper Waddington Ditch Decree) was probably an heir of John Waddington.

5. Upper Waddington Ditch Decree - F.O. Frost and Ida B. Frost, husband and wife, Florencio Uriaguereca and Antonia Uriaguereca, husband and wife v. A. Penfold and Bert Herbert. Judgment dated June 22, 1925

Court ruled that the plaintiffs have the sole and exclusive possession and control of the Upper Waddington Ditch and the Upper Waddington Spring situated on defendant Penfold's property. The decree also provides legal descriptions for the Penfold property, the Frost property and the Uriaguereca property.

I have mapped the various properties in ArcView. (See attached) It is assumed that the Frost property was originally owned by John Waddington, and the Penfold property was originally owned by Luther Jacobs. Therefore, any lands receiving water from Stoddard Creek or its associated springs that were not included in the posted notices would have a priority date inferior to the Waddington (Frost) land or the Jacobs (Penfold) land.

6. Affidavit from Algeroy Penfold, J.R. Kinkade and J.R. Wagnor signed March 6, 1934 and recorded June 18, 1952 as instrument no. 118712, Book 7 Miscellaneous Page 137.

Describes two ditches from the Waddington Springs Complex. One ditch is one-half mile long and carries 150 inches. The other ditch carries 125 inches. Water has been used in these ditches uninterrupted since 1888. The amount of water owned in each ditch by various parties is also described.

Receipt Details for ID S001428

Status	Adjustment Type	Version
	Adjusted Receipt	1

General Information:

Date Received	Date Deposited	Region	Total Amount	Payment Type
8/12/1988 3:31:38 PM	8/12/1988	Southern	\$215.00	Cash
Payer		JAMES W. MECHAM		

Account Information:

Check #	Account #	Credit Card Name	Authorization #
Card Expiration Date	Credit Card Transaction #		

Comment ADJUDICATION FEE

Fee Detail:

Amount	Description	PCA	Fund	Fund Detail	Subsidiary	Object
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Water Right Information:

Basin Number	Sequence Number	Split Suffix	Amount	Type
37	1244		\$56.00	Claim
37	4132		\$25.00	Claim
37	4389		\$134.00	Claim

Print Report

Claim Fee
Aesthetic
Irrigation

50⁰⁰
73⁰⁰
11⁰⁰
134⁰⁰

11 ac.

Appears to have paid for 17 acres of irrigation, but in Hamilton v. Standal, signed by Judge Kraver 11-15-1979 only 11 acres were irrigated. Also, the Conservation Plan map dated 4-66 shows less acres than recommended.

Please attach to proof of priority.

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Department of Water Resources

#37-4389

MICHAM, JAMES - LOWER WADINGTON DITCH INFO

LOGAN COUNTY ASSESSMENT RECORD 1891

Page 95 LUTHER JACOBS Lots 1,2,3,4 T6S R.13E SEC ²⁸/₂₇
Value of Real Estate \$100 Value of 5 horses \$95 Value of Vehicle \$10

Page 155 JOHN WADINGTON T6S R13E SEC. 27
Value of Real Estate \$100 Value of 3 Horses \$60 Value of 1 Vehicle \$10

POSSESSION OF HORSES DOES NOT
PROVE WATER USE FOR IRRIGATION,
BUT STRONGLY SUGGESTS IT.

W.O. IRRIGATION LONG SAGE TAP
ROOTS WOULD LEAVE ANY NATIVE
GRASS TO SPARSE TO SUPPORT
LIVESTOCK ON LIMITED PARCELS
OF LAND.



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December 9, 2003

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

JAMES AND JUNE MECHAM
428 MAIN AVE N
TWIN FALLS ID 83301

RE: Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA)
Notice of Claim to a Water Right #37-4389

Dear Claimants:

Mail we sent to you was returned undeliverable. We have enclosed the returned mail. Although we have reached you at the address above, we need your written confirmation this is your correct mailing address before we can change our records.

Please sign your name at the bottom of this letter and return it to this office. Make corrections to your name and address if necessary before returning this letter, list any other water rights you have, and return this letter by December 19, 2003. Thank you for your help.

If your mail delivery address changes in any form, please contact us in writing so we can update our records. Be sure to list your water right numbers.

If there has been a change in ownership of the property connected with the water right claim(s) referenced above, please call this office toll-free at 1/800-451-4129 so I can contact the new owner(s) regarding their water right(s) and updating our records.

Sincerely,


Sally Sherman
Technical Records Specialist
Adjudication Bureau

SS:region
Enclosure:
Returned Mail

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The address is correct as shown above or as otherwise changed.

Water Right Holder's Signature

Telephone No.



STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
1301 North Orchard Street, P.O. Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0098

37-4389
JUNE MECHAM
669 RIVER RD
BLISS ID 83314

Re: Evidence of Priority Date

Dear Claimant:

The Notice of Claim to a Water Right (claim) identifies the claimant, the water right that has been filed in the Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA). The claimant must establish that the claim is a "Beneficial Use" or a "Statutory Claim." Water rights of this type are those that have been established dating back to when water was first used for the purpose claimed. The claimant must establish the date of first use, known as the priority date, has not been changed. The claimant must also establish the priority date and historic use of a beneficial use right cannot be changed. The claimant must **provided by the claimant** supporting the priority date claim.

If you no longer own the property to which the claim is made, please return this form to the present owner, or return it to Idaho Department of Water Resources. If you are the present owner, please provide correspondence from the previous owner of the property it is claimed to be lost. Please return this form with IDWR in order to receive future mailings and to participate in future water rights claims.

Enclosed you will find a computer printout of your cl
The pamphlet describes the types of evidence required and
requirement.

PLEASE NOTE: IDWR will recommend the SRBA, the priority date and of the historic use is submitted. It will be evidence. If you choose to submit statements from individuals of a notarized affidavit.

Please submit the required evidence supporting the above, referencing all documents with the corresponding claim. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact this office.

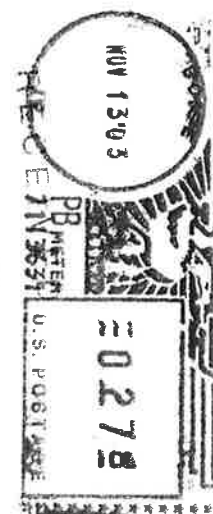
Sincerely,

Carter Frit
Water Rig

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FIRST CLASS





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Department of Water Resources

November

37-4389
JAMES W MECHAM
C/O HAGERMAN SCHOOL
HAGERMAN ID 83332

Re: Evidence of Priority Date

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If you no longer own the property to which the claim is made, or return it to Idaho Department of Water Resources, please send correspondence from the previous owner of the property in the form with IDWR in order to receive future mailings and to participate in the adjudication.

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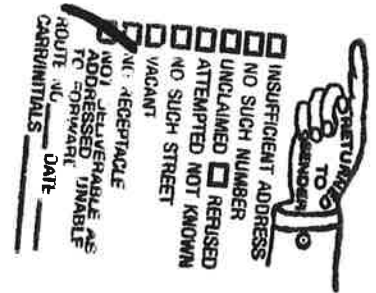
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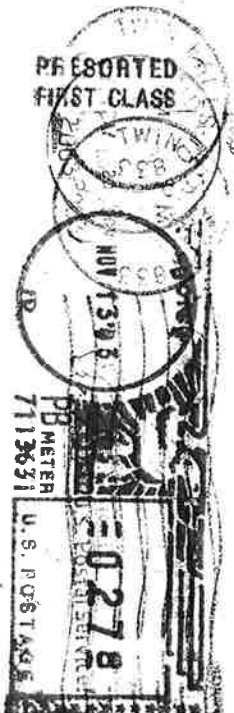
Sincerely,

Carter
Carter Fritts
Water Rights

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Forward to Jim Mecham





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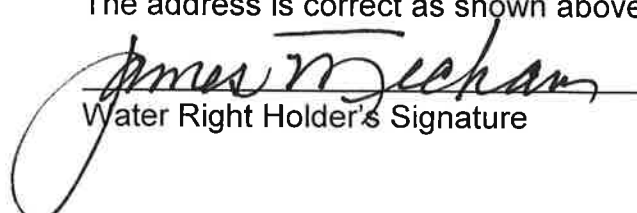
Sincerely,


Sally Sherman
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Water Right Holder's Signature

208-734-1279
Telephone No.

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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 THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION
OF RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER FROM
THE SNAKE RIVER BASIN WATER SYSTEM

CIVIL CASE NUMBER: 39576

Ident. Number 37-4389
Date Received: 8/12/1988
Receipt No: S001428
Received By:

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NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

1. Name of Claimant(s)

JUNE MECHAM Phone:

669 RIVER RD
BLISS ID USA 83314

JAMES W MECHAM Phone: (208)733-6927

C/O HAGERMAN SCHOOL
HAGERMAN ID USA 83332

2. Date of Priority: 06/01/1882

3. Source: SPRING Trib. to: SNAKE RIVER

4. Point of Diversion:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of 1/4 of 1/4 Lot	County	Type
06S	13E	27	NE SW NW	GOODING	

5. Description of diverting works:

SPRINGS, PIPE, DITCH. SEE REMARKS

6. Water is used for the following purposes:

Purpose	From	To	C.F.S.	(or) A.F.A
IRRIGATION	3/15	11/15	0.73	
STOCKWATER	1/01	12/31	0.5	
AESTHETIC	3/15	11/15	0.73	

7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:
0.728 C.F.S.

