

State of Idaho
Department of Water Resources
Permit to Appropriate Water
NO. 57-11884

Priority: September 20, 2016

Maximum Diversion Rate: 2.45 CFS

This is to certify, that ROBERT A THOMAS
KELLY A THOMAS
17947 SHORTCUT RD
MURPHY ID 83650

has applied for a permit to appropriate water from:

Source: GROUND WATER

and a permit is APPROVED for development of water as follows:

<u>BENEFICIAL USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>RATE OF DIVERSION</u>
IRRIGATION	03/01 to 11/15	2.45 CFS

LOCATION OF POINT(S) OF DIVERSION:

GROUND WATER	NE¼SW¼	Sec. 29,	Twp 04S,	Rge 01E, B.M.	OWYHEE County
GROUND WATER	NW¼SW¼	Sec. 29,	Twp 04S,	Rge 01E, B.M.	OWYHEE County
GROUND WATER	SW¼SW¼	Sec. 29,	Twp 04S,	Rge 01E, B.M.	OWYHEE County
GROUND WATER	SE¼SW¼	Sec. 29,	Twp 04S,	Rge 01E, B.M.	OWYHEE County

PLACE OF USE: IRRIGATION

Twp Rge Sec	NE				NW				SW				SE				
	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	Totals
04S 01E 27									3.0	20.0	15.0	2.0					40.0
04S 01E 28						4.0	2.0		33.0	30.0	6.0	2.0	16.0	30.0	16.0	18.0	157.0
04S 01E 29												3.0	29.0	10.0	25.0	26.0	93.0

Total Acres: 290

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

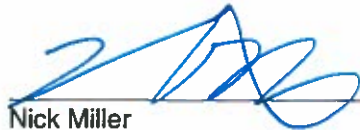
1. Proof of application of water to beneficial use shall be submitted on or before **September 01, 2022**.
2. Subject to all prior water rights.
3. This right when combined with all other rights shall provide no more than 0.02 cfs per acre nor exceed a combined annual maximum diversion volume of 1305 af at the field headgate for the place of use.
4. This right when combined with all other rights shall provide no more than 4.5 afa per acre at the field headgate for irrigation of the place of use.
5. This right shall not be used as the sole source of irrigation for more than 200 acres within the place of use described above.
6. The right holder shall make full beneficial use of all surface water available to the right holder for irrigation of the lands authorized to be irrigated under this right. The right holder shall limit the diversion of ground water under this right for land with an appurtenant surface water right(s) to those times when the surface water supply is not available or reasonably sufficient to irrigate the place of use authorized under this right.

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7. If the surface water right(s) appurtenant to the place of use for this right is unavailable for any reason other than drought or curtailment by priority (for example abandoned, forfeited, sold, transferred, leased, used on another place of use, or disallowed by court decree), the right holder shall not divert ground water for irrigation purposes on the land with appurtenant surface water rights without an approved transfer pursuant to Section 42-222, Idaho Code, or approval of the Department if a transfer is not required.
8. This right authorizes a single point of diversion.
9. After specific notification by the Department, the right holder shall install a suitable measuring device or shall enter into an agreement with the Department to use power records to determine the amount of water diverted and shall annually report the information to the Department.
10. To prevent injury to prior water rights appropriating water from Castle Creek and/or the underlying shallow aquifer tributary to Castle Creek, the well(s) used as a point(s) of diversion for this water right shall be constructed and maintained with unperforated casing and sealed into the first significant confining layer located below the ground surface.
11. Right holder shall comply with the drilling permit requirements of Section 42-235, Idaho Code and applicable Well Construction Rules of the Department.
12. Project construction shall commence within one year from the date of permit issuance and shall proceed diligently to completion unless it can be shown to the satisfaction of the Director of the Department of Water Resources that delays were due to circumstances over which the permit holder had no control.
13. This right is for the use of trust water, and it is subject to review 5 years after its initial approval (date of permit approval) to re-evaluate the availability of trust water for the authorized use and to re-evaluate the public interest criteria for reallocating trust water.
14. When the minimum stream flow water rights in the Snake River at Murphy Gage are not being satisfied, the right holder shall cease diverting water for the consumptive uses authorized by this right.
15. The Director retains jurisdiction to require the right holder to provide purchased or leased natural flow or stored water to offset depletion of Lower Snake River flows if needed for salmon migration purposes. The amount of water required to be released into the Snake River or a tributary, if needed for this purpose, will be determined by the Director based upon the reduction in flow caused by the use of water pursuant to this permit.

This permit is issued pursuant to the provisions of Section 42-204, Idaho Code.

Signed this 30th day of August, 20 12.



Nick Miller
Manager, IDWR Western Region



State of Idaho

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Governor

GARY SPACKMAN
Director

August 30, 2017

ROBERT A THOMAS
KELLY A THOMAS
17947 SHORT CUT RD
MURPHY ID 83650-5089

RE: Permit No.57-11884

Permit Approval Notice

Dear Permit Holder:

The Department of Water Resources has issued the enclosed permit authorizing you to establish a new water right. Please be sure to thoroughly review the conditions of approval and remarks listed on your permit.

The permit is a PRELIMINARY ORDER issued by the Department pursuant to Section 67-5243, Idaho Code. It can and will become a final order without further action by the Department unless a party petitions for reconsideration or files an exception and/or brief within fourteen (14) days of the service date as described in the enclosed information sheet.

