

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 15, 2020

To: Transfer 84267

From: Michael Holliday

Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

The purpose of this transfer is to provide the appropriate amount of water needed to mix with waste water for land application. The waste water is from a potato processing plant (right 31-7651). A 48-acre portion of right 31-2437 will be added to two existing rights to create a 91-acre combined place of use.

Authority to File:

The applicant is the current owner of rights 31-2437 and 31-7627B. The applicant also provided a special warranty deed in order to update the ownership of right 31-7370F. Stephanie Mickelsen is authorized to sign on behalf of the applicant. Jefferson County parcel data shows the applicant as owner of the current and proposed places of use.

Water Right Validity:

The rights included in this transfer were decreed in the SRBA in 2002. Review of aerial imagery shows regular irrigation of the current places of use. 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 applicant provided an ESPA model analysis which showed that mitigation is not required. The application was advertised and no protests were filed. The Water District 110 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 nor irrigated acreage will increase as a result of the transfer. In order to prevent enlargement 48 acres will no longer be irrigated at the current place of use. Right 31-10275 was also brought into the transfer as an associated right in order to reduce the combined limits with right 31-2437.

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.