# WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT No. 1097

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

LESSOR:			RECEIVED
LESSOR.	BLAINE COUNTY SCHO	DOL DISTRICT #61	
	118 W BULLION ST		FEB 1 2 2020
	HAILEY, ID 83333	SUPPORT DATA	DEPARTMENT OF
		IN REGITALS 37-183	HATER RESOURCES

- 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 17, 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:

Water Right No.	Priority Date	Source	Diversion Rate (CFS)	Diversion Volume (AF)	Acres (AC)
37-183A	5/1/1888	BIG WOOD RIVER, tributary to MALAD RIVER	0.48	Not Stated	20.8
37-298C	9/18/1885	BIG WOOD RIVER, tributary to MALAD RIVER	0.14	Not Stated	20.8
37-334E	6/30/1884	BIG WOOD RIVER, tributary to MALAD RIVER	0.21	Not Stated	20.8
37-577BX	3/24/1883	BIG WOOD RIVER, tributary to MALAD RIVER	0.21	Not Stated	20.8
	Limit Totals				20.8
Combined	Lease Totals		1.04	Not Stated	20.8

#### Summary of Water Rights or Portions Leased to the Bank

#### Summary of Water Rights Elements Rentable From the Bank

Water Right	Diversion Rate (CFS)	Diversion Volume (AF)	Acres (Limited) (AC)	Rate Per Acre (CFS/AC)	Volume Per Acre (AF/AC)
37-577BX	0.38	72.8	20.8	0.02	3.5
37-334E	0.11	72.8	20.8	0.01	3.5
37-298C	0.17	55.3	20.8	0.01	2.7
37-183A	0.17	72.8	20.8	0.01	3.5
Combined Limit Totals	0.83	72.8	20.8	0.04	3.5

\* The water right elements rentable have been reduced from the water right elements leased to account for conveyance losses of 20 %

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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, 2021. 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.
- 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.

STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESO	JURCES
WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CO	ONTRACT No. 1097
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contrac signatures.	ct on the date following their respective
LESSOR: BLAINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61	
HAILEY, ID 83333	
By Amenland A Holmes Title <u>Superintendent</u> Date 2/12/20	
Date	
IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD 322 East Front Street	
P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0098	
By	Date 03/02/20
Lease approved by IDWR	Date 03/02/20
	1252" etc.

# WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT No. 1097

**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 Dive	ersion for Wat	ter Right No(s	): 37-183A	, 37-298C, 37-334E, 37-
<u>577BX</u>					the second s
<b>BIG WOOD RIVER</b>	SWNW	Sec. 20	Twp 03N	Rge 18E	BLAINE County

		Seas	ion of	Use	Diversion	Volume	
Water Right	Beneficial Use	From		То	Rate (CFS)	(AF)	
37-183A	IRRIGATION	04/15	to	10/31	0.48 cfs	Not Stated	
37-298C	IRRIGATION	04/15	to	10/31	0.14 cfs	Not Stated	
37-334E	IRRIGATION	04/15	to	10/31	0.21 cfs	Not Stated	
37-577BX	IRRIGATION	04/15	to	11/15	0.21 cfs	Not Stated	
				Totals:	1.04 cfs	Not Stated	