8. Total consumptive use: 0.728 cfs

9. Non-irrigation uses: listed above

10. Place of use:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of 1/4	Lot	Use	Acres
06S	13E	27	NW	NW	IRRIGATION	1
			NW	SW	IRRIGATION	4
			SW	NW	IRRIGATION	6
Section Acres						11
Total Acres						11

11. Place of use in counties: GOODING

12. Do you own the property listed above as place of use? Yes

13. Other Water Rights Used:

37-1862 fish, aesthetic
 # 37-7756 Domestic
 # 37-4132 Domestic

37-1244 Irrigation
 # 37-7861 Fish, Power, rec. Permit? right?
 # 37-7719 (Permit) for power

14. Remarks:

SPRING FLOWS INTO AN 18" PIPE LOCATED IN POOL AT SPRING. THENCE IN THE PIPE FOR 75 YARDS TO AN EARTH DITCH THENCE 2/3 MILE TO FARM. WHEN CLAIMANT PURCHASED THIS PROPERTY HE PURCHASED 1/5 OF THE FLOW OF THIS SPRING. THIS AMOUNT INCLUDES DITCH LOSS. A PORTION OF THE LAND IN THE NW SW IS SUB IRRIGATED FROM THE DITCH LEADING FROM LOWER WADDINGTON SPRINGS. THIS DITCH ALSO PROVIDES RECHARGE TO THE DOMESTIC SPRING SERVING CLAIMANTS HOUSE.

15. Basis of Claim: Statutory Claim

Copy

*I believe this to be lower Waddington ditch
since Upper Waddington is described separately
& has a different date.*

John Waddington

~~John Waddington~~

~~John Waddington~~

The Public.

LOCATION NOTICE OF WATER RIGHT.

Dated, November 7, 1887

Recorded November 7, 1887

Book 1 Water Rights Page 88,

Lincoln County

Book A Water Rights Page 284,

Gooding County

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned claims by right of location, possession and final diversion all of the Water of this Spring known as Stoddard Spring or Creek, situated in Salmon Falls Mining District, Alturas County, Idaho, to be diverted from its natural channel at this notice and be carried by ditch and flume from this point to Ranch of the undersigned, hereby reserving the right and privilege to change said point of diversion should such change be deemed advantageous for the purpose hereinafter named to be used for Mining, Milling, Agricultural and Domestic purposes.

Signed: John Waddington.

John Waddington

Party of the first part

-with-

William H. Slater

Party of the second part.

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CONTRACT.

Dated, May 9, 1907

Recorded, April 23, 1952, 10:45 AM

Book 5 Agreements Page 571

In consideration of compromising an injunction suit filed in Lincoln County, Idaho, the parties hereto have agreed as to the interest each of them shall have in and to the waters of a certain irrigating ditch carrying the waters of Stoddard Spring to First parties ranch in Section 27 Township 6 S. Range 13 E.B.M. which agreements is as follows:

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Signed: John Waddington

William H. Slater

Acknowledged: May 9, 1907, by John Waddington and William H. Slater, before Paul S. Haddock, Notary Public, Lincoln County, Idaho (N.P. Seal)

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WATER RIGHTS BOOK #4 PAGE 41 ALTURAS COUNTY, IDAHO

LUTHER JACOBS

STODDARD CREEK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, CLAIM BY RIGHT, POSSESSION AND FINAL DIVERSION 400 INCHES OF THE WATER OF THIS CREEK, KNOWN AS STODDARD CREEK, NOT OTHERWISE APPROPRIATED, SITUATED IN SALMON FALLS MINING DIST, ALTURAS COUNTY, IDAHO TERRITORY, TO BE DIVERTED FROM ITS NATURAL CHANNEL, AT THIS NOTICE, ABOUT ½ MILE IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION. HEREBY RESERVING THE RIGHT TO CHANGE SAID POINT OF DIVERSION, AND DISCHARGE. SHOULD CHANGE BE DECREED MORE ADVANTAGEOUS FOR THE PURPOSES HEREAFTER NAMED, TO BE USED FOR AGRICULTURAL AND MINING PURPOSES. LOCATED THIS 3RD DAY OF FEBRUARY 1888.

FILED FOR RECORD FEBRUARY 3RD, 1888.

