

Nelson, Dan

From: Scott King [SKing@spfwater.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2016 5:12 PM
To: Nelson, Dan
Subject: RE: Parma Ponds

Dan,
I see what I did on seepage by making a copy of the spreadsheet for 63-33643 (1 acre) and not changing the water right number under the "FILE NUMBER" and printing that one out when writing the letter. I certainly agree on the 9.7 af for seepage.

Thanks also for checking with the other climate station and for this explanatory email.

Scott

From: Nelson, Dan [<mailto:Dan.Nelson@idwr.idaho.gov>]
Sent: Friday, March 18, 2016 12:47 PM
To: Scott King <SKing@spfwater.com>
Subject: Parma Ponds

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February 26, 2016

Idaho Department of Water Resources
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Idaho Falls, ID 83702-1718

Attn: Dan Nelson

Subject: Additional information for Thorpe 63-32226, 63-32608, 63-

Dan,

As you requested, here is some additional information on the above-referenced permits regarding seepage and evaporation.

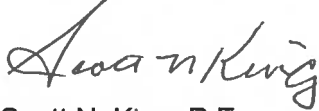
The total water surface area under 63-32226 & 63-32608, which represent the same system, is 23 acres. Based on the Parma climate station, positive precipitation-deficit evaporation for shallow ponds during the season of use totals 129 mm/yr (0.42 ft/yr). Total evaporation is calculated at 9.7 afa. The predominant soil is Moulton Loam (MwA) with a suggested seepage rate of 0.003 ft/day per IDWR Pond Spreadsheet. Total seepage is calculated at 0.5 afa.

The surface area under 63-33643 is 1 acre. Precipitation-deficit evaporation for the 365-day season of use is 663 mm/yr. Total evaporation is calculated at 2.2 afa. As this system is part of a drain where the system is expected to gain flow from shallow ground water, seepage is expected to be negligible or negative.

February 26, 2016

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Scott N. King".

Scott N. King, P.E.
Supervising Engineer

cc:

File: 1214.0010

Found at: <http://data.kimberly.uidaho.edu/ETIdaho/>

Precipitation Deficit

Station: Twin Falls 2 NNE (NWS -- 109294)

Month	mm/day ¹	Days per month	mm/Month
Jan	-0.43	31	0.00
Feb	0.38	28	10.64
March		31	0.00
April		30	0.00
May		31	0.00
June		30	0.00
July		31	0.00
August		31	0.00
September	2.67	30	80.10
October	1.13	31	35.03
November	0.10	30	3.00
December	-0.54	31	0.00

PLEASE NOTE: The seasonal average for precipitation deficit should not be used for calculations because precipitation often exceeds evaporation during wetter months of the year. If the pond is kept full, excess precipitation during wetter months does not serve to refill the pond during drier months.

For example, see Sandpoint KSPT (NWS -- 108137), the annual precipitation deficit is -106 mm. However, April through September have positive precipitation deficit values. To properly estimate the annual volume of water necessary to refill a pond due to evaporation losses, the table will automatically enter a zero (0) for each month that the precipitation value is reported as a negative value.

As described above, precipitation offsets evaporation in winter months, so the net effect is that wintertime precipitation deficit is usually zero.

Total mm/year = 128.77

Evaporation is based on the 181 days of evaporation use.

$[(\text{mm/yr}) \div (\text{convert to feet})] \times (\text{Surface area of pond, in acres}) = \text{Evaporation Loss in Acre Feet}$

(128.77 ÷ 304.8) X 23.00 = 9.7 AFA

Seepage Loss Calculations

This spreadsheet has been designed by Idaho Department of Water Resources to estimate the total annual seepage losses from a pond.

FILE NUMBER	63-32226	User Input
REVIEWER	Scott King	Calculated value
DATE	2/1/2016	Formula Explanations

Seepage is based on the 181 days of the season of use.

INPUTS

Pond Surface Area (AC.) 1 AC.

Pond Surface Area (SQ. FT.) 43560 SQ. FT.

I used the following method to obtain my Soil Classification information:	NRCS Web Soil Survey
My Soil Classification is	CL
Suggested Seepage Rate (FT./DAY)	0.0030 FT./DAY

Formula: (Surface Area X Seepage Rate) X 7.48 = Gallons Per Day Loss

Convert to GPD 977 GPD

Total Seepage Loss (AFA) 0.5 AFA

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Though sand and gravel seepage rates may actually be higher, the maximum allowable rate is 0.2 ft/day, pursuant to Administrative Memo "Seepage Loss Standards for Ponds and Reservoirs."

