

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT No. 1067

This Lease Contract ("**Lease**") is between the Idaho Water Resource Board ("**Board**"), and

LESSOR: J R SIMPLOT CO
1099 W FRONT ST PO BOX 27
BOISE, ID 83707-0027

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WATER RESOURCES

RECITALS

1. The Board is authorized under chapter 17, title 42, Idaho Code to operate a water supply bank and to contract with lessors to act as an intermediary in facilitating the rental of water.
2. The Lessor has filed a completed application to lease water rights described below into the Water Supply Bank on forms supplied by the Idaho Department of Water Resources and received by the Department on December 03, 2019.
3. The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources has reviewed the application for compliance with the Water Supply Bank rules and has approved the Lease subject to conditions listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and contracts herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **WATER RIGHTS:** The Lessor shall lease and the Board shall accept into the Bank the Applicant's water rights described as follows:

Summary of Water Rights or Portions Leased to the Bank

| Water Right No. | Priority Date | Source | Diversion Rate (CFS) | Diversion Volume (AF) | Acres (AC) |
|------------------------------|---------------|--|----------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 2-10472 | 2/25/1963 | SNAKE RIVER, tributary to COLUMBIA RIVER | 0.30 | 60.0 | 15 |
| Combined Lease Totals | | | 0.30 | 60.0 | 15 |

2. **COMPENSATION:** The Lessor shall accept and the Board shall pay compensation determined by the amount of water rented under the following rental rate during such times as the water is rented from the Bank over the term of this Lease.

Minimum Payment Acceptable: Current Rental Rate

3. **TERM OF LEASE:** The term of this lease shall be January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2024. This Lease shall bind the parties and take effect when both parties have signed it.
4. **WATER SUPPLY BANK CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE:** The Lessor shall abide by all terms and conditions contained in the Water Supply Bank Conditions of Acceptance, attached hereto as "Attachment A" and incorporated herein by this reference.

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5. **CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT:** This lease specifies water right elements including but not limited to: diversion rates; diversion volumes; number of acres authorized to be irrigated; places of use; points of diversion; beneficial uses; and seasons of use. During the term of this lease, if a water right is administratively changed due to a water right split and renumbering, this lease may be reduced by an equal amount to reflect the water right elements as legally defined under the water right. If a lease contract cannot be reduced sufficient to reflect the legal definition of a water right as amended through a water right split and/or water right transfer, the Board may release the water right from the Water Supply Bank.
6. **ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT:** This lease is between the Board and the Lessor, who is the recognized owner or designated representative of the recognized owners of water rights described herein. Should ownership of any part of a water right herein described change during the term of this lease, either through a water right split, a water right transfer, sale of property to which the water right is appurtenant, or through any other recognized water right reassignment, the lease benefits and obligations to the conditions of acceptance for any such water rights will be assigned to the new owners.
7. **DUPLICATE ORIGINAL:** This Lease is executed in duplicate. Each of the documents with an original signature of each party shall be an original.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract on the date following their respective signatures.

LESSOR: J R SIMPLOT CO
1099 W FRONT ST PO BOX 27
BOISE, ID 83707-0027

By 
Title James B. Alderman, Senior Vice President and Secretary
Date 3-17-2020

IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD
322 East Front Street
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

By 
Brian Patton, Acting Administrator
Idaho Water Resource Board
Date 4/1/2020

Lease approved by IDWR 
Date 4/1/2020

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ATTACHMENT A
WATER SUPPLY BANK CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

The water rights or portions thereof leased to the bank are described as follows:

Source and Location of Point(s) of Diversion for Water Right No(s): 2-10472

SNAKE RIVER L 4SESWSW Sec. 22 Twp 05S Rge 04E ELMORE County

| Water Right | Beneficial Use | Season of Use | | | Diversion Rate (CFS) | Volume (AF) |
|----------------|----------------|---------------|----|-------|----------------------|-------------|
| | | From | | To | | |
| 2-10472 | IRRIGATION | 04/01 | to | 10/31 | 0.30 cfs | 60.0 AF |
| Totals: | | | | | 0.30 cfs | 60.0 AF |

PLACES OF USE TO BE IDLED UNDER THIS LEASE: IRRIGATION

| Twp | Rng | Sec | NE | | | | NW | | | | SW | | | | SE | | | | Totals |
|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--------|
| | | | NE | NW | SW | SE | NE | NW | SW | SE | NE | NW | SW | SE | NE | NW | SW | SE | |
| 04S | 04E | 31 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 15 | 15 |

