

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 19, 2022
To: Transfer 85878
From: Michael Holliday
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer changes the period and nature of use of a 1.2-acre portion of right 22-7077 to cover the evaporative losses associated with a pond. A 4.5-acre portion of the right is proposed to be held unused for 1 year to mitigate for the initial fill of the pond. The transfer also makes some small changes to the combined place of use for 22-7257, 22-7363, and the remainder of 22-7077.

Authority to File:

The applicant provided a warranty deed demonstrating ownership of the water rights. Ownership will be updated in the transfer. The applicant also showed that Robert Fedoris is authorized to sign on behalf of the company.

Water Right Validity:

Water rights 22-7257, 22-7363, and 22-7077 were decreed in the SRBA in 2008. Climate Engine was used to confirm regular irrigation of the place of use since 2008. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The proposed 1.2-acre reduction in irrigated acres is adequate to mitigate for the annual evaporation loss associated with the pond. The remaining irrigation rights are simply being rearranged in the vicinity of the current place of use. The proposed changes will not reduce the quantity of water available to other water rights. The application was advertised and no protests were received.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed uses will not result in enlargement because enough acreage was removed from the current place of use to offset the increase in consumptive use from the pond. Also, the total authorized rate, volume, and acreage will not increase.

Local Public interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Effect on Economy the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Effect on Agricultural Base of the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.