I, LEROY A. OWSLEY, do testify that Mecham's water carried by the lower Waddington ditch through the southerly parts of old Font Frost farm (that part below old haighway 30 is now owned by Stanley Standal) has been used continuously for irrigation, stock water, and aesthetics from 1936 to the present (2003)

LEROY A. OWSLEY

L. Roy A. Owsley

The tax assessor record of 1922 shows John Ross Hagner, then owner, having 15 acres of agricultural land, 6 acres of waste land, 1 bull, 10 cows, 12 yearlings & horses & one hog.

Alturas County records do not include property tax assessments. (fires may have destroyed them)?

State of Idaho)
County of Gooding) S.S.

On this 16th day of December, in the year of 19 2003, before me STACEE CLARK, a notary public, personally appeared LEROY A DOWSLEY, personally known to me to be the person(s) whose name(s) is (are) subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he(she) (they) executed the same.



Stacey Clark
Notary Public

My Commission Expires on 1-14-2005

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES



CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT

Under the provisions of Section 42-243, Idaho Code, any person using or claiming rights to the public waters of Idaho established by diversion and application to a beneficial use must file a claim with the Department of Water Resources on or before June 30, 1983. Exempted from this filing are single family domestic uses as defined in Section 42-230(d), Idaho Code. Also exempted are rights represented by a permit, license, decree, adjudicated right, or a previously filed claim.

The filing of this claim does not confirm the water right claimed but failure to file may result in forfeiture of a water right.

Notice is hereby given that JUNE MEECHAN

(Name of Claimant)

STAR ROUTE BLISS, IDAHO 83314

(Mailing Address)

(Zip Code)

Telephone No. 837-6355

claims a right to the diversion and beneficial use of the surface or ground water. The extent and nature of said claim is as follows: *77 6-30-83*

(1) Date of priority: (When was the water first applied to a beneficial use) 1888

A claim is not acceptable on a ground water source with a priority later than March 25, 1963 or on a surface water source with a priority later than May 20, 1971. An exception is that a claim may be filed on single family domestic use from a ground water source.

(2) Describe the source of water: (Name of stream, lake, spring, etc., or ground water) Waddington Ditch is being de-mossed.
LOWER WADDINGTON SPRING tributary to STODDARD CREEK THENCE TO SNAKE RIVER

(3) Describe the purpose for which the water has been used and the time during the year when you have used the right claimed: FOR BATHING THE WATER TABLE OF OUR DOMESTIC-USE SPRING DURING THE WINTER

FOR RAISING THE WATER TABLE OF OUR DOMESTIC-USE SPRING DURING THE WINTER.

(Both dates inclusive)

(cfs, af)

(Domestic, Irrigation, Stock, Etc.)

(Mo., Day)

(Mo., Day)

Quantity .728 cfs Use IRRIGATION & STOCKWATER Period of Use From MAR. 15 To NOV. 1

Quantity	.728 cfs	Use	AESTHETICS	Period of Use From	MAR. 15	To	NOV. 1
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Quantity .5 Use STOCK WATER AND Period of Use From NOV. 1 To MAR. 15

Quantity _____ Use _____ Period of Use From _____ To _____

Quantity _____ Use _____ Period of Use From _____ To _____

(4) .728 cfs TOTAL QUANTITY USED.

(cfs, af)

(5) A) Point of diversion: (Location of point where water is diverted from its source)

NW ¼ NW ¼, Sec. 27 Twp. 6 S Rge. 13 E B.M., County of GOODING

Additional points of diversion: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SW $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 27

B) Describe means of diversion of water: (Pump and pipeline, well, diversion dam, reservoir, length of ditch and field, etc.). Give sizes and capacities: be as specific as possible. Describe any changes in the system and give the date of the change. SPRING FLOWS INTO 18" PIPE 75-YARDS THENCE IN DITCH 2/3 MILE TO OUR FARM. 750 YARDS OF SAID DITCH IS RATHER WIDE WITH VERY LITTLE FALL. PLEASE CONSIDER REASONABLE DITCH LOSS AND SUFFICIENT HEAD REQUIRED TO PUSH WATER TO POINT OF USE.

(6) A) Describe location of use by listing number of irrigated acres within each 40-acre tract in appropriate box. If use is not for irrigation, place an "X" in appropriate box to show location.

[illegible]

No. of acres 7.2

B) If water is used for other than irrigation, fully describe that use, being as specific as possible: THE WATER IS BEAUTIFUL WHEREVER IT COURSES THROUGH OUR FARM. THERE ARE REFLECTING POOLS, CASCADES, BEAUTIFIED DITCHES, & CREEK-LIKE SETTINGS. THIS WATER IS A GREAT PART OF THE VALUE OF OUR PLACE & A MOST IMPORTANT PART OF OUR FARM PURCHASE 20 YEARS AGO. OUR DEED SPECIFIES THAT 1/5 OF THE FLOW OF LOWER WADDINGTON SPRING BELONGS TO US, AND THAT IS THE TRADITIONAL USAGE. FURTHERMORE, THE WATER IS (NEARLY) ALL CONSUMED: THERE'S PRECIOUS LITTLE THAT RUNS OFF OUR FARM. LESS WATER WOULD BE INSUFFICIENT.