# PLACES OF USE TO BE IDLED UNDER THIS LEASE: IRRIGATION

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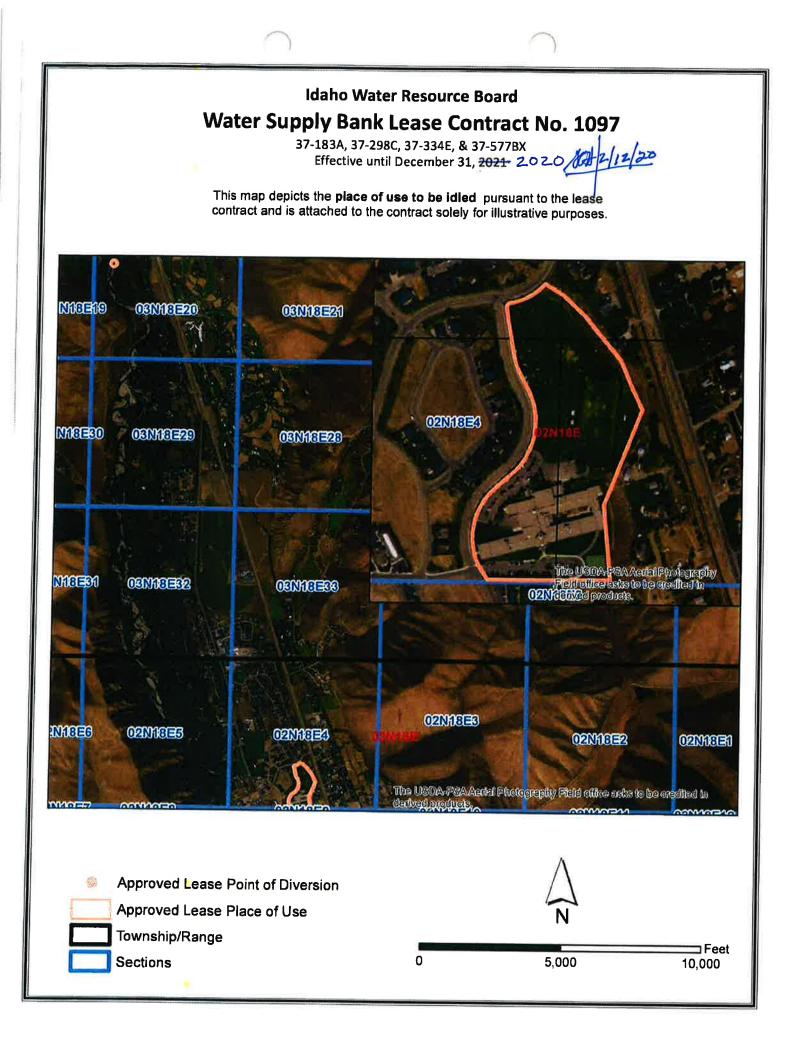
Total Acres: 20.8

#### **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 <u>not</u> 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.

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- 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.
- 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. Right Nos. 37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E and 37-557BX are limited to the irrigation of a combined total of 20.8 acres in a single irrigation season.
- 13. Property is also known as the Wood River Middle School, Lot 2, block 1, Northridge Subdivision # 4.
- 14. Use of water under this right will 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. 37, Big Wood River.
- 15. The rights listed below shall provide no more than 3.5 afa per acre at the field headgate for irrigation of the lands in the place of use. Combined Right Nos. 37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E and 37-557BX
- 16. A portion of this right provides conveyance for other right holders in the shared delivery of water through the Hiawatha canal. To prevent injury to other water right holders, the watermaster shall deliver 20% or 0.21 cfs of the leased portion of this right into the Hiawatha Canal whether it is rented or not.
- 17. Upon the approval of permit 37-23098, 3.0 acres of water right nos. 37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E and 37-557BX may be required for mitigation.
- 18. Pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1412(6), this water right is subject to such general provisions necessary for the definition of the rights or for the efficient administration of water rights as determined by the Snake River Basin Adjudication court in the final unified decree entered 08/26/2014.



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STATE OF IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

# APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK

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DEC 17 2019

Designated Applicant	Blaine County School District #61	Water Right No.	W	DEPARTMENT OF ATER RESOURCES BX		
	(Select one owner - see item 1A on the application)	U		right per application)		
Is this application being submitted with a rental application as a lease/rental package? Yes 🗌 No 🗹						
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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.

				IREMENT CHECKLIST	
			ems must be checked as either	r Attached (Yes) or Not Applicable	e (N/A)
		Yes			
		$\checkmark$	Completed Application to Sell or	r Lease a Water Right to the Water Sup	oply Bank.
			application and the water rights rate or volume, the total fee for must be used to irrigate the sam	.00 per water right. If you are subr have an overlapping, common place o all water rights is \$500.00. For places he lands in order to qualify for the join ts that share a common permissible p sible place of use.	of use, or a common diversion s of use, multiple water rights nt filing fee. Individual filing
		$\checkmark$	Confirmation this form has been	printed single sided, per requirement of	of the Water Supply Bank.
Attachment	N/A	Yes			
1A		$\checkmark$	Signatures and contact informati application.	ion for all owners of the water right	to be leased or sold on this
1B	$\checkmark$		An Internal Revenue Service (IR	S) Form W-9 for the Designated Applie	cant.
1C	$\checkmark$		Notice of Change in Water Right	Ownership form (accessible from www	w.idwr.idaho.gov).
1D			represent the Designated Application	orized representative and documentary ant on this application. If the Designa nization or association, include doc if of the entity.	ated Applicant is a business,
2		$\checkmark$	Description of a water right portion	on offered to the Water Supply Bank.	
3		7		specific location where irrigated acres spended. You have the option of printi r.idaho.gov.	_
<b>4</b> A		$\checkmark$	Written consent from irrigation d	istrict or water delivery company.	
4G	V		Evidence demonstrating the wate <u>Code</u> .	er right has not been forfeited pursuant	t to <u>Section 42-222(2), Idaho</u>
Department Us	e Only				
Fee Amount \$	750	~6	Received By: $\mu$	Date Received: 12-17-19 Rec	ceipt # C108/09
W-9 received?	Yes 🗌	No 🔽	(Route W-9 to Fiscal)	Name on W-9:	

