

MEMORANDUM

Date: December 19, 2017
To: Transfer 81926
From: Michael Holliday
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

The purpose of this transfer is to add the months of April and October to the current period of use of right no. 25-7263.

Authority to File:

Department records show the applicant as the current owner of the water right, and Bonneville County taxlot data shows the applicant as the owner of the place of use. The transfer application was signed by the manager of the Department of Energy Idaho Operations Office.

Water Right Validity:

Right no. 25-7263 was decreed in the SRBA in 2005. The applicant described the regular, ongoing operation of the system used for cooling, and no evidence of forfeiture was found.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Other rights will not be injured by the proposed change in operation. Though the transfer proposes a longer season of use, right no. 25-7263 is non-consumptive and will not reduce the supply of water to other water rights. The watermaster reviewed the application and did not oppose its approval. The transfer application was advertised and no protests were filed.

Enlargement of Use:

The partial decree for this right was based on a license issued by the Department. A volume was determined at the time of licensing based on the extent of beneficial use at the time proof was made. Though the proposed period of use will increase by 61 days, the applicant demonstrated on attachment #8a of the application that the maximum volume pumped would not exceed 144 AFA, which is less than the total licensed and decreed volume. Therefore, the proposed changes will not result in enlargement.

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.