NOTE: Include here the type and number of stock watered: IT VARIES. WE'VE HAD 150 SHEEP OR 35 COWS OR 11

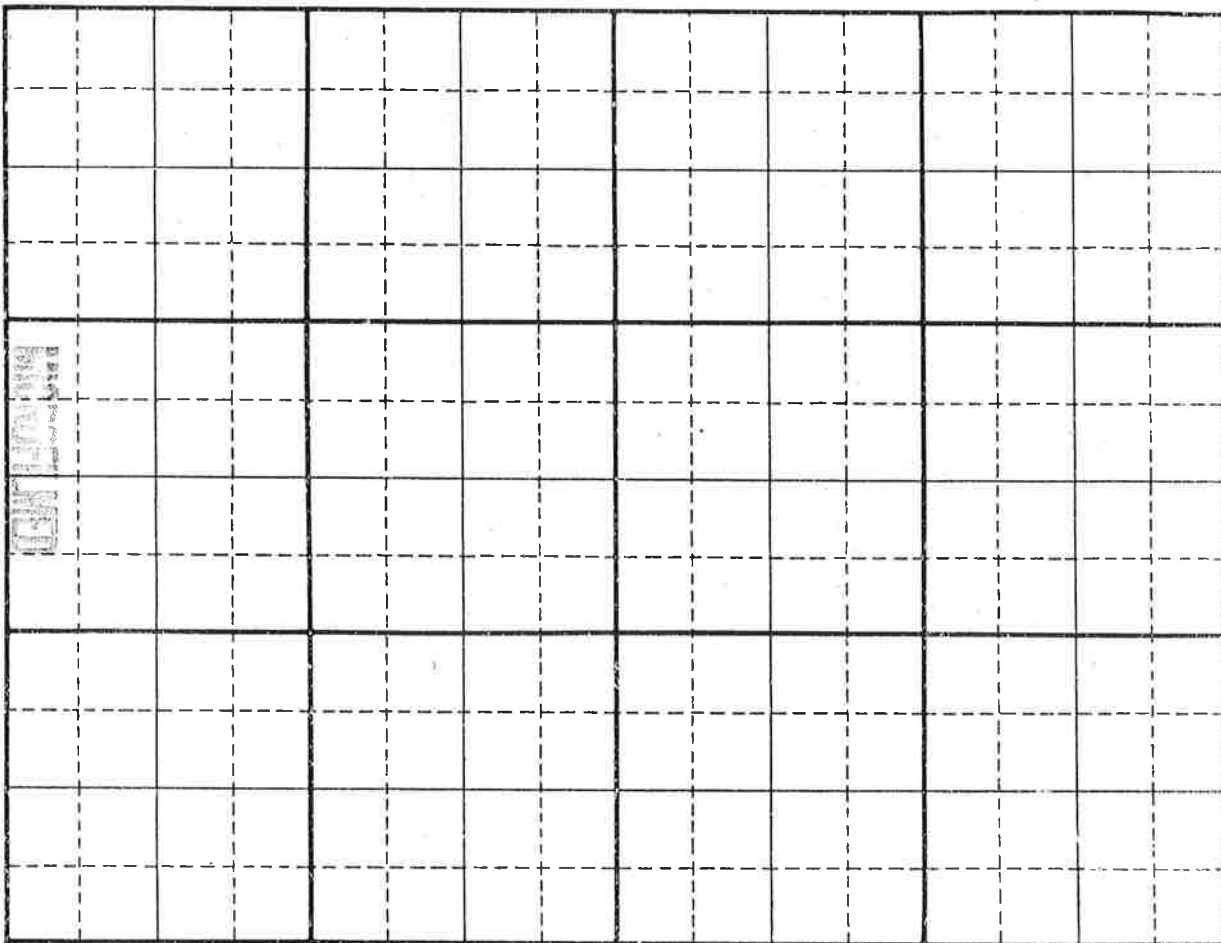
(7) If you are claiming water as a member of an organization, list name of organization: HORSES OR PIGS ETC. WE ALSO

depends

Value of rental units on the property largely depends on aesthetic beauty of the land.

HAVE STOCKWATER FROM OTHER
SOURCES FOR OTHER PARTS OF THE
FARM.

