

MEMORANDUM

Date: January 19, 2022
To: Transfer 85513
From: James Cefalo
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to replace one of three wells used supply water for industrial use at a potato processing facility near Rexburg. The replacement well will be located in a different ten acre tract than the well to be abandoned and, therefore, requires a transfer application.

Authority to File:

The applicant is the current water right owner of record. Madison County tax lot data shows the applicant as the current owner of the proposed point of diversion. Jennifer Anderson has authority to sign on behalf of the applicant.

Water Right Validity:

The rights included in this transfer were decreed in the SRBA in 2008. Forfeiture does not appear to be an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Other rights do not appear to be injured by the proposed change. The quantity authorized to be diverted will not change as a result of the transfer. The proposed point of diversion is in an adjacent ESPA model cell as the existing points of diversion. The applicant does not have to provide a transfer tool analysis. The water master was notified and did not oppose the approval of this application. The transfer was not protested.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed change does not appear to result in enlargement because neither rate nor volume nor irrigated acreage will increase as a result of the transfer. Each water right had two conditions that were nearly identical. These conditions were consolidated into a single condition, which still contains all of the restrictions of the original two conditions.

Local Public interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:

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.