Total Acres: 15

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

1. The water rights referenced above will be rented from the bank at the current rental rate.
2. There is no rental payment to the lessor of the water right if the right or a part thereof is not rented from the bank.
3. While a right is in the bank, the lessor may not use the right without approval of the Department even if the right is not rented from the bank. Any violation of the terms of this lease may result in enforcement procedures pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-351 for illegal diversion and use of water and may include civil penalties pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701B.
4. A right accepted into the bank stays in the bank until the Board releases it, or the lease term expires. A right may be released from the bank upon request, provided the Board approves the release. Unless approved by the Department, leased rights may not be immediately available for release.
5. While a water right is in the bank, forfeiture provisions are stayed pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-223(5).
6. Rental of water under this right is subject to the limitations and conditions of approval of the water right.
7. Failure of the right holder to comply with the conditions of acceptance is cause for the Director to rescind acceptance of the lease.
8. Acceptance of a right into the bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the right or any elements of the water right, or improve the status of the right including the notion of resumption of use. It does not preclude the opportunity for review of the validity of this water right in any other Department application process.

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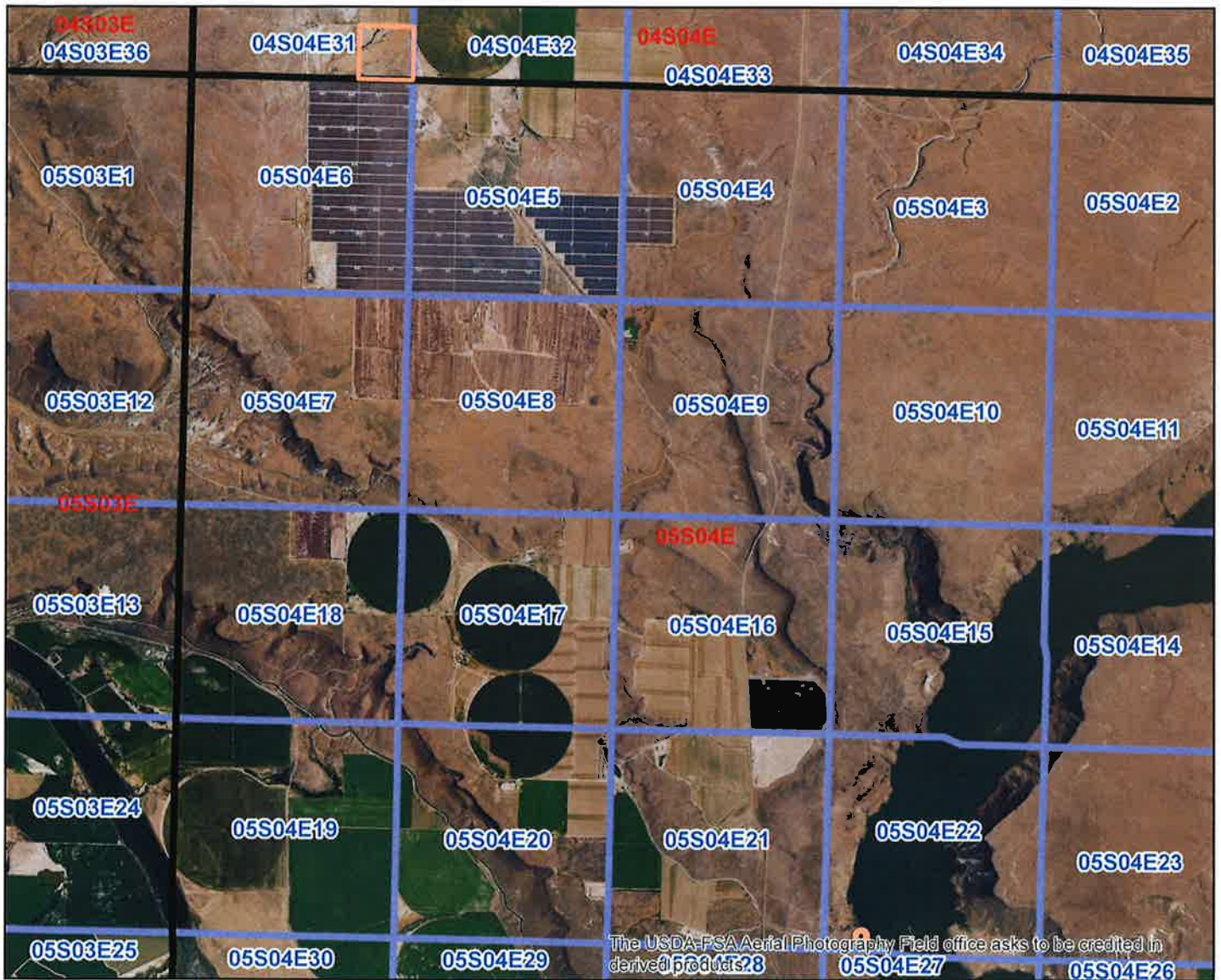
9. In accordance with Idaho Code § 42-248 and § 42-1409(6), all owners of water rights are required to notify the Department of any changes in mailing address or change in ownership of all or part of a water right. Notice must be provided within 120 days of the change.
10. If a water right leased into the Water Supply Bank is sold or conveyed during the lease term, and if the leased right was rented, the rental proceeds will be disbursed in the following manner regardless of any arrangements between the buyer(s) and seller(s) to the contrary:
 - a. Rental payments will go to the lessor(s) of record at the beginning of the rental season, even if the Department processes a Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership during the rental season.
 - b. New lessor(s) of record will receive payment for any subsequent rental seasons.
11. The water right(s) is leased to the bank subject to all prior water rights and shall be administered in accordance with Idaho law and applicable rules of the Department of Water Resources.
12. The period of use for the irrigation described in this approval may be extended to a beginning date of 3/1 and an ending date of 11/15 provided that beneficial use of the water can be shown and other elements of the right are not exceeded. The use of water before 4/1 and after 10/31 is subordinate to all water rights having no subordinated early or late irrigation use and a priority date earlier than 4/8/2008.
13. After specific notification by the Department, the right holder shall install a suitable measuring device or shall enter into an agreement with the Department to use power records to determine the amount of water diverted and shall annually report the information to the Department.
14. The following rights are diverted through point of diversion described above: 2-2220, 2-2221, 2-2222, 2-2409, 2-7040, 2-7396, 2-10471, 2-10472 and 2-10506.
15. Use of water under this agreement may be regulated by a watermaster with responsibility for the distribution of water among appropriators within a water district. At the time of this approval, this water right is within State Water District No. 161.
16. This right when combined with all other rights shall provide no more than 0.02 cfs per acre nor more than 4.0 afa per acre at the field headgate for irrigation of the place of use.
17. This right is limited to the irrigation of 15 acres within the authorized place of use in a single irrigation season.