#### STATE OF IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

## **APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT**

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#### **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 Blaine County School District #61

Mailing Address 118 W. Bullion St.	Hailey	ID	83333
Street	City	State	Zip Code
Email Address	Phone Nu	mber 208-578-500	00

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

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 Lori Graves	Organization SPF Water Engineering
Professional Title Water Rights Specialist	Email Address Igraves@spfwater.com
Mailing Address 300 E. Mallard Dr., Ste 350, Boise, ID 8	83706 Phone Number 208-383-4140

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 <u>Section 42-108, Idaho Code</u> and <u>IDAPA WSB Rule 37.02.03.25.02e</u>,

- B. Please provide a description of the current water diversion and delivery system. Hiawatha Canal
- 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. Municipal water from the City of Hailey has been used for irrigation in recent years.
- D. Are any of the water rights identified in Section 4C stacked with the water right proposed for lease?

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 🔲 -

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. Surface water rights 37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E and 37-577BX have never been used at the same time during the same season as municipal ground water within the authorized place of use.

- 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. <u>n/a subject acres have been leased to the bank multiple years</u>. This application seeks to renew lease #866 set to expire 12/31/2019.
- 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. See item 4F above.
- 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

#### **STATE OF IDAHO** WATER RESOURCE BOARD

## APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT

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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: <u>2020</u> to <u>2021</u> (maximum lease period 5 calendar years).
- 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. standard 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.

wencarol H Holmes Signature of Designated

Signature of Authorized Representative

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12/16/19 12/16/19

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





State of Id. DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES 322 E Front Street, Suite 648 • PO Box 83720 • Boise ID 83720-0098 Phone: (208) 287-4800 • Fax: (208) 287-6700 Website: idwr.idaho.gov • Email: idwrinfo@idwr.idaho.gov

BRAD LITTLE Governor March 3, 2020

GARY SPACKMAN Director

BLAINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61 118 W BULLION ST HAILEY, ID 83333

# RE: WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT 1097 FOR WATER RIGHTS 37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E, 37-577BX

Dear Lessor:

Water rights **37-183A**, **37-298C**, **37-334E**, **37-577BX** were leased into the Water Supply Bank (Bank) as of January 1, 2020, in accordance with the enclosed executed lease contract. **Your water rights, as described on the lease contract, are considered leased into the Bank and should remain** <u>unused</u> 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 rights will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31**, 2020, unless the rights are 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 <u>bank@idwr.idaho.gov</u> or 208-287-4800.

Sincerely,

and ) and

√ Water Supply Bank

Enclosure: Executed Lease Contract

c: Corey Skinner - IDWR Southern Region Kevin Lakey – Water District 37 Lori Graves – SPF Water Engineering



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February 4, 2020

GARY SPACKMAN Director

BLAINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61 118 W BULLION ST HAILEY, ID 83333

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# RE: APPLICATION TO LEASE WATER RIGHT 37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E, 37-55BX TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK CONTRACT 1097

## \*\*\*\*TIME SENSITIVE RESPONSE REQUIRED\*\*\*

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Water Resources has completed its review of your application to lease the abovementioned 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, 2021**, 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 <u>Request to Release a Water Right from the Bank</u> form. To propose a new lease period, submit a new <u>Application to Sell or Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank</u> form along with applicable fees to the Department. These forms are available from any IDWR office or from our public website at <u>http://www.idwr.idaho.gov</u>. 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 <u>not</u> 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 <u>bank@idwr.idaho.gov</u> or 208-287-4800.

