

MEMORANDUM

Date: December 11, 2020
To: Transfer 84481
From: Michael Holliday
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

The purpose of this transfer is to move a split portion of 35-8096 to provide additional stockwater at a nearby dairy.

Authority to File:

The applicant provided letters from the current water right owners authorizing the transfer of a split portion of the right. The remaining portion of the right will be retained by the current owners for domestic use. The Idaho Secretary of State webpage shows that Seth Cannon is authorized to sign on behalf of the partnership. Bingham County parcel data shows the applicant as owner of the proposed place of use.

Water Right Validity:

The right included in this transfer was decreed in the SRBA in 1998. In one letter of authorization the water right owners stated that stockwater was last used in 2015. Therefore, forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

There is no evidence that the proposed changes will reduce the quantity of water available to other water rights. The current and proposed points of diversion are located in the ESPA, but are in adjacent model cells, so an ESPA analysis is not required. The application was advertised and no protests were filed. The Water District 120 watermaster received notice of the transfer and did not oppose its approval.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed change will not result in enlargement because neither rate nor volume will increase as a result of the transfer. The water right currently allows 0.12 cfs for stockwater and 0.10 cfs for domestic use, with a total rate of 0.12 cfs. In order to prevent an enlargement in diversion rate, the water right was split to allow 0.06 cfs for stockwater and 0.06 cfs for domestic use.

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.