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

In Re PRBA ) A. Subcase 87-7060  
)  
) (Insert water right number)  
Case No. 59576 )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )  
STANDARD FORM 1  
OBJECTION

Please print or type the following information:

## B. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON OBJECTING

Name: United States of America, as trustee on behalf of the Nez Perce Tribe and

Allottees of the Nez Perce Indian Reservation acting through Regional Director,

Northwest Region Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs

Address: 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232

Daytime Phone: 303-844-1378 (attorney phone number)

Name &amp; Address of Attorney, if any:

Katherine M. Kane

United States Department of Justice - ENRD

Indian Resources Section

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## C. CLAIMANT OF WATER RIGHT AS LISTED IN DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Name: Lucinda L. and Paul C. Agidius

Address: 1155 Crumarine Loop

Moscow, ID 83843-8104

**D.** I object to the following elements or general provision 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: up to half of natural spring flow (see Federal I.D. # 1095) \_\_\_\_\_
4. ☐ **Priority Date**  
Should be: \_\_\_\_\_
5. ☐ **Point of Diversion**  
Should be: \_\_\_\_\_
6. ☐ **Instream Flow Beginning and Ending Point**  
Should be: \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☐ **Purpose(s) of Use**  
Should be: \_\_\_\_\_
8. ☐ **Period of Year**  
Should be: \_\_\_\_\_
9. ☐ **Place of Use**  
Should be: \_\_\_\_\_
10. ☐ **General Provision** ☐ Individual Water Right ☐ All Water Rights  
☐ Should not be recommended.  
☐ This general provision was not recommended but should be recommended as described below.  
Should be: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ General provision was recommended but should be modified as described below.  
Should be: \_\_\_\_\_

11. ☐ **I object** because the recommendation contains an accomplished transfer under Idaho Code § 42-1425 resulting in injury to my water right(s) and/or enlargement of the original right.

12. ☐ **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):** A large portion of the Palouse River Basin  
includes lands ceded by the Nez Perce Tribe ("Tribe") in the Treaty of 1863 between the United States of America  
and the Nez Perce Indians, U.S.-Nez Perce Indians, June 9, 1863, 14 Stat. 647 ("1863 Treaty"). In Article VIII of  
the Treaty of 1863, the United States and Tribe reserved the use of the springs and fountains on the ceded lands as  
follows: "The United States also agree to reserve all springs or fountains not adjacent to, or directly connected  
with, the streams or rivers within the lands hereby relinquished, and to keep back from settlement or entry so much  
of the surrounding land as may be necessary to prevent the said springs or fountains being enclosed; and, further,  
to preserve a perpetual right of way to and from the same, as watering places, for the use in common of both  
whites and Indians." Based on the "in common" language in Article VIII, the United States, as trustee for the  
Tribe, has claimed up to half the natural spring flow with a priority date of time immemorial based on the Tribe's  
aboriginal use of springs. Therefore, the United States objects to this claim to the extent it fails to recognize the  
corresponding federal claim for up to half of natural spring flow.

(Signature of person filing objection)



(Attorney signing in representative capacity)

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAILING

You must mail the Objections, 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.

### F. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that on January 6, 2022, I mailed the original and copies of this objection, including all attachments, to the following persons:

1. Original to: Clerk of the District Court  
Palouse River Basin Adjudication  
252 Third Avenue North  
PO Box 2707  
Twin Falls, ID 83303-2707

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

Name: Lucinda L. and Paul C. Agidius

Address: 1155 Crumarine Loop  
Moscow, ID 83843-8104

3. Copies to:

IDWRD Document Depository  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0098

United States Department of Justice  
Environment and Natural Resources Div.  
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Chief, Natural Resources Division  
Office of Attorney General  
State of Idaho  
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Signature of Objector or attorney  
Mailing on Objector's behalf