(8) Remarks WADDINGTON DITCH SEEPAGE BENEFITS OUR FARM IN THE NW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 27.
THERE IS NO DIVERSION FROM THE DITCH BUT WATER LEVEL OF MARSH IS RAISED DURING
THE WADDINGTON IRRIGATION SEASON.



Scale: 2 inches equal 1 mile.

Map should show the location of the point of diversion and the place of use of the water by 40-acre subdivisions, section, township and range of the public land survey system.

State of Idaho)

County of Twin Falls) ss.

Be it known that the undersigned, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he, she, they subscribed the foregoing claim to a water right, together with all attached information, and that the matters and facts therein are true to the best of the affiant's knowledge.

Sworn to before me this 30 day of June, 1983.

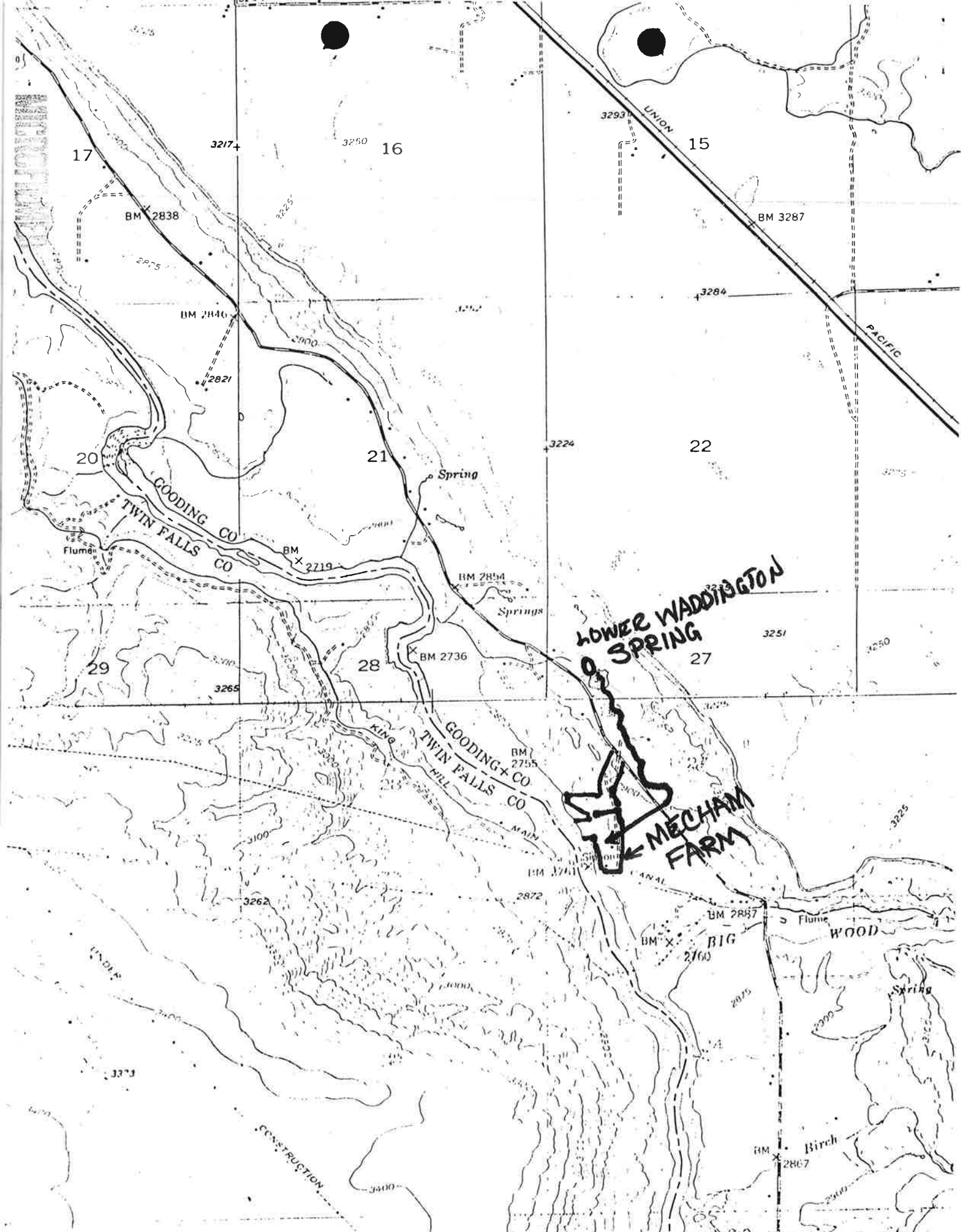
Jane Micham
(Claimant)

Mary A. Newby
Notary Public
Residing at Shoshone, id 83452

My commission expires life

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Received by JDC Date 6/30/83 Exception filed by: _____ Date _____
Prelim. check by JDC Date 7/14/83
\$30.00 fee received by JDC Date 6/30/83 #29108
Published in Gooding Co. leader
Dates 8/31 & 9/7/83



LOWER WADDINGTON
SPRING

MECHEM
FARM

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION
OF RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER FROM
THE SNAKE RIVER BASIN WATER SYSTEM.

