

## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** December 24, 2019  
**To:** Transfer 83813  
**From:** James Cefalo  
**Re:** Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to change the place of use for water right 74-16182. The place of use will be rearranged slightly to accommodate the irrigation of landscaping around a home and a shop to be constructed on the property. Water rights is currently delivered through the L-9 Ditch. Point of diversion will not change.

**Authority to File:** Application was filed by Timothy and Eva Hunt. An ownership change was completed in August 2018, updating the ownership of water right 74-16182 to be in the name of Timothy and Eva Hunt. According to Lemhi County parcel data, the Hunts own the property at the existing and proposed places of use.

**Water Right Validity:** Water right 74-16182 was decreed in the SRBA in 2009. Aerial photos show green, growing vegetation in most years. The existing place of use appears to be fully irrigated in 2013.

**Injury to Other Water Rights:** No issues identified. Point of diversion will not change. Existing place of use was irrigated from the L-9 Ditch through flood irrigation. The 0.5 acres changed as part of this transfer are located above the ditch. Water will be pumped to the 0.5 acre piece. Watermasters for WD170 and WD74 were notified of the transfer. Neither of the watermasters had any concerns or objections.

**Enlargement of Use:** No issues identified. Water right can be curtailed in drought years. I recommended that the applicants contact the watermaster about the reliability of the water right. There is some risk at establishing landscape irrigation with a water right that can be curtailed in drought years.

**Local Public interest:** No issues identified.

**Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:** No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.