#### WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT No. 1097

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

LESSOR: BLAINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61

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118 W BULLION ST

**HAILEY, ID 83333** 

SUPPORT DATA

**DEPARTMENT OF** VATER 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:

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

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 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

<sup>\*</sup> 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

- SCX 2412/20
- 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.

### WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT No. 1097

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

LESSOR:	BLAINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61		
	118 W BULLION ST		
6	HAILEY, ID 83333		
By Ane	nCarol X Holmes		
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Date	12/26		
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IDAHO WATE 322 East Front	R RESOURCE BOARD		
P.O. Box 8372	0		
Boise, ID 8372	0-0098		
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By Brian Patton, A	acting Administrator	Date	03/50/50
Idaho Water Re			
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Lease approve	d by IDWR	Data	03/07/20

#### 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 Diversion for Water Right No(s): 37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E, 37-577BX

BIG WOOD RIVER

SWNW

Sec. 20

Twp 03N

Rge 18E BLAINE County

		Seas	on of	Use	Diversion	Volume (AF)	
Water Right	Beneficial Use	From		То	Rate (CFS)		
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	
		Name	•	Totals:	1.04 cfs	Not Stated	

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

Twp F	Rng Sec	Sec NE		NW		SW			SE		T-1-1								
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02N	18E	4									1.6			9.0		0.7	9.5		20.8

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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37-183A, 37-298C, 37-334E, & 37-577BX Effective until December 31, <del>2021-</del> 2020 1012 2020

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.





Form 42-1761-1 10/15

W-9 received? Yes No No

(Route W-9 to Fiscal)

Designated Applicant Blaine County School District #61

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Water Right No.

. 9		(Select	one owner - see item 1A on the application	n)	(One water	right per application)			
Is this applica	tion be	ing sub	mitted with a rental application	as a lease/rental package?	Yes 🗌	No 🗸			
necessary docu	ımentat	ion has	pared in accordance with the min been provided. This checklist is t do not meet the minimum requ	part of the lease application ar	nd must be inclu	ided with the lease			
		All ite	MIMUMUM REQU ems must be checked as either	IREMENT CHECKLIST  Attached (Yes) or Not Applic	cable (N/A)				
		Yes							
		7	Completed Application to Sell or	Lease a Water Right to the Water	r Supply Bank.				
			application and the water rights rate or volume, the total fee for must be used to irrigate the same	00 per water right. If you are have an overlapping, common pla all water rights is \$500.00. For ple lands in order to qualify for the ts that share a common permissible place of use.	ace of use, or a c laces of use, mu e joint filing fee	ommon diversion ltiple water rights . Individual filing			
		<b>/</b>	Confirmation this form has been	printed single sided, per requirem	nent of the Water	Supply Bank.			
Attachment	N/A	Yes							
1 <b>A</b>		<b>V</b>	Signatures and contact informati application.	ion for all owners of the water i	right to be lease	d or sold on this			
1B	$\checkmark$		An Internal Revenue Service (IR	S) Form W-9 for the Designated A	Applicant.				
1C	<b>✓</b>		Notice of Change in Water Right	Ownership form (accessible from	www.idwr.idah	o.gov).			
1D	✓		Contact information for an authorized representative and documentary proof they are authorized represent the Designated Applicant on this application. If the Designated Applicant is a busine partnership, municipality, organization or association, include documents identifying office authorized to sign or act on behalf of the entity.						
2		<b>V</b>	Description of a water right portion	on offered to the Water Supply Ba	ank.				
3		<b>7</b>		specific location where irrigated a spended. You have the option of r.idaho.gov.		± '			
4A		<b>✓</b>	Written consent from irrigation d	istrict or water delivery company.					
<b>4</b> G	<b>V</b>		Evidence demonstrating the water right has not been forfeited pursuant to Section 42-222(2), Idaho Code.						
Department Us	e Only								
Fee Amount \$	750	eq	Received By: KM	Date Received: 12-19-19	Receipt # C/1	08109			

Name on W-9:

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

(Continued)

A. This application must be completed by a Designated Applicant who is a current owner of the water right being sold or leased