Suggested Seepage Rates for Different Soil Types:

GW, GP, GM, GC, SW, SP and SM (silty sand, sand silt mixtures and gravel mixtures) = 0.2 ft per day

OL and ML (inorganic silts - very fine sands, silty, or clayey fine sands) = 0.02 ft per day

SC (clayey sands, sand clay mixtures) = 0.007 ft per day

CL (Low to medium plasticity clays) = 0.003 ft per day

MH, OH, PT and CH (high plasticity clays) = 0.0003 ft per day

LINED PONDS (liners can be chemical, fabric, or bentonite) = 0 ft per day

Ponds Intercepting Groundwater (excavated ponds filled by ground water) = 0 ft per day

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June	3.42	30	102.60
July	4.29	31	132.99
August	3.80	31	117.80
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Total mm/year = 663.37

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$[(\text{mm/yr}) \div (\text{convert to feet})] \times (\text{Surface area of pond, in acres}) = \text{Evaporation Loss in Acre Feet}$

$$(663.37 \div 304.8) \times 1.00 = 2.2 \text{ AFA}$$



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January 26, 2016

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BOISE ID 83706

RE: Field exam report for water right permits 63-32608 AND 63-32226

Dear Mr. King:

I have reviewed the field exam you supplied for water right permits 63-32608 and 63-32226. During my review I discovered that you did not provide any volume for wildlife portion of this permit. You also neglected to supply documentation addressing the seepage and evaporation losses accrued by these ponds.

On November 19, 2015, I emailed you with my concerns about the volume calculations. On December 15, 2015 you replied to email with a volume amount for the wildlife use. However, this calculation didn't include evaporation and seepage amounts for the ponds. Therefore, they were not acceptable. I responded to your email on December 15, 2015 informing you that you needed to address the evaporation and seepage losses for the ponds and remove that amount from the wildlife use volume you determined. I haven't received a response from you, since my December 15, 2015 email. The Idaho Administrative Code Beneficial Use Examination Rules, IDAPA 37.03.02.035.01j (in-part) addresses these issues are as follows:

j. For each use of water the examiner shall report an annual diversion volume based on actual beneficial use during the development period for the permit. The method of determining the annual diversion volume shall be shown. The annual diversion volume shall account for seasonal variations in factors affecting water use, including seasonal variations in water availability. For irrigation, the volume shall be based on the field headgate requirements in the map titled Irrigation Field Headgate Requirement appended to these rules (see Appendix A located at the end of this chapter). Annual diversion volumes for heating and cooling uses may be adjusted to account for documented weather conditions during any single heating or cooling season from among the fifty (50) years immediately prior to submitting proof of beneficial use for the permit. For storage uses that include filling the reservoir and periodically replenishing evaporation and seepage losses throughout the year, the annual diversion volume shall be the sum of the amounts used for filling and for replenishment. Volumes may include reasonable conveyance losses actually incurred by the water user. The following water uses are exempt from the volume reporting requirement: (3-29-12)

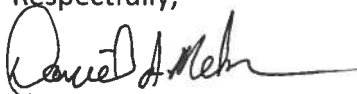
As you can see from the IDAPA rule shown above, we do need these issues concerning the volume addressed before we can move forward with processing this permit.

The Idaho Beneficial Use Examination Rules 37.03.02.035.02.c also states that field exams that need further clarification are allowed an additional 30 days to supply additional information to clarify the field exam report as stated below.

If the Director determines that a field report prepared by a certified water right examiner is acceptable but that additional information is needed to clarify the field report, he will notify the examiner in writing of the information required. If the additional information is not submitted within thirty (30) days or within the time specified in the written notice, the priority date of the permit will be advanced one (1) day for each day the information submittal is late. Failure to submit the required information within one (1) year of the date of the department's request is cause for the Director to take action to cancel the permit.

Therefore, please supply the above information by February 26, 2016. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Nelson", written over a horizontal line.

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From: Nelson, Dan
Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2015 10:50 AM
To: 'Scott King'
Subject: RE: 63-32608 and 63-32226

Hi Scott,

Thank you for the wildlife volume calculation. According to this calculation, they keep the ponds full for 181 days, so there would be some seepage and evaporation losses. We will need to account for those losses in the storage component of the permit. Did you do the calculations for the increase in storage needed?