CIVIL CASE NUMBER: 39576

Ident. Number: A37-04389
Date Received: 6/21/1988
Receipt No: S 001428
Received By: TB

NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

1. Name: JUNE MECHAM
Address: 669 RIVER RD.
BLISS, ID 83314
OR
Name: JAMES W. MECHAM 208-733-6927
Address: C/O HAGERMAN SCHOOL
HAGERMAN, ID 83332

2. Date of Priority: JUN 01, 1882

3. Source: SPRING (LOWER WADDINGTON SP Trib. to: SNAKE RIVER

4. Point of Diversion:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of	1/4 of	1/4	Lot	County
06S	13E	27	NE	SW	NW		GOODING

5. Description of diverting works:
SPRINGS, PIPE, DITCH. SEE REMARKS

6. Water is used for the following purposes:

Purpose	From	To	C.F.S	(or)	A.F.A.
IRRIGATION	03/15	11/15	0.730		
AESTHETIC	03/15	11/15	0.730		
STOCKWATER	01/01	12/31	0.500		

7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:
0.728 C.F.S. (and/or) A.F.A.

8. Total consumptive use is 21.6 Acre Feet Per Annum.

9. Non-irrigation uses:
S/VARIABLE AMT., J/REFLECTING POOLS, DITCHES, CASCADES, ETC.

10. Place of Use:

Township	Range	Section	1/4	of	1/4	Lot	Use	Acres
06S	13E	27	NW		NW		IRR	1.0
			SW		NW		IRR	6.0
			NW		SW		IRR	4.0
							Section Acres	11.0
							Total Acres	11.0

11. Place of use in counties: GOODING

12. Do you own the property listed above as place of use? YES

13. Other Water Rights Used:

14. Remarks:

SPRING FLOWS INTO AN 18" PIPE LOCATED IN POOL AT SPRING. THENCE IN THE PIPE FOR 75 YARDS TO AN EARTH DITCH THENCE 2/3 MILE TO FARM. WHEN CLAIMANT PURCHASED THIS PROPERTY HE PURCHASED 1/5 OF THE FLOW OF THIS SPRING. THIS AMOUNT INCLUDES DITCH LOSS. A PORTION OF THE LAND IN THE NW SW IS SUB IRRIGATED FROM THE DITCH LEADING FROM LOWER WADDINGTON SPRINGS. THIS DITCH ALSO PROVIDES RECHARGE TO THE DOMESTIC SPRING SERVING CLAIMANTS HOUSE.

15. Basis of Claim: STATUTORY CLAIM

16. Signature(s)

(a.) By signing below, I/We acknowledge that I/We have received, read and understand the form entitled "How you will receive notice in the Snake River Basin Adjudication." (b.) I/We do _____ do not x wish to receive and pay a small annual fee for monthly copies of the docket sheet.

Number of attachments: _____

For Individuals:

I/We do solemnly swear or affirm that the statements contained in the foregoing document are true and correct.

Signature of Claimant(s): James H. Meekam Date: 8-17-88

Date: _____

State of Idaho

County of Twin Falls)
SS.

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this 12th day

of August 19 88

Roxanne Storey
Notary Public

Seal

Residing at Buhl, Id

My Commission Expires 6-30-94

please file with adjudication claim of

JAMES W. MECHAM
669 RIVER ROAD
BLISS, IDAHO 83314

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Department of Water Resources
Southern Region Office

Ident. No. A37-04389

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FACT SHEET

for

Excessive Irrigation Flows

This information is to be submitted with any application for permit or adjudication claim to water right for which the irrigation rate of flow requested/claimed is more than .02 cfs per acre. One exception is that .03 cfs per acre is allowed for up to five (5) acres.

Soil type and soil profile: 3rd CLASS. SANDY OVER GRAVEL, CLASS VII

Soil water holding capacity: LOW

Soil intake family (if known): _____

Field slope: VARIABLE: FLAT TO STEEP

Anticipated crops: PASTURE, ALPHALPHA, TREES

Method of irrigation: GRAVITY-OPEN DITCH (SOME GATED PIPE)

ADJUDICATION CLAIM ONLY:

Is this method of irrigation the common local practice? YES

Have you changed the irrigated method from the one first developed? YES

If yes, describe. WE HAVE GATED PIPE FOR SOME STRETCHES.

