

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

In Re SRBA

Case No. 39576

A. Subcase 67-15267
(Insert water right number)

**STANDARD FORM 1
OBJECTION**

Please fill in the following information:

B. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON OBJECTING

Name: United States of America acting through the Department of Interior,
Bureau of Land Management, Idaho State Office

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United States Department of Justice
Environment and Natural Resource Division
Natural Resources Section
550 West Fort Street, MSC 033
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C. CLAIMANT OF WATER RIGHT AS LISTED IN DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Name: Keith R. Hood
Karen M. Hood
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Cambridge, ID 83610-0100

D. I object to the following elements as recommended in the Director's Report. (Please check the appropriate box(es)).

1. ☐ **Name and Address**

Should be:

2. ☐ **Source**

Should be:

3. ☐ **Quantity**

Should be:

4. ☒ **Priority Date**

Should be: See attached.

5. ☐ **Point(s) of Diversion**

Should be:

6. ☐ **Instream Flow Description**

Should be:

7. ☐ **Purpose(s) of Use**

Should be:

8. ☐ **Period of Year**

Should be:

9. ☐ **Place of Use**

Should be:

10. **I object because:**

☐ This water right should not exist.

☐ This water right was not recommended, but should be recommended with the elements described above.

E. REASONS SUPPORTING OBJECTION(S):

The claimant does not have a valid water right with the elements claimed. 1896 priority: The evidence submitted by the claimants does not support the 1896 date of priority recommended by IDWR. General grazing activities that occurred on federal land prior to patents being issued for what is now the claimants' base property were not conveyed to the claimant's predecessors. Homesteaders who received patents from the U.S. for claimants' base property would have established their own separate priority dates for water uses. Most junior priority: The earliest patent for base property was issued was in 1908 to David G. Edwards, however

it was Charles R. Edwards who submitted a grazing application with DOI and he didn't receive a Patent until 1911 (Patent 222034, 08-24-1911). Claimant Base property originally patented to Nielson, Braden, and Anna Edwards wouldn't have been grazed by Charles R. Edwards until after he acquired those parcels. There is no evidence that these patentees grazed federal land. When multiple water uses are claimed under one water claim, the priority assigned is the most junior of the uses (i.e., Patent 759345 issued 06-25-1920). Forfeited due to non-use (1993-2014): The claimants' immediate predecessor, Dotson, leased his base property to Charles Edwards. The lease agreements cover the period from 1993 to 2019. The claimant's purchase the base property from Dotson in late 2012 and filed for a grazing permit in 2013. The claimant's did not graze cattle under their grazing permit in 2013 or 2014.

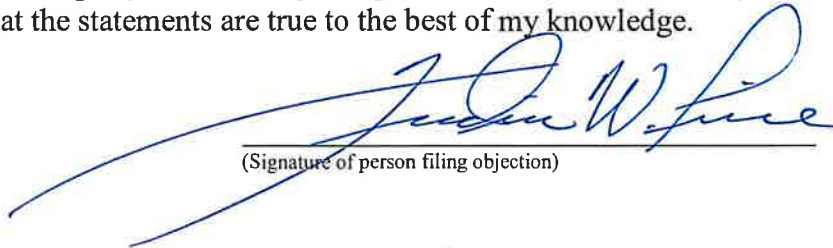
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VERIFICATION (Must be Completed)

State of Idaho)
) ss.
County of ADA)

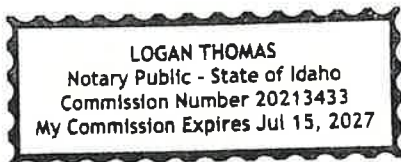
Fredric W. Price, Water Rights Specialist, duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and says:
(Name of person filing objection)

That I am the party/claimant filing this objection, as defined by I.C. §§ 42-1401A(1) and (6) or that I am the attorney for the party/claimant objecting and that I have read this objection, know its contents and believe that the statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

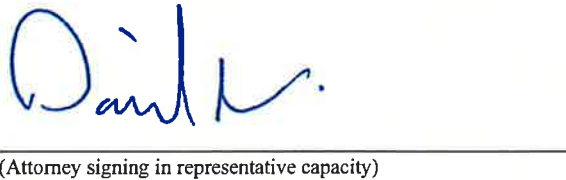

(Signature of person filing objection)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on: 11/23/2021


Logan Thomas



Notary Public for Idaho
Residing at: Boise
My Commission Expires: 07-15-2027


(Attorney signing in representative capacity)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAILING

You must mail the objection, to the Clerk of the Court. **FAX filings will not be accepted.**
You must also send a copy to all the parties listed below in the Certificate of Mailing.

G.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that on 11/01/23, 2021, I mailed the original and copies of this objection, including all attachments, to the following persons:

1. Original to:

Clerk of the District Court *-hand delivered*
Snake River Basin Adjudication
253 Third Avenue North
P.O. Box 2707
Twin Falls, ID 83303-2707

2. One copy to the claimant of the water right at the following address:

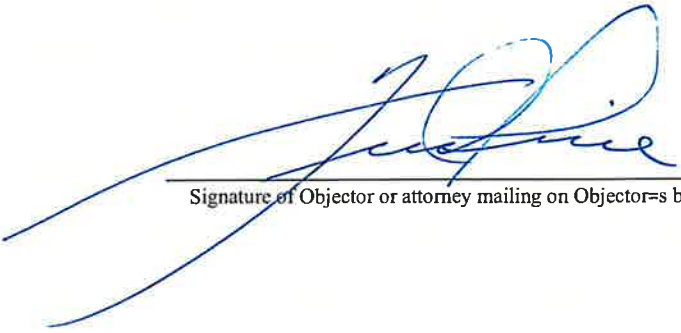
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Signature of Objector or attorney mailing on Objector=s behalf

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