

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 28, 2022
To: Transfer 85767
From: Anna Kaiser
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

Summary of Proposal:

The applicant is contracted to purchase 2 acres of water right 35-7720. Transfer 85767 proposes changes to the 2 acres under contract.

The approval of transfer 85767 will result in a split of WR 35-7720. The proposed POD and POU of the split portion of right 35-7720 is in basin 23 and will therefore be assigned the water right number 23-11515 upon transfer approval.

Transfer 85767 proposes partial nature of use change in water right 23-11515 to include storage uses as follows:

<u>Beneficial Use Pre-Transfer</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Diversion Rate</u>	<u>Volume</u>
IRRIGATION	04/15	10/31	0.04 CFS	8 AF

<u>Totals:</u>			0.04 CFS	8AF
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<u>Beneficial Use Post-Transfer</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Diversion Rate</u>	<u>Volume</u>
IRRIGATION	04/15	10/31	0.03 CFS	6 AF
DIVERSION TO STORAGE	04/15	10/31	0.01 CFS	
AESTHETIC STORAGE	01/01	12/31		1 AF

<u>Totals:</u>			0.04 CFS	7 AF
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Transfer 85767 will result in abandonment of the 2-acre portion of water right 1-7017 overlapping the 2 acres of 35-7702 to be split and transferred.

Contact person for this transfer is representative Rocky Mountain Water Environment Associates, Inc. 208-524-2353. Kristin.rmea@gmail.com

Authority to File:

The applicant is contracted to purchase the portion of water right 35-7720 involved in this transfer and owns the proposed POU and therefore has the right to file this transfer

Water Right Validity:

Water right 35-7720 was decreed on January 12, 2004 and has been leased to the water supply bank since 2019.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Injury is not anticipated.

This transfer was advertised in the local newspaper and received no protests by local water users.

ESPA modeling shows that impacts to the Snake River would be less than 2 AF per trimester, so not mitigation is required.

Enlargement of Use:

Transfer is not anticipated to enlarge use.

Applicant proposes a 0.8-acre pond with a total volume of 3.8 AF. The initial fill of the pond will be achieved through shallow ground water and will be mitigated by water rented from the water supply bank (application submitted simultaneously with this transfer for Spring of 2022).

The aesthetic storage uses described in this transfer will require 1.0 AF to cover evaporative losses from the pond. 0.5 acres of right 23-11515 will be retired to mitigate for 1.0 AF of evaporative losses.

The remaining 1.5 acres will remain as irrigation use for land on the applicant's property.

Local Public Interest:

No evidence suggests this transfer is inconsistent with the local public interest.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:

The application proposes beneficial use consistent with conservation of water resources in Idaho.

Effect on Economy and/or Agricultural Base on Local Area:

No evidence suggests this transfer will hinder local economy or agricultural base.

The application is consistent with criteria of I. C. § 42-222 and should be processed.