

MEMORANDUM

Date: July 19, 2016
To: Transfer 80951
From: Scott Stosich
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

The purpose of this transfer is to change the point of diversion and place of use for water rights 25-14358 and 25-14359. The water rights are being moved from two subdivision lots to a single place of use for pasture irrigation.

Authority to File:

The applicants are the current water right owners according to IDWR records. Neither of the applicants are the property owners on the proposed place of use, but have permission by the land owner to use property. Water right ownership will not change as part of the transfer application.

Water Right Validity:

The rights included in this transfer were split from 25-7603, which was licensed in 1997. Aerial photography in 2011, 2013, and 2015 show vegetation growth over the places of use. An application for extension of time to avoid forfeiture was approved, and the applicants claim water use will resume this summer. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The place of use and point of diversion are being moved to an established pasture, that is supplied by an existing well. The proposed transfer was advertised, and no protests were filed. The current places of use and points of diversion are moving to a location within the ESPA, therefore an ESPA 3.2 model was run, and no mitigation is needed for the proposed changes. Injury to other water rights is not an issue. Watermaster for WD120 was notified of the transfer and does not oppose application.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed changes will not result in an increase in diversion rate or volume, and there will be acre limit conditions applied to each right accordingly. Enlargement will not be an issue.

Local Public interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:

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.