Remarks ALL OF OUR FIELDS ARE LESS THAN ^{three} FIVE ACRES WITH RELATIVELY LONG DITCHES TO SERVE THEM. WHILE YOUR SUGGESTED ALLOCATION MAY BE SUFFICIENT TO RAISE A CROP IF TOPICALLY APPLIED IT TAKES MUCH MORE TO TO PUSH WATER THROUGH THE DITCHES & THROUGH THE GRASS ONCE IT IS OUT ON THE FIELDS.

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CONSERVATION PLAN MAP

OUR SOIL - OUR STRENGTH



Prepared by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT of AGRICULTURE * SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

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S.C. DISTRICT

Department of Water Resources
Region Office

OWNER James Mechem

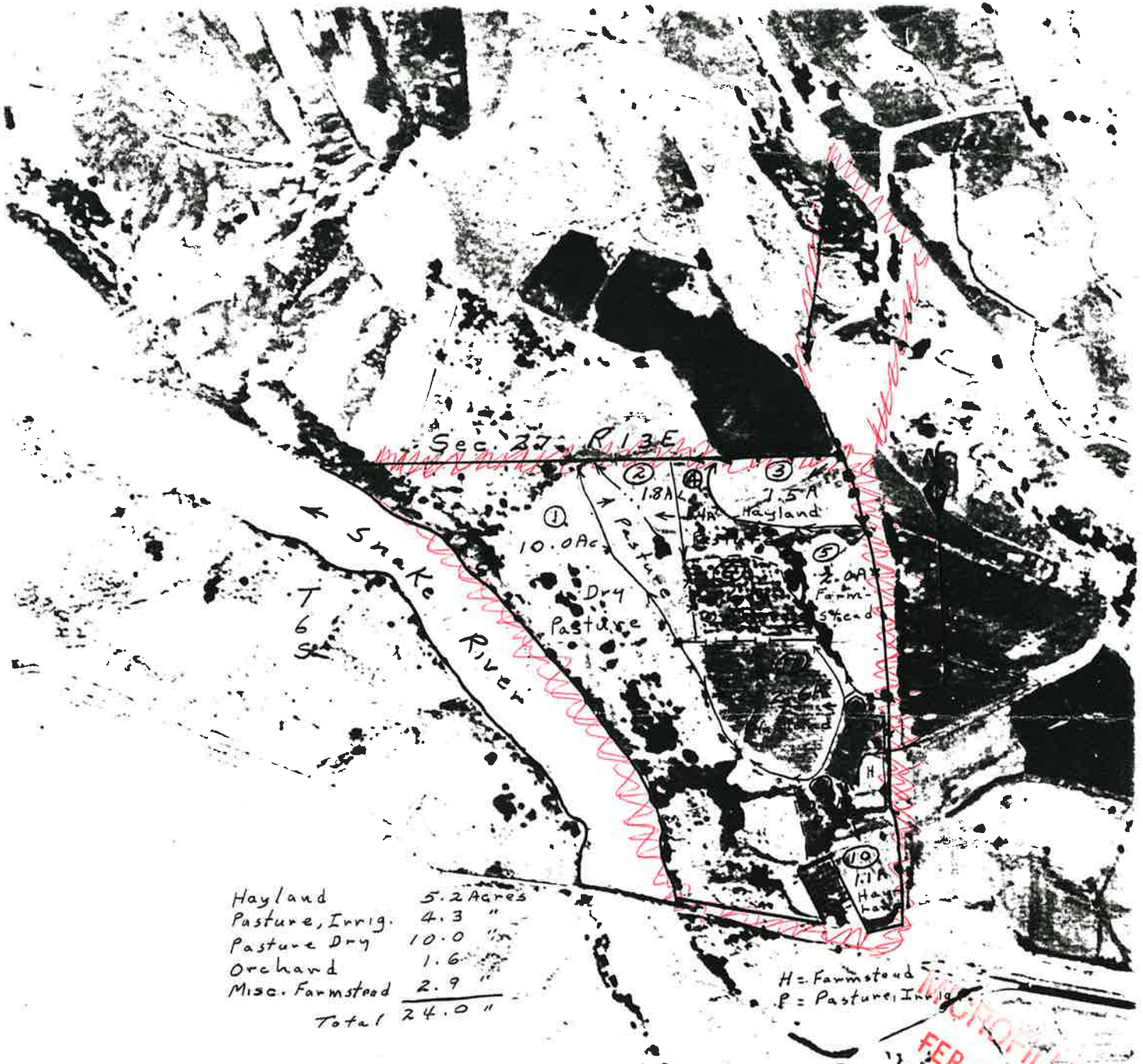
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OPERATOR Gooding

SCALE 1 in = 401' ACRES 24

Idaho

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