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2-10472

Effective until December 31, 2024

This map depicts the **place of use to be idled** pursuant to the lease contract and is attached to the contract solely for illustrative purposes.



○ Approved Lease Point of Diversion

Approved Lease Place of Use

Township/Range

Sections



0 5,000 10,000 Feet

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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCESAPPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANKDesignated Applicant J. R. Simplot Company

(Select one owner – see item 1A on the application)

Water Right No. 2-10472

(One water right per application)

Is this application being submitted with a rental application as a lease/rental package?

Yes ☒ No ☐

This application must be prepared in accordance with the minimum requirement checklist below. Use this checklist to ensure all necessary documentation has been provided. This checklist is part of the lease application and must be included with the lease application. **Applications that do not meet the minimum requirements will not be processed and may be returned or denied.**

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

All items must be checked as either *Attached (Yes)* or *Not Applicable (N/A)*

Yes

- ☒ Completed *Application to Sell or Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank*.
- ☒ Application filing fee of \$250.00 per water right. If you are submitting more than one lease application and the water rights have an overlapping, common place of use, or a common diversion rate or volume, the total fee for all water rights is \$500.00. For places of use, multiple water rights must be used to irrigate the same lands in order to qualify for the joint filing fee. Individual filing fees are required for water rights that share a common permissible place of use but which cover separate acres within the permissible place of use.
- ☒ Confirmation this form has been printed **single sided**, per requirement of the Water Supply Bank.

