

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 23, 2019

To: Transfer 83103

From: Michael Holliday

Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

The purpose of this transfer is to change the point of diversion of a 68-acre split portion of right 35-13391 in order to reflect the current irrigation system.

Authority to File:

IDWR records show the applicants as the current owners of the water right, and Bingham County taxlot data shows the applicants as the owners of the place of use. Robert Murdock, the owner of the proposed point of diversion, also signed the transfer application.

Water Right Validity:

The right included in this transfer was decreed in the SRBA in 2002. Post-decree aerial photos show regular irrigation of the place of use. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Other water rights should not be impacted by the proposed change. The current and proposed points of diversion are within the ESPA boundary, but an ESPA model analysis is not required because the current and proposed wells are located within adjacent model cells. There is no evidence that the proposed changes will reduce the quantity of water available to other water rights. The transfer application was advertised and no protests were filed. The watermaster reviewed the transfer and did not oppose its approval.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed change will not result in enlargement because neither rate nor volume nor irrigated acreage will increase as a result of the transfer.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Effect on Economy the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Effect on Agricultural Base of the Local Area:

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.