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STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Ident, No. 36-17169

DEPT OF WATER RESOURCES APPLICATION FOR PERMIT To appropriate the public water of th

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2.	Name o									Phone (208) 388-2602					
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	State ID)		KDavis-Butts@ida	ahopower.com										
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DEPT OF WATER RESOURCES SOUTHERN REGION

Idaho Power Application for Permit Niagara Springs Hatchery – Irrigation

Idaho Power will be renovating and reconfiguring hatchery operations at their Niagara Springs Hatchery. Idaho Power is making this application to conform with current irrigation practices at the hatchery. Idaho Power is seeking to add 2.5 acres of additional irrigation from ground water resources at the facility. Idaho Power currently has rights to irrigate up to 2.0 acres of land under water right 36-2704. The final configuration of the hatchery will allow for the irrigation of up to 4.5 acres. This proposed water right will have a PPU of approximately 7 acres with no more than 4.5 total irrigated acres. The rational for a larger PPU is to allow for future reconfiguration of the hatchery facility without requiring a transfer to move small amounts of irrigated acres. Idaho Power can provide an accounting of acres to be irrigated if requested by the Idaho Department of Water Resources when the hatchery renovation is complete.

Idaho Power is seeking a higher diversion rate to allow for shorter set times. The irrigation system is comprised of buried underground lines and pop up sprinkler heads. To facilitate night time irrigation, an eight (8) hour set time is assumed allowing for a diversion rate of up to 0.06 cfs/acre. The total demand will not exceed 0.27 cfs or 121.5 gpm.

Idaho Power intends to mitigate for the depletions to the Snake River by idling water right 36-7104 and the consumptive irrigation portion of water right 36-2704. (see attached mitigation plan)

Idaho Power

Mitigation Plan for a Proposed Irrigation Right at the Niagara Springs Hatchery

Submitted by: Idaho Power

Representative: Kresta Davis-Butts Address: PO Box 70, Boise, Idaho 83707

Phone: (208) 388-2602

General Project Description

Idaho Power is applying for a new consumptive use irrigation right at its Niagara Springs Hatchery. The new right proposes irrigation on 4.5 acres with a total consumptive use of 18 acre-feet/year. The source water for this proposed right shall be from a ground water well located approximately 400 feet from the Snake River. Idaho Power owns an existing domestic well (water right 36-8761) at the Niagara Springs Hatchery that is located approximately 1,050 feet from river. The existing well sits at an elevation of approximately 3020 feet and the river is at an elevation of approximately 2990 feet. According to the well log, water was first encountered in the borehole between 39 feet and 52 feet below ground surface. This provides general information that the existing well may be in contact with surface water in Snake River. Given the proximity of the proposed new well, to the Snake River, it is assumed that it will be in hydraulic connection with Snake River.

Water Right 36-7104

Idaho Power owns Water Right 36-7104 for irrigation of land near Banbury Springs. The right allows for the irrigation of up to 20 acres. A partial decree for the right was issued on December 19, 2001. The water is sourced from springs that when not diverted for irrigation discharge into Morgan Lake and then into the Snake River. Morgan Lake is fed by numerous springs and seeps and the outlet of the lake is directly into the Snake River. The right has been used in the past to help establish and promote native vegetation plantings. Water is not in short supply at the site and there is adequate flow to maintain irrigation on 20 acres. Idaho Power plans to cease irrigation on the entire 20 acres that are decreed in the right.

Water Right 36-2704

Idaho Power owns water right 36-2704, sourced from Niagara Springs which includes irrigation on up to 2 acres of land at the Niagara Springs Hatchery, as well as a non-consumptive use for fish propagation and consumptive domestic uses. This right has been exercised every year since the late 1960s.