Sincerely,

Enclosures:

Proposed Lease Contracts Receipt # C108109

# Ferguson, Justin

From:	Ferguson, Justin
Sent:	Wednesday, January 8, 2020 1:26 PM
То:	Skinner, Corey; watermanager@cableone.net
Subject:	WSB Lease - At Last Ranch & Blaine County School Dist.
Attachments:	Draft Lease At Last Ranch 37-276H.docx; Lease At Last Ranch 37-276H.pdf; Lease Review
	Memo.docx; Draft Lease Blaine County School Dist 61.docx; Lease Blaine County School
	Dist 61.pdf; Lease Review Memo.docx; Draft Lease Blaine County School Dist 61.docx;
	Lease Blaine County School Dist 61.pdf; Lease Review Memo.docx

#### Afternoon!

Attached are the draft lease contract, map, and review memo for the At Last Ranch and Blaine County School District. Please let me know within 7 days if you have any comments or concerns

Thank you!



December 18, 2019

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Justin Ferguson IDWR State Office PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0098

## Subject: Water Bank Lease Applications (37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E, 37-577BX) Water Bank Lease Application (37-21114)

Dear Justin,

As promised, enclosed is an authorization from Hiawatha Canal Co. required for the Blaine County School District #61 Water Bank lease applications sent to you December 16, 2019 for the water rights listed above.

Please let me know if there are any questions. Thanks Justin.

Sincerely,

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Lori Graves Water Rights Specialist

Cc: Howard Royal

Enclosures

SPF file number: 322.0080

December 17, 2019

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P.O. Box 1604 • Hailey, ID 83333

DEC 2 3 2019 DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Idaho Water Bank 322 E. Front St. P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0098

# Re: Blaine County School District: Water Rights 37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E, 37-577BX and 37-21114

Dear Sir or Madam:

The purpose of this letter is to respond generally to water rights being leased to the Water Bank, which are conveyed in the Hiawatha Canal ("Canal") by the Hiawatha Canal Company, a.k.a. The Hiawatha Canal Water Users Association of Lateral or Laterals ("Canal Company"). For the reasons outlined below and on the conditions requested, the Canal has no objection to the aforementioned water rights being placed into the Water Bank.

The Hiawatha Canal Company is concerned about the amount of water being removed from the Canal and placed in the Water Bank by various water right holders. Generally, at this time, the Canal Company does not object to water rights conveyed in the Hiawatha Canal being placed in the Water Bank provided that if the water rights are leased to parties outside of the Canal, then the Water Bank should require twenty-percent (20%) of the right be left in the Canal as conveyance loss. I suggest that the Department place a condition on the leases to this effect.

Providing you some historical perspective, the Canal Company filed for mitigation (conveyance loss) rights in the adjudication for rights that had been forfeited or abandoned out of the Canal. The Department agreed that the conveyance loss in the Canal was twenty-percent (20%), and therefore, entered recommendations accordingly. *See e.g.*, water rights 37-22630, 37-22631, 37-22632 and 37-22633. This conveyance has been recognized by the Idaho Department of Water Resources in similar transfers. Leaving twenty-percent (20%) of the leased rights in the Canal will insure that all rights in the Canal continue to be delivered without injury to water right holders in the Canal.

Idaho Water Bank December 17, 2019 Page 2

As a condition of being leased, the Canal Company requests:

1. The Canal Company does not presently object to the aforementioned water rights being placed in the Water Bank, provided that twenty-percent (20%) of the right is left in the Canal as conveyance loss; and

2. The Canal Company would like to be notified if the water rights are eventually released from the Water Bank, or if the Water Rights are being leased again to the Water Bank after the expiration of the lease period.

Thank you in advance for responding to this letter and addressing our concerns. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

HIAWATHA CANAL COMPANY

James W. Phillips, President

FXH: fxh cc: client



December 16, 2019

RECEIVED DEC 17 2019 DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Justin Ferguson IDWR State Office PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0098

## Subject: Water Bank Lease Application (37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E, 37-577BX) Water Bank Lease Application (37-21114)

Dear Justin,

Enclosed on behalf of Blaine County School District #61, are applications to lease the above water rights to the water supply bank. These rights are currently in the bank under Contract Nos. 858 and 866 and are set to be released 12/31/2019. Applicant wishes to keep the water in the bank for another year. The School District Superintendent GwenCarol Holmes signed the applications.

Authorization from Hiawatha Canal Co. has been requested and will be provided upon receipt.

Check No. 014809 is enclosed for the \$750 filing fee.

Please let me know if there are any questions. Thanks Justin.

Sincerely,

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Lori Graves Water Rights Specialist

Cc: Howard Royal

Enclosures

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