As a permit owner you must commence the excavation or construction of the diverting works within one year of the date the permit was issued, and you must proceed diligently until the project is completed. The date shown under condition no. 1 is the date when the project must be completed.

The Department will send you a 'Proof Due Notice' approximately 60 days prior to the above referenced date requesting you to file either a Proof of Beneficial Use form or a Request for Extension of Time form.

The right to drill a well is not a part of this permit to appropriate water. Beginning in July of 1987, a statute was enacted which requires a drilling permit for new well construction and deepening of existing wells. If the well(s) proposed for use under this water right permit were drilled or deepened after July 1, 1987, a separate drilling permit must be obtained from this Department. Please contact the Ground Water Protection Section located here at this office or our regional office nearest you.

Also, please note that water right owners are required to report any change of water right ownership and/or mailing address to the Department within 120 days of the change. Failure to report these changes could result in a \$100 late filing fee.

Contact any office of the Department or visit the Department's homepage on the Internet to obtain the proper forms and instructions.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (208)334-2190

Sincerely,

 Rachel Neely for:

Nick Miller

Western Regional Manager

Enclosure(s)

cc: SPF WATER ENGINEERING LLC
MICHAEL B IHLI

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on August 30, 2017 I mailed a true and correct copy, postage prepaid, of the foregoing PRELIMINARY ORDER(Approved Permit) to the person(s) listed below:

RE: WATER RIGHT NO.

57-11884

**KELLY A THOMAS
ROBERT A THOMAS
17947 SHORTCUT RD
MURPHY ID 83650**

**SPF WATER ENGINEERING LLC
C/O LORI GRAVES
300 E MALLARD DR STE 350
BOISE ID 83706**

**MICHAEL B IHLI
625 S SCHOOL AVE
KUNA ID 83634**



**Rachel Neely
Administrative Assistant**

EXPLANATORY INFORMATION TO ACCOMPANY A PRELIMINARY ORDER

(To be used in connection with actions when a hearing was not held)

(Required by Rule of Procedure 730.02)

The accompanying order or approved document is a "Preliminary Order" issued by the department pursuant to section 67-5243, Idaho Code. It can and will become a final order without further action of the Department of Water Resources ("department") unless a party petitions for reconsideration, files an exception and brief, or requests a hearing as further described below:

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Any party may file a petition for reconsideration of a preliminary order with the department within fourteen (14) days of the service date of this order. **Note: the petition must be received by the department within this fourteen (14) day period.** The department will act on a petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of its receipt, or the petition will be considered denied by operation of law. See Section 67-5243(3) Idaho Code.

EXCEPTIONS AND BRIEFS

Within fourteen (14) days after: (a) the service date of a preliminary order, (b) the service date of a denial of a petition for reconsideration from this preliminary order, or (c) the failure within twenty-one (21) days to grant or deny a petition for reconsideration from this preliminary order, any party may in writing support or take exceptions to any part of a preliminary order and may file briefs in support of the party's position on any issue in the proceeding with the Director. Otherwise, this preliminary order will become a final order of the agency.

REQUEST FOR HEARING

Unless a right to a hearing before the Department or the Water Resource Board is otherwise provided by statute, any person aggrieved by any final decision, determination, order or action of the Director of the Department and who has not previously been afforded an opportunity for a hearing on the matter may request a hearing pursuant to section 42-1701A(3), Idaho Code. A written petition contesting the action of the Director and requesting a hearing shall be filed within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the denial or conditional approval.

ORAL ARGUMENT

If the Director grants a petition to review the preliminary order, the Director shall allow all parties an opportunity to file briefs in support of or taking exceptions to the preliminary order and may schedule oral argument in the matter before issuing a final order. If oral arguments are to be heard, the Director will within a reasonable time period notify each party of the place, date and hour for the argument of the case. Unless the Director orders otherwise, all oral arguments will be heard in Boise, Idaho.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

All exceptions, briefs, requests for oral argument and any other matters filed with the Director in connection with the preliminary order shall be served on all other parties to the proceedings in accordance with IDAPA Rules 37.01.01302 and 37.01.01303 (Rules of Procedure 302 and 303).

FINAL ORDER

The Director will issue a final order within fifty-six (56) days of receipt of the written briefs, oral argument or response to briefs, whichever is later, unless waived by the parties or for good cause shown. The Director may remand the matter for further evidentiary hearings if further factual development of the record is necessary before issuing a final order. The department will serve a copy of the final order on all parties of record.

Section 67-5246(5), Idaho Code, provides as follows:

Unless a different date is stated in a final order, the order is effective fourteen (14) days after its service date if a party has not filed a petition for reconsideration. If a party has filed a petition for reconsideration with the agency head, the final order becomes effective when:

- (a) The petition for reconsideration is disposed of; or
- (b) The petition is deemed denied because the agency head did not dispose of the petition within twenty-one (21) days.

APPEAL OF FINAL ORDER TO DISTRICT COURT

Pursuant to sections 67-5270 and 67-5272, Idaho Code, if this preliminary order becomes final, any party aggrieved by the final order or orders previously issued in this case may appeal the final order and all previously issued orders in this case to district court by filing a petition in the district court of the county in which:

- i. A hearing was held.
- ii. The final agency action was taken.
- iii. The party seeking review of the order resides, or
- iv. The real property or personal property that was the subject of the agency action is located.

The appeal must be filed within twenty-eight (28) days of this preliminary order becoming final. See section 67-5273, Idaho Code. The filing of an appeal to district court does not itself stay the effectiveness or enforcement of the order under appeal.