Proposed Mitigation

To mitigate for the proposed consumptive use, Idaho Power proposes to cease irrigation under water right 36-7104. All water will be allowed to discharge into Morgan Lake and then into the Snake River. Evaporative losses from the lake would be difficult to parse out amongst all sources discharging into the lake. Seven discharge measurements taken at the lake from 2014 to 2017 showed discharge varied from 63.1 cfs to 91.6 cfs with and average discharge of 76.2 cfs. The evaporative losses from lake surface attributable to irrigation diversions under 36-7104 are small given the total discharge from the lake. Any seepage loss from the lake would eventually discharge to the Snake River. Idaho Power will also cease the consumptive irrigation portion of water right 36-2704 and allow that water to be delivered to the Snake River. This application and associated mitigation plan are not intended to affect water right 36-8761 or the non-consumptive and domestic uses associated with 36-2704.



December 12, 2019

Remington Buyer Idaho Department of Water Resources 322 E Front Street, Ste 648 Boise, Idaho 83720-0098

Subject: Idaho Power Company Representation

Dear Mr. Buyer:

Kresta Davis-Butts, as representative of Idaho Power in matters associated with the company's water rights and water rentals and leases, has authorization to sign forms, applications and requests on behalf of the company. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Tess Park

Vice President of Power Supply



Customer Ad Proof

ID DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES 60002276

Order Nbr 102182

Publication	Times News		
Contact	ID DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES	PO Number	
Address 1	650 ADDISON AVE W, STE 500	Rate	Legal Notice
Address 2		Order Price	294.18
City St Zip	TWIN FALLS ID 83301	Amount Paid	0.00
Phone	2087363033	Amount Due	294.18
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Section	Legals	Start/End Dates	06/04/2020 - 06/11/2020
SubSection		Insertions	2
Category	50 Legal	Size	196
Ad Key	102182-1	Salesperson(s)	Ruby Aufderheide
Keywords	36-17169, 47-17716, 47-17717 Transfer 83908	Taken By	Ruby Aufderheide
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Ad Proof

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 36-17169

IDAHO POWER COMPANY

PO BOX 70

BOISE, ID 83707-0070

Point of Diversion L9(NESENE) S10 T09S R15E GOODING County Source GROUND WATER Tributary

Use: IRRIGATION 03/15 to 11/15 0.27 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.27 CFS
Date Filed: 05-08-2020
Place Of Use: IRRIGATION
TOSS R15E S10 L1(NENE), L9(SENE), L9(NENE)
TOSS R15E S11 L11(NWNW), L11(SWNW)

Total Acres: 7

Application for permit proposes diverting up to 0.27 cfs from a proposed well for the irrigation of 4.5 acres within a 7.0 acre permissible place of use. A mitigation plan was submitted permissible place of use. A mitigation plan was submitted proposing to cease irrigation under water right 36-7104 and irrigation under water right 36-2704. Place of use and point of diversion are located approximately 4.2 to 4.5 miles north and 4.3 to 4.5 miles east of Buhl. This application proposes to appropriate trust water and will be evaluated in compliance with Section 42-203C, Idaho Code, and IDWR's Water Appropriation Rules, IDAPA 37.03.08.

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PO BOX 127
TWIN FALLS, ID 83303-0127
Point of Diversion SWSENW S26 T10S R17E TWIN FALLS
County Source DRAIN TUNNEL Tributary ROCK CREEK
Use: INDUSTRIAL 06/02 to 09/14 7.4 CFS
Total Diversion: 7.4 CFS

Date Filed: 04-24-2020

Place Of Use: INDUSTRIAL

T10S R17E S26 NENW

Application for permit proposes diversion of up to 7.4 cfs from a drain tunnel located approximately 1.5 miles south and 0.3 mile east of the intersection of Eastland Drive and Kimberly Road in rom 6/2 to 9/14. This application proposes to appropriate trust water and will be evaluated in compliance with Section 42-203C, Idaho Code, and IDWR's Water Appropriation Rules, IDAPA 37.03.08.

