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Idaho Department of Water Resources
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Subject: Water Appropriation Application #'s 86-12089 & 86-12090

DEQ received a request for comment along with a copy of two applications to appropriate 0.04 cubic feet per second of water from a well and 6 acre feet of water from a spring located on private property in Latah County. The applicant will utilize the well water for domestic and irrigation uses and will utilize the pond for water storage for fire protection and water and habitat for wildlife.

The withdrawal sites are located in Township 40N, Range 02W, and Section 7. The appropriated water will be used for domestic, irrigation, wildlife, and fire protection purposes from 01/01 to 12/31. Assuming all federal, state and local permits have been obtained, regulations met, and reviews completed, we offer the following comments.

Because we assume any water of the State which occurs beneath the surface of the earth in a saturated geological formation of rock or soil to be ground water (Idaho Code 58.01.02.010.45), we assume there to be hydrologic gradient connectivity to surface waters of the State. It is the policy of the State of Idaho Ground Water Management Plan that existing and projected beneficial uses of ground water and interconnected surface water be maintained and protected and degradation that would impair beneficial uses of ground water and interconnected surface water not be allowed.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your application. If you have any questions regarding the Idaho Water Quality Standards, please contact us at (208-799-4370, or by email at Sujata.Connell@deq.idaho.gov

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sujata Connell".

Sujata Connell
Surface Water Quality Manager

c: Michael and Sandi Barrows, Deary, ID
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