Attachment N/A Yes

- 1A ☐ ☒ Signatures and contact information for **all owners** of the water right to be leased or sold on this application.
- 1B ☒ ☐ An Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form W-9 for the Designated Applicant.
- 1C ☒ ☐ *Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership* form (accessible from www.idwr.idaho.gov).
- 1D ☒ ☐ Contact information for an authorized representative and documentary proof they are authorized to represent the Designated Applicant on this application. If the Designated Applicant is a business, partnership, municipality, organization or association, include documents identifying officers authorized to sign or act on behalf of the entity.
- 2 ☒ ☐ Description of a water right portion offered to the Water Supply Bank.
- 3 ☐ ☒ A map that clearly outlines the specific location where irrigated acres will be dried up, or where a beneficial use of water will be suspended. You have the option of printing a map using the map tool on IDWR's website at: www.idwr.idaho.gov.
- 4A ☒ ☐ Written consent from irrigation district or water delivery company.
- 4G ☒ ☐ Evidence demonstrating the water right has not been forfeited pursuant to Section 42-222(2), Idaho Code.

Department Use Only

Fee Amount \$ 250Received By: gmhDate Received: 12-3-19Receipt # C108044W-9 received? Yes ☐ No ☒ (Route W-9 to Fiscal)Name on W-9: on file

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APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
(Continued)

1. CONTACT INFORMATION

- A. This application must be completed by a Designated Applicant who is a current owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank. If there are additional current owners, those individuals must authorize the Designated Applicant to represent them on this application by completing and signing Attachment 1A of this application package.

Designated Applicant J. R. Simplot Company

Mailing Address P. O. Box 27 Boise ID 83716
Street City State Zip Code

Email Address vic.conrad@simplot.com Phone Number 208-780-7359

☒ The Designated Applicant is the sole owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank.

OR

☐ The Designated Applicant is representing additional water right holders who have completed Attachment 1A.

- B. Has the Designated Applicant submitted an IRS Form W-9 to this Department within the last 2 years? Yes ☒ No ☐
If no, complete the form and attach to this application (Attachment 1B).

- C. Are all applicants on this form listed in IDWR's records as the current owners of the water right? Yes ☒ No ☐
If no, attach a *Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership* form along with the required documentation and fee (Attachment 1C).

- D. Is this application being completed by an authorized representative of the Designated Applicant? Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, representatives (includes employees of Designated Applicant companies) must complete this section and submit documentary proof of their authority to represent the Designated Applicant (Attachment 1D).

Name of Representative James B. Alderman Organization J. R. Simplot Company

Professional Title Sr. VP and Secretary Email Address _____

Mailing Address P. O. Box 27, Boise, ID 83707 Phone Number 208-336-2110

☒ Send all correspondence for this application to the representative and not to the Designated Applicant.

OR

☐ Send original correspondence to the Designated Applicant and copies to the representative.

2. DESCRIPTION OF WATER RIGHT OFFERED TO THE BANK

☒ The full water right is being offered to the Bank.

OR

☐ A part of the water right is being offered to the Bank.

If a portion of the water right is being offered, **complete Attachment 2.**

3. MAP

Attach a map of the point(s) of diversion and place(s) of use proposed to be idled by this lease application. Make sure the idled place of use is outlined and annotated with legal land descriptions (Township, Range, Section and Quarter-Quarters) or with GPS coordinates. For irrigation purposes, mark the number of acres you desire to idle. If the water right proposed for lease is located within a permissible place of use (PPU) and portions of the PPU will continue to receive water from non-leased water rights, clearly outline on a map the acres within the PPU that will continue to be irrigated, as well as acres that will be idled during the lease term. Label the map **Attachment 3.**

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APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
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4. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. Is the diversion works or system owned or managed by an irrigation district or water delivery company? Yes ☐ No ☒
If yes, provide written consent from the company, corporation or irrigation district authorizing the proposed sale or lease (Attachment 4A).

If your water right is delivered through a canal, lateral or ditch operated by a canal company, irrigation district, or similar delivery entity, your lease request must include written consent from the company, district, or similar entity for your removal of water from its system pursuant to [Section 42-108, Idaho Code](#) and [IDAPA WSB Rule 37.02.03.25.02e](#).

- B. Please provide a description of the current water diversion and delivery system.
Water Right 2-10472 is currently leased to the Water Supply Bank. This application seeks approval to extend the lease for an additional 5 year term.

