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SUSAN R WILSON
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RE: Palouse River Basin Adjudication (PRBA) Claim Nos. 87-11891 & 87-11901 for Theodore Thompson

Dear Ms. Wilson:

This letter is being sent to you because you are listed as Notice of Appearance on the water right claims listed above.

The claims identified with the numbers shown above have been filed in the PRBA with a water usage based on "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.

Some examples of documents which may be used for evidence of the priority date include:

1. A statement from someone with personal knowledge of when beneficial use was first made.
2. Sales receipts for equipment or materials used in the water system or records of the person or business who sold, installed or constructed the diversion works i.e. a well driller's report.
3. Property records showing historical data of the property including a year built date.
4. Dated aerial photos showing the water usage.

Also, on claim 87-11891, item 8 – please describe the type of usage; example – industrial usage for mixing of fertilizers for use on the farm.

Map -- Please show where the diversions and place(s) of use are located.

Ponds – It appears that the property may have several ponds for which beneficial use may be shown. I've enclosed a pamphlet on Idaho water rights, should there be a need to appropriate a water permit.

Please return this information to my attention at the address listed above as soon as possible by January 25, 2021. 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.

Enclosure(s): Map, Brochure on Idaho Water Rights