#### 1. CONTACT INFORMATION

	to the Water Supply Bank. If there are additional cu to represent them on this application by completing a				lican			
	Designated Applicant Blaine County School Distri	ct #61						
	Mailing Address 118 W. Bullion St. Street	Hailey	1D	83333				
	Street	City	State	Zip Code				
	Email Address	Phon	e Number 208-578-5000					
	The Designated Applicant is the sole owner of the OR	he water right being sold	or leased to the Water Sup	oply Bank.				
	☐ The Designated Applicant is representing additional properties of the Designated Applicant is representing additional properties.	onal water right holders	who have completed Attac	hment 1A.				
B.	Has the Designated Applicant submitted an IRS Form If no, complete the form and attach to this application (Att		at within the last 2 years?	Yes ✓ N	[о 🗌			
C.	Are all applicants on this form listed in IDWR's reco If no, attach a Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership				lo 🗌			
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 S	PF Water Engineering					
	Professional Title Water Rights Specialist	Email Address	lgraves@spfwater.com					
	Mailing Address 300 E. Mallard Dr., Ste 350, Boise, ID 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.					
DE	SCRIPTION OF WATER RIGHT OFFERED TO	THE BANK						
<b>✓</b>	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 A							

#### 3. MAP

2.

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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A.	Is the diversion works or system owned or managed by an irrigation district or water delivery company? Yes $\boxed{\prime}$ No $\boxed{}$ 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.
В.	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? 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. 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.
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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. n/a - subject acres have been leased to the bank multiple years. 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  V
	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.
Н.	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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#### **APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT**

(Continued)

5.	SALE	LEASE	AGREEMENT

A.	Is the water right, or portion thereof, offered to the Idaho Water Resource Board (IWRB) for sale \( \sqrt{\operator} \) ?								
	If lease, specify the years when the use of		20 to 2021 (maximu	ım lease period 5 calendar years).					
В.	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 m standard rate	ethod of determining the min	mum payment if other	than the current rental rate.					
	y assert that the information contained ies necessary to offer this water right for								
The	Designated Applicant acknowledges the fo	llowing:							
	1. Payment to the Designated Applicant	s contingent upon the sale or	rental of the water righ	t 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.								
	<ol><li>A water right accepted into the Ba confirmation from the Board or Water</li></ol>								
	4. While a water right is in the Bank, for	eiture is stayed.							
	<ol><li>Acceptance of a water right into the B of the water right.</li></ol>	ank does not, in itself, confirm	n the validity of the wa	ter right or any element					
Signatur	renCarol H Holmes Supt.	GwenCard Ht Printed Name	tolmes	11/22/19 Date					
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Signature	e of Authorized Representative	Printed Name		Date					

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

GARY SPACKMAN Director

March 3, 2020

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 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 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 <a href="https://www.idwr.idaho.gov">www.idwr.idaho.gov</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:bank@idwr.idaho.gov">bank@idwr.idaho.gov</a> or 208-287-4800.

Sincerely,

√Water Supply Bank

Enclosure: Executed Lease Contract

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



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BRAD LITTLE Governor

GARY SPACKMAN Director

February 4, 2020

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

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 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, 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 form.</u> To propose a new lease period, submit a new <u>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 <a href="http://www.idwr.idaho.gov">http://www.idwr.idaho.gov</a>. Please note your right may not be available for immediate release if it has been rented</u>

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 <u>bank@idwr.idaho.gov</u> or 208-287-4800.

Sincerely.

vvater Supply Bank

Enclosures: Proposed Lease Contracts

Receipt # C108109

#### Ferguson, Justin

From:

Ferguson, Justin

Sent:

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 1:26 PM

To:

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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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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,

Lori Graves

Water Rights Specialist

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Cc: Howard Royal

**Enclosures** 

SPF file number: 322.0080

## HIAWATHA CANAL

P.O. Box 1604 • Hailey, ID 83333

December 17, 2019

DEC 23 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.

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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

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December 16, 2019

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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,

Lori Graves

Water Rights Specialist

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Cc: Howard Royal

**Enclosures** 

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