

MEMORANDUM

Date: January 10, 2017
To: Transfer 81382
From: Kerrie Mathews
Re: Transfer Evaluation

Transfer No. 81382 for water right 13-2313 proposes to change the place of use in preparation for a split.

Authority to file:

The water right is in the name of VP Farms LLC. The application was signed by Kimberly Lloyd, a manager of VP Farms, who has signature authority for the company. The application was also signed by Jeremy Stoddard a representative for Stoddard Farms. In 2016, VP Farms sold Stoddard Farms a certain parcel of land including a 180-acre portion of water right 13-2313. This transfer rearranges the place of use for water right 13-2313 to match the water right conveyance. 180 acres of the right will now be on ground owned by Stoddard Farms, the remaining acres on ground owned by VP Farms. Stoddard Farms will file an ownership change for the right once the transfer is approved.

Validity of the Water Right:

Water right 13-2313 was decreed in the 1991 Bancroft Land Adjudication and aerial photography shows consistent irrigation. Forfeiture does not appear to be an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

No injury to other water rights was identified. The application was not advertised. The Water Master for Water District 13-T was notified of the transfer and did not oppose the transfer.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is not clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this transfer application.