

MEMORANDUM

Date: July 13, 2018
To: Transfer 82051
From: Michael Holliday
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

Authority to File:

The applicant has a purchase and sale agreement with the current owner for the portion of the water right included in the transfer. The ownership will be updated upon approval of the transfer. The application was signed by the mayor, who has authority to sign on behalf of the City.

Water Right Validity:

Water right 22-7225 was decreed in the SRBA in 2012, and aerial imagery shows regular irrigation of the place of use. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The applicant provided an ESPA model analysis. It was determined that mitigation is not required because impacts are less than 2 AF per trimester. The application was advertised and was protested by IGWA and Fremont Madison Irrigation District. However, the applicant and the protestants were able to resolve the protests by stipulating that certain conditions be included in the transfer approval. The watermaster of Water District 100 reviewed the application and did not oppose its approval.

Enlargement of Use:

The transfer changes the nature of use from irrigation to municipal. In order to prevent enlargement the water right will be limited to the irrigation of 2 acres within the City. The transferred right was used together with canal shares and will continue to be combined with canal shares at the new place of use. The proposed change will not result in enlargement because the total acreage, diversion rate, and volume authorized under the right will not increase.

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.