47-17717

AMALGAMATED SUGAR COMPANY

PO BOX 127 TWIN FALLS, ID 83303-0127

Point of Diversion NESENW S26 T10S R17E TWIN FALLS County Source ROCK CREEK Tributary SNAKE RIVER Use: INDUSTRIAL

Proof of legal notice received from Times News 5/28/2020 (2 pgs)



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Order Nbr 102182

06/02 to 09/14 7.4 CFS Total Diversion: 7.4 CFS Date Filed: 04-24-2020 Place Of Use: INDUSTRIAL T10S R17E S26 NENW

Application for permit proposes diversion of up to 7.4 cfs from Rock Creek at a point located approximately 1.3 miles south and 0.5 mile east of the intersection of Eastland Drive and Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Non-consumptive Industrial use is at an adjacent sugar beet processing plant with a proposed season of use from 6/2 to 9/14. This application proposes to appropriate trust water and will be evaluated in compliance with

appropriate trust water and will be evaluated in compliance with Section 42-203C, Idaho Code, and IDWR's Water Appropriation Rules, IDAPA 37.03.08.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

TRANSFER NO. 83908

EDDIE BAKER JR; BAKER FAMILY TRUST, C/O EDWIN BAKER JR TRUSTEEHC No. 83908 for changes to the following water rights within CUSTER County(s): Right No(s). 72-10302A, 72-10303, 72-10304, 72-16779. The purpose of the transfer is to change a 72-10304, 72-16779. The purpose of the transfer is to change a portion of the above rights as follows: Application for transfer proposes to change one of the points of diversion (POD) for a group of four irrigation rights with a combined flow rate of 10.2 cfs from the existing POD located on the East Fork of the Salmon River. The existing POD is located approximately 9.4 miles south and 1.2 miles west of Clayton and the new POD will be located approximately 0.2 mile upstream on the East Fork of the Salmon River. Published in Challis Messenger on June 3rd & 10th & Times News, Idaho Statesman, Post Register & Lewiston Tribune on June 4th & 11th, 2020

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property locations, contact Southern Region office at (208) 736-3033; or for a full description of the rights &/or proposed transfer, please see https://research.idwr.idaho.gov. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-222 and 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Southern Region, 650 ADDISON AVE W, STE 500, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301-5858 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before June 22, 2020. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

the protest to the applicant.
GARY SPACKMAN, Director Published on June 4th & 11th, 2020



State of Idaho DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

SOUTHERN Region • 650 ADDISON AVE W STE 500 • TWIN FALLS, ID 83301-5858

Phone: (208)736-3033 • Fax: (208)736-3037 • Website: www.idwr.idaho.gov

Gary Spackman Director

May 28, 2020

IDAHO POWER COMPANY ATTN: KRESTA DAVIS BUTTS PO BOX 70 BOISE, ID 83707-0070

RE: Application for Permit No. 36-17169

Dear Applicant(s):

The Department of Water Resources has received your water right application. Please refer to the number referenced above in all future correspondence regarding this application.

A legal notice of the application has been prepared and is scheduled for publication in the **TIMES NEWS on 6/4/2020 and 6/11/2020**. Protests to this application may be submitted for a period ending ten (10) days after the second publication. Any protest against this application must be filed with the Department of Water Resources, together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application, on or before **June 22, 2020**.

If the application is protested, you will be sent a copy of each protest. All protests must be resolved before the application can be considered for approval. If the protest(s) cannot be resolved voluntarily, the Department will conduct a conference and/or hearing on the matter.

If the application is not protested, the Department will process your application and notify you of any action taken on the application. If your application is approved, the Department will send you a copy of the permit.

Please contact this office if you have any questions regarding the application.

Sincerely,

Denise Maline

Denise Maline Administrative Assistant

State of Idaho DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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Gary Spackman Director

May 28, 2020

Governor

WATER DISTRICT 130 NATHAN ERICKSON 650 ADDISON AVE W STE 500 TWIN FALLS, ID 83301-5858

RE: Application for Permit No. 36-17169 (Idaho Power Company)

Dear Nathan:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) is seeking written comment and/or recommendations from you regarding the above referenced water right application. You can find a copy of the application at:

https://idwr.idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/WRAJSearch/WRADJSearch.aspx. Please review the application, then complete the enclosed recommendation form and return it to this office within 21 days of the date of this letter.

