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JAMES MENGELKAMP
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RE: Palouse River Basin Adjudication (PRBA) Claim No. 87-11619
Source and Point of Diversion Clarification

Dear Mr. Mengelkamp:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) is in the process of reviewing Notice of Claim to a Water right 87-11619. The claim contained a complementary affidavit from you stating that the stockwater ponds were established by your father and brother in 1953. Review of aerial imagery confirms the existence of the 2 ponds. However, it is unclear where the stock may source water from. Notice of Claim 87-11619 states that the source of the water is an unnamed stream tributary to sinks but the affidavit states that stockwater ponds were constructed.

In order to complete my recommendation, I need clarification as to where the stock source their drinking water. Do the stock drink directly from the ponds? Or do the stock drink from an unnamed stream? It appears as though the ponds were constructed to provide water for the stock. If this is true, your claim will need to be amended to change the source from "unnamed stream" to "ponds".

For your reference, I have included a copy of the Notice of Claim to Water right 87-11619.

Please submit the documentation supporting the priority date within 4 weeks; by **February 24, 2021**. Also, **please include the corresponding Notice number (87-10226) with all relevant documents.** If you have any questions not covered by this letter or the enclosed pamphlet, please feel free to contact me at (208) 287-4913.

Respectfully,

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Enclosures: Copy of Notice of Claim 87-11619