- C. Describe any other water rights used for the same purpose at the same place of use as the water right being offered to the Bank. 61-2163 and 61-7170 - both are in currently leased to the Water Supply Bank.

- D. Are any of the water rights identified in Section 4C stacked with the water right proposed for lease? Yes ☐ No ☒
Stacked water rights are used together to achieve a common beneficial use, such as irrigation of the same lands. Stacked water rights cannot be separated and must be jointly leased to the Water Supply Bank. Stacked water rights qualify for the multiple fee payment of \$500.

- E. Will the present place of use continue to receive water from any other source? Yes ☐ No ☒
If yes, explain the relationship between the different water sources and how enlargement of the authorized use will not occur if this water right is leased. _____

- F. Identify annual volumes and/or rates of water diverted in the last 5 years to accomplish the beneficial use authorized by this water right. Water Right 2-10472 is currently leased to the Water Supply Bank.

- G. Has any portion of this water right undergone a period of five or more consecutive years of non-use? Yes ☐ No ☒
If yes, describe the circumstances and attach evidence to demonstrate how the water right has not been lost through forfeiture (Attachment 4G). See [Section 42-223, Idaho Code](#) for exceptions to forfeiture. Your application may be denied if forfeiture concerns are not addressed. _____

- H. Is this water right involved in any other IDWR process, such as an application for transfer or a mitigation plan?
If yes, describe. Yes ☐ No ☒

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5. SALE/LEASE AGREEMENT

A. Is the water right, or portion thereof, offered to the Idaho Water Resource Board (IWRB) for sale ☐ or lease ☒?

If lease, specify the years when the use of water will be suspended: 2020 to 2025 (maximum lease period 5 calendar years).
(Year) (Year)

B. Show the minimum payment acceptable to the seller/lessor. The minimum payment may be shown as the "current rental rate" as established by the IWRB. Include the method of determining the minimum payment if other than the current rental rate.
Current Rental Rate.

I hereby assert that the information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge, and that I have the authorities necessary to offer this water right for sale or lease to the Idaho Water Resource Board.

The Designated Applicant acknowledges the following:

1. Payment to the Designated Applicant is contingent upon the sale or rental of the water right from the Bank.
2. While a water right is in the Bank, the seller/lessor of the water right may not use the water right, even if the water right is not rented from the Bank.
3. A water right accepted into the Bank stays in the Bank until the Designated Applicant receives written confirmation from the Board or Water Supply Bank that the water right has been released from the Bank.
4. While a water right is in the Bank, forfeiture is stayed.
5. Acceptance of a water right into the Bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the water right or any element of the water right.



Signature of Designated Applicant

James B. Alderman, Assistant Secretary

Printed Name

November 25, 2019

Date

Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

Date

Mail to:
Idaho Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

15 Acres Under 2-10472 Available for Water Supply Bank



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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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Governor

GARY SPACKMAN
Director

April 3, 2020

J R SIMPLOT
1099 W FRONT ST
PO BOX 27
BOISE ID 83707-0027

RE: **WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT 1067
FOR WATER RIGHTS 2-10472**

Dear Lessor:

Water right **2-10472** was leased into the Water Supply Bank (Bank) as of January 1, 2020, in accordance with the enclosed executed lease contract. **Your water right, as described on the lease contract, are considered leased into the Bank and should remain unused until they are formally released from the Bank.** More information and further restrictions placed on your water rights while leased can be found in conditions of acceptance of the lease contract. Read the conditions of acceptance carefully.

The right will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2024**, unless the right is released earlier by the Water Resource Board (Board). On behalf of the Board, the Department of Water Resources (Department) can evaluate an early release of the lease contract upon your request. To release the water rights from the Bank prior to the release date, submit a written request on the *Request to Release a Water Right from the Bank* form. This form is available on our public website at www.idwr.idaho.gov. **Please note your water rights may not be available for immediate release if they have been rented or are being considered for a future rental. Furthermore, it is at the discretion of the Department whether or not a water right can be released early from a lease contract.**

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact this office at bank@idwr.idaho.gov or 208-287-4800.

Sincerely,

Water Supply Bank

Enclosure: Executed Lease Contract

c: IDWR- Western Region
Water District No. 02



J.R. Simplot Company
P.O. Box 27, Boise, Idaho
83707 0027

1099 West Front Street
Boise, Idaho 83702

Vic.conrad@simplot.com
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208 780 7333 Fax

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March 17, 2020

State of Idaho
Department of Water Resources
322 E. Front Street, Suite 648
P. O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720

Re: IDWR Water Right 2-10472; Water Supply Bank Contract 1067.