If the application is approved, IDWR will include appropriate standard conditions of approval for a water right located within a water district, such as regulation by the watermaster, lockable controlling works, and/or measuring devices. Any special conditions or other concerns you have related to this application should be specifically addressed in your recommendation.

IDWR can finish reviewing an unprotested application as soon as the protest period has past. Your prompt response to this request will ensure that your recommendation can be considered. If IDWR has not received your written recommendation within 21 days from the date of this letter, IDWR will presume that you do not oppose approval of the application and that you have no comments for IDWR to consider.

Sincerely,

Denise Maline

Denise Maline Administrative Assistant 1

Enclosure(s)

Maline, Denise

From: Maline, Denise

Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 10:56 AM

To: Times News Subject: LEGAL NOTICE

Attachments: Times News cover letter.docx; Times News ad.docx

Attached please find (1) legal notice being submitted for publication on June 4th & 11th, 2020. Please let me know if there are any questions or if you are not able to run the ad on the dates requested.

Thank you in advance,

Denise @ IDWR Twin Falls

Denise Maline

Administrative Assistant I
Idaho Dept of Water Resources, Southern Region
650 Addison Ave W, Ste 500
Twin Falls, ID 83301
(208) 293–9908

denise.maline@idwr.idaho.gov



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Gary Spackman Director

May 28, 2020

LEGAL NOTICE DEPARTMENT TIMES NEWS PO BOX 548 TWIN FALLS, ID 83303-0548

RE: Application for Permit No. 36-17169, 47-17716, 47-17717

RE: Transfer No. 83908

Water Right No(s). 72-10302A, 72-10303, 72-10304, 72-16779

Dear Legal Notice Department:

Please publish the enclosed legal notice on the dates indicated (once a week for two consecutive weekly issues). If you cannot publish the notice on the proposed dates, please contact us immediately.

An affidavit of publication must be submitted to the Department along with the publication bill. Please send the affidavit and bill to this office before June 22, 2020. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Denise Maline

Denise Maline Administrative Assistant

Enclosure(s)

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:

36-17169

IDAHO POWER COMPANY

PO BOX 70

BOISE, ID 83707-0070

Point of Diversion L9(NESENE) S10 T09S R15E GOODING County Source GROUND WATER Tributary

Use: IRRIGATION 03/15 to 11/15 0.27 CFS

Total Diversion: 0.27 CFS Date Filed: 05-08-2020 Place Of Use: IRRIGATION

T09S R15E S10 L1(NENE), L9(SENE), L9(NENE)

T09S R15E S11 L11(NWNW), L11(SWNW)

Total Acres: 7

Application for permit proposes diverting up to 0.27 cfs from a proposed well for the irrigation of 4.5 acres within a 7.0 acre permissible place of use. A mitigation plan was submitted proposing to cease irrigation under water right 36-7104 and irrigation under water right 36-2704. Place of use and point of diversion are located approximately 4.2 to 4.5 miles north and 4.3 to 4.5 miles east of Buhl. This application proposes to appropriate trust water and will be evaluated in compliance with Section 42-203C, Idaho Code, and IDWR's Water Appropriation Rules, IDAPA 37.03.08.

47-17716

AMALGAMATED SUGAR COMPANY

PO BOX 127

TWIN FALLS, ID 83303-0127

Point of Diversion SWSENW S26 T10S R17E TWIN FALLS County Source DRAIN TUNNEL Tributary ROCK CREEK

Use: INDUSTRIAL 06/02 to 09/14 7.4 CFS

Total Diversion: 7.4 CFS
Date Filed: 04-24-2020
Place Of Use: INDUSTRIAL
T10S R17E S26 NENW

Application for permit proposes diversion of up to 7.4 cfs from a drain tunnel located approximately 1.5 miles south and 0.3 mile east of the intersection of Eastland Drive and Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Non-consumptive Industrial use is at an adjacent sugar beet processing plant with a proposed season of use from 6/2 to 9/14. This application proposes to appropriate trust water and will be evaluated in compliance with Section 42-203C, Idaho Code, and IDWR's Water Appropriation Rules, IDAPA 37.03.08.

