

MEMORANDUM

Date: June 1, 2020
To: Transfer 84100
From: Jeff Nield
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

The purpose of this transfer is to change the place of use of a 2.10 cfs split portion of water rights 22-309 and 22-253. The split portion will be transferred to a new place of use on property owned by the applicants.

Authority to File:

The transfer application includes a page from the purchase and sale agreement between R Little Muddy LLC (applicants) and Linderman Teton Family Ltd Partnership (water right owners) for the sale of 1.48 cfs of water right 22-309 and 0.62 cfs of water right 22-253. The purchase and sale agreement was signed by both the applicant and the current water right owner.

Water Right Validity:

The rights proposed to be transferred were decreed in the SRBA in 2008. The applicant has provided CRP contracts for the land at the current places of use. All provided CRP contracts are current and account for the acreage that will be split and transferred from the rights. Forfeiture does not appear to be an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Public notice of the proposed transfer will not be required since the point of diversion and the quantity authorized to be diverted will not change as a result of the transfer. The watermaster was made aware of the proposed changes, and he did not oppose approval of the transfer. Injury does not appear to be an issue.

Enlargement of Use:

As indicated in the Part 2B pages of the transfer application, the current owner of water rights 22-253 and 22-309 will dry up a total of 118 acres of irrigated land at the current places of use. The proposed changes will not result in an increase in any elements of the water rights. Enlargement does not appear to be an issue.

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.