Enclosed are duplicate partially executed originals of the above referenced contract. Please arrange for the signature of the Idaho Water Resource Board and the IDWR, then return one fully executed original to me.

Sincerely,

Vic Conrad
Land, Water & Asset Recovery

Enclosure





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March 3, 2020

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RE: APPLICATION TO LEASE WATER RIGHT 2-10472 TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK
CONTRACT 1067

****TIME SENSITIVE RESPONSE REQUIRED****

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Water Resources has completed its review of your application to lease the above-mentioned water right to the Water Supply Bank. I have enclosed two original Water Supply Bank Lease Contracts for your review and signature. Please sign and return ALL Lease Contracts within 14 days. Upon signature and return of the contracts, the Department will also sign the original contracts and return an executed copy to you. The Lease Contract is not considered final until you and the Department have both signed.


The right will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2024**, unless the right is released earlier by the Board, or upon your request. To release the right from the Bank prior to the release date, submit a written request on the Request to Release a Water Right from the Bank form. To propose a new lease period, submit a new Application to Sell or Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank form along with applicable fees to the Department. These forms are available from any IDWR office or from our public website at <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov>. Please note your right may not be available for immediate release if it has been rented.

Please review the conditions of acceptance listed on the Lease Contract, including #3 which says:

"While a right is in the bank, **the lessor may not use the right** without approval of the department even if the right is not rented from the bank. Any violation of the terms of this lease may result in enforcement procedures pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-351 for illegal diversion and use of water and may include civil penalties pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701B."

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact this office at bank@idwr.idaho.gov or 208-287-4800.

Sincerely,


Amanda Cibell
Water Supply Bank

Enclosures: Proposed Lease Contracts
Receipt # C108044

Memorandum

To: Water Right 2-10472

From: Justin Ferguson

Date: December 11, 2019

Re: Water Supply Bank Lease Application 1513

Purpose/Narrative: An application was received by the Department December 3, 2019 requesting to place the entirety of water right 2-10472 into the Bank for a full five year duration. This right was split from its parent right in 2011 and has been leased to the Bank beginning in 2014 and continuing to the end of 2019.

A previous review of the water right, including its parent water right was submitted by Dan Nelson on October 28, 2013. Historically the parent right that made up the acreage, 2-2209, had not been exercised since approximately 1991 but was protected from forfeiture while it was waiting to be decreed.

A letter from Vic Conrad indicated that at the time the right was placed into the Bank, the diversion works had not been completed such that the surface and groundwater could be used at the same place of use. Since the right has been leased to the Bank since 2014 there has not been an opportunity for the water sources to have comingled, allowing us to lease the entirety of the right without a proportionate amount of the ground water. Should there be a period of time the right is not under contract it may not be possible to continue leasing the entire right separate without evidence that the sources have not been comingled.

Authority to File: The application was signed and submitted on behalf of JR Simplot by Mr. James Alderman. Review of the water right back file indicates that Mr. Alderman is the Assistant Secretary for JR Simplot and signed the previous lease to the Bank. While it appears Mr. Alderman is able to sign on behalf of Simplot, more information may need to be requested in the future to clarify his ability to act as an agent for the company.

Water Right Validity/Forfeiture Evaluation: Review of the water right back file indicates that this right has been leased to the Bank from 2014 through 2019, previously the parent right had been leased to the Bank before portions were split through an ownership change. No concerns of validity at this time.

Injury Evaluation: No injury is apparent through this lease. The question of overall injury to the aquifer may need further investigation as this right has not been exercised to its full extent as was indicated by the report provided by Dan Nelson. Should the right be requested for rent, the historic consumptive use may also need to be determined such that it does not injure water rights within the basin.

Enlargement of Use: No enlargement is evident through the lease, proper rental review should protect against enlargement.

Local Public Interest: Staff are unaware of any local public interests that are averse to the lease.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources: The lease appears consistent with the conservation of water resources in Idaho.

Department/Watermaster Comments: Watermaster and IDWR Western Region comments will be requested.

Water Supply Bank Evaluation: Based on the information presented by the applicant, staff recommend the application be approved.