47-17717

AMALGAMATED SUGAR COMPANY

PO BOX 127

TWIN FALLS, ID 83303-0127

Point of Diversion NESENW S26 T10S R17E TWIN FALLS County Source ROCK CREEK Tributary SNAKE RIVER

Use: INDUSTRIAL 06/02 to 09/14 7.4 CFS

Total Diversion: 7.4 CFS
Date Filed: 04-24-2020
Place Of Use: INDUSTRIAL
T10S R17E S26 NENW

Application for permit proposes diversion of up to 7.4 cfs from Rock Creek at a point located approximately 1.3 miles south and 0.5 mile east of the intersection of Eastland Drive and Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Non-consumptive Industrial use is at an adjacent sugar beet processing plant with a proposed season of use from 6/2 to 9/14. This application proposes to appropriate trust water and will be evaluated in compliance with Section 42-203C, Idaho Code, and IDWR's Water Appropriation Rules, IDAPA 37.03.08.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT TRANSFER NO. 83908

EDDIE BAKER JR; BAKER FAMILY TRUST, C/O EDWIN BAKER JR TRUSTEE; LURA HELAINA BAKER TRUSTEE HC 68 BOX 379, CLAYTON, ID 83227-9601 has filed Application No. 83908 for changes to the following water rights within CUSTER County(s): Right No(s). 72-10302A, 72-10303, 72-10304, 72-16779. The purpose of the transfer is to change a portion of the above rights as follows: Application for transfer proposes to change one of the points of diversion (POD) for a group of four irrigation rights with a combined flow rate of 10.2 cfs from the existing POD located on the East Fork of the Salmon River. The existing POD is located approximately 9.4 miles south and 1.2 miles west of Clayton and the new POD will be located approximately 0.2 mile upstream on the East Fork of the Salmon River. Published in Challis Messenger on June 3rd & 10th & Times News, Idaho Statesman, Post Register & Lewiston Tribune on June 4th & 11th, 2020

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property locations, contact Southern Region office at (208) 736-3033; or for a full description of the rights &/or proposed transfer, please see https://research.idwr.idaho.gov. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-222 and 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Southern Region, 650 ADDISON AVE W, STE 500, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301-5858 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before **June 22, 2020**. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Director Published on June 4th & 11th, 2020



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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Southern Region • 650 ADDISON AVE W STE 500 • TWIN FALLS, ID 83301-5858 Phone: (208)736-3033 • Fax: (208)736-3037 • Website: www.idwr.idaho.gov

Gary Spackman Director

May 13, 2020

IDAHO POWER CO C/O KRESTA DAVIS-BUTTS PO BOX 70 BOISE ID 83707

RE: Application for Permit to Appropriate Trust Water - No. 36-17169

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Water Resources ("Department") has received your application for permit to appropriate water and has accepted it for filing. Your application has been assigned the identification number referenced in the subject line of this letter. Please refer to that number in all future correspondence regarding this application.

Your application proposes to appropriate Trust Water as described in this letter. The special nature of the trust affects how the Department will process your application as well as some aspects of the water right that may result. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of three items specific to applications proposing to appropriate Trust Water:

- 1. Your application will be subject to additional evaluation compared to applications that do not propose the use of Trust Water. This may require you to submit additional information and to demonstrate that your application meets the statutory evaluation criteria for appropriating Trust Water.
- 2. If a water right is issued to you, it could be subject to curtailment to satisfy senior minimum stream flow water rights on the Snake River at the Murphy Gage.
- 3. If a water right is issued to you, it will be subject to a periodic term review that may impact the future use of the right.

To understand better these three items and why they apply to your application, it helps to understand what Trust Water is and how it came about.

