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JIM KNECHT
1701 OLD HIGHWAY 95
GENESEE ID 83832

RE: Evidence of Priority Date for Notice of Claim to a Water Right Numbers 87-10607 & 87-10608

Dear Mr. Knecht:

Your claims are based on a "beneficial use". Water rights of this type are established by the historic use of water, dating back to when water was first used for the purpose claimed, and are termed beneficial use rights. The date of first use, known as the priority date, has not been confirmed by a License, Decree or Permit. Since the priority date and historic use of a beneficial use right cannot be confirmed by field examination, proof must be provided by the claimant supporting the priority date claimed and the historic use of the water. The types of evidence which may be used include well drilling reports, taxlot data, receipts for materials purchased, certificate of occupancy, or a statement from an individual having first-hand knowledge of the water usage.

Also, I have several questions on claim number 87-10607, the claim for stockwater storage – please describe the dimensions of the storage pond, i.e. length, width and depth. Is the pond on-stream or is water diverted from the stream to the pond? If so, please describe the diverting works and an estimate of the quantity used, in gallons per minute. This information can be added to the claim under item 5 Description of Diverting Works. Be sure to initial and date any changes, and re-sign the claim on the back under item 15. Do the same for claim 87-10608, if any changes are made.

I've enclosed a map of your property. Please show on the map where the well and pond are located, and where their water usage is occurring.

I would appreciate it if you would return this information to me by **March 2, 2020**. Be sure to contact me if you have any questions. I can be reached at (208) 762-2802 or by email at linda.werner@idwr.idaho.gov.

Sincerely,

Linda A. Werner
Water Resource Agent, Sr.

Enclosures: Copy of Notice of Claim Number 87-10607 & 87-10608
Map

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