

MEMORANDUM

Date: May 14, 2020
To: Transfer 83964
From: Brian Normandeau
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to change the place of use for a split portion of water rights 35-14165, 35-14167, 35-14169, 35-14171 and 35-14173. A Change of Ownership received on 12/9/2019 is being processed through this transfer. 1,570 acres of water rights were deeded to Idaho Falls Farms LLC, and the remaining 312 acres of rights remain in the ownership of Howard Taylor and Sons Inc.

Authority to File:

The transfer applicant is Idaho Falls Farms LLC. The application was signed by Charlie McNairy, who is registered with the Secretary of the State as the manager of Idaho Falls Farms LLC. The deeds included with the Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership demonstrates Idaho Falls Farms LLC ownership of the land and the split portion of the water rights.

Water Right Validity:

The rights involved in this transfer were decreed in January of 2002. Review of aerial imagery does not indicate any 5 year period of nonuse. No issues identified.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The transfer is only rearranging the place of use. No issues identified.

Enlargement of Use:

Approval of this transfer does not result in an increase to diversion rate, total volume or total irrigated acres covered by these rights. No issues of enlargement identified.

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.