Trust Water arose from the 1984 Swan Falls Settlement between Idaho Power Company ("IPC") and the State of Idaho ("State"). ¹ Prior to the Swan Falls Settlement, the Idaho Supreme Court determined IPC held water rights for use at Swan Falls Dam that exceeded the entire flow of the Snake River at times. This limited future upstream development of water resources in the Snake River Basin. The Swan Falls Settlement resulted in changes to Idaho Law² and to IPC's water rights. As a result of the Swan Falls Settlement and subsequent legislation and court decrees, IPC's hydropower water rights in excess of the minimum flows at Murphy Gage are held in trust by the State. This change allows future development using water that would have previously been delivered to satisfy IPC water rights at Swan Falls Dam and, therefore, would have been unavailable for upstream appropriation. The purpose of this trust is defined in Idaho Code § 42-203B as follows:

The purposes of the trust established by ... this section are to assure an adequate supply of water for all future beneficial uses and to clarify and protect the right of a user of water for power purposes ... to continue using the water pending approval of depletionary future beneficial uses.

Your application proposes a use of water that could deplete the rights placed in trust, so the State, through the Department must evaluate your proposal under the laws and rules that came after the Swan Falls Settlement. ³ In addition to the usual statutory process and evaluation criteria, the Department must also evaluate whether your application will deplete Trust Water and, if so, whether your depletion of Trust Water is in the public interest.

In addition, the availability of Trust Water and the public's interest in the use of Trust Water could change over time. The Department will periodically review rights to use Trust Water to determine if Trust Water remains available for use and if the continued use of Trust Water is in the public interest. The periodic review will occur for any right that issues from your application. A future review by the Department could terminate or limit your ability to use the right in the future.

An important aspect of the Swan Falls Settlement is that the State agreed to protect the minimum stream flows in the Snake River at the Murphy Gage.

¹ For more information, including a more complete description of the Swan Falls Settlement and resulting legislation, please see the Department's web page: https://idwr.idaho.gov/legal-actions/settlements/swan-falls/.

² Although several sections of the Idaho Code were affected, the addition of Sections 42-203B and 42-203C, Idaho Code are the changes most relevant to this discussion.

³ See Sections 42-203C and the Department's Water Appropriation Rules (IDAPA 37.03.08).

Should the flows at the Murphy Gage fall below these minimums, the water rights that use Trust Water could be curtailed to restore flow to meet those minimums.

The Department will hold your application for 14 days to allow you time to contact us if you have further questions on this topic or if you choose to withdraw your application. If the Department does not hear from you within 14 days, the Department will process your application and prepare it for publication. If you choose to withdraw your application before it is submitted for publication, you will receive a full refund of your filing fee. Refunds are not available if an application is withdrawn after advertising.

Please contact this office if you have questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Bill Mills

Senior Water Resource Agent

Bill Mills

Enclosure: Withdrawal of Application form

Mills, Bill

From: Davis-Butts, Kresta <KDavis-Butts@idahopower.com>

Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2020 4:26 PM

To: Mills, Bill

Subject: RE: Application for Permit at Niagara Springs Hatchery

Bill,

Yes, please modify the irrigation season for the company's Niagara Springs Hatchery application to align with the allowed season of 3/15 to 11/15.

Thanks, Kresta

Kresta Davis-Butts

WATER RESOURCES AND POLICY SENIOR MANAGER Idaho Power | Water Resources and Policy 208-388-2602

Email kdavisbutts@idahopower.com

From: Mills, Bill <William.Mills@idwr.idaho.gov> Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2020 4:05 PM

To: Davis-Butts, Kresta < KDavis-Butts@idahopower.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]RE: Application for Permit at Niagara Springs Hatchery

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Kresta,

There is one other question. The application indicates the irrigation is to occur from 4/1 to 10/31, however the allowed season of use for irrigation in that area is 3/15 to 11/15. Would you like to keep the irrigation period from 4/1 to 10/31 or would you like to change it to match the allowed period of use? An email clarification should be sufficient to make the change.

Thanks, Bill

From: Davis-Butts, Kresta [mailto:KDavis-Butts@idahopower.com]

Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2020 12:20 PM
To: Mills, Bill < william.Mills@idwr.idaho.gov >

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Email kdavisbutts@idahopower.com

From: Mills, Bill < William. Mills@idwr.idaho.gov>

Sent: Monday, May 11, 2020 3:23 PM

To: Davis-Butts, Kresta < KDavis-Butts@idahopower.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Application for Permit at Niagara Springs Hatchery

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