Thank you

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From: Scott King [<mailto:SKing@spfwater.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2015 8:40 AM
To: Nelson, Dan
Subject: RE: 63-32608 and 63-32226

Dan,

If my calculations are correct, the flow through volume should be 1308 acre feet. This is based on a diversion rate of 3.83 cfs over 181 days less storage requirements of 66.8 acre feet (storage volume, evaporation and seepage).

Thank you,
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Volume Comparisons for Water Rights 63-32608 and 63-32226

Pond	Volume in AF	Surface Area in Acres	Average Depth in Feet	Soil Type
A	14.7	5.9	2.5	CL
B	6.1	2.4	2.5	CL
C	2.2	1.1	2.0	CL
D	1.6	0.8	2.0	CI
E	19.3	12.8	1.5	CL
TOTALS	43.9	23		

Permit allows = 23 acres surface area
 Permit allows = 45 af pond capacity
 Permit allows = 45 af total storage volume
 Permit allows = 3.83 cfs wildlife

The pond spreadsheet data is based on a 181 day season of use.

Pond Spreadsheet Shows = 43.9 af pond capacity
 Pond Spreadsheet Shows = 12.5 af pond seepage
 Pond Spreadsheet Shows = 10.4 af pond evaporation
 Pond Spreadsheet Shows = 66.8 af total total storage volume required.

Field Exam shows = 23 acres surface area
 Field Exam shows = 44 af pond capacity
 Field Exam shows = 44 af total storage volume
 Field Exam shows = 3.83 cfs wildlife*

* wildlife use was for flow through, but no volume was assigned to the flow through use by the field examiner.

NOTES:

- 1.) We need a volume for the wildlife flow through.
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Total Storage Calculations

FILE NUMBER	63-33643
REVIEWER	Dan Nelson
DATE	11/13/2015

This spreadsheet has been designed by Idaho Department of Water Resources to estimate the total seepage, evaporation and fill capacity required for a pond.

User Input
Calculated value
Formula Explanations

Surface Area (AC.)	23	"Surface Area" is automatically carried over from the "Seepage Loss" sheet.
Average Pond Depth (FT.)	1.91	"Average Pond Depth" depicts the actual depth of the pond either measured or estimated. Note: If you know the maximum depth and not the average depth, the Field Examiner's Handbook suggests multiplying the maximum depth by 0.4 to get the average depth, or you can use any method that seems reasonable to attain average depth.
Pond Capacity (AF)	43.9	Pond Capacity is calculated by multiplying the Pond Surface Area by the Average Pond Depth. If you know the capacity, divide the capacity by surface area and enter the average pond depth in the space above. Note: If pond capacity is determined using a method shown on the "Pond Capacity" sheet, the user may need to modify the value of "Pond Capacity" (cell B9) manually. Note that if the value is modified manually, the formula will be altered for future use.

Multiple Fill Volume Above Initial Fill to Fulfill From Storage Needs- "Multiple Fills" (AF)	0	The "Multiple Fill Volume Above Initial Fill" is the acre-feet of water required to meet a <i>from storage</i> component if the <i>from storage</i> component exceeds a one time fill. This section should not include the amount of water needed to fill the pond initially or the amount of water needed to maintain the pond level due to evaporation or seepage. For example: if a pond has a capacity of 5 acre feet and 2.5 acre feet of seepage and evaporation, but the pond is used for irrigation that requires 10 acre feet of from storage for the irrigation use, then you would insert 5 acre feet into this location (10 acre feet needed - 5 acre feet from the initial fill = 5 acre feet of additional storage needed). Note: You must have a " <u>From Storage</u> " component exceeding the initial fill on the permit to include a volume in this space.
Estimated Seepage Loss (AF)	12.5	The "Estimated Seepage Loss" is automatically carried over from the "Seepage Loss" sheet.
Estimated Evaporation Loss (AF)	10.4	The "Estimated Evaporation Loss" is automatically carried over from the "Evaporation Loss" sheet.
Total Volume Required (AF)	66.8	The "Total Volume Required" is calculated by adding the Pond Capacity, Multiple Fills, Seepage Loss, and Evaporation Loss amounts to determine the total amount of storage required.

Seepage Loss Calculations

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DATE	11/13/2015

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Seepage is based on the 181 days of the season of use.

INPUTS

Pond Surface Area (AC.)	23	AC.
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Pond Surface Area (SQ. FT.)	1001880	SQ. FT.
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I used the following method to obtain my Soil Classification information:	NRCS Web Soil Survey	
My Soil Classification is	GL	
Suggested Seepage Rate (FT./DAY)	0.0030	FT./DAY

Formula: (Surface Area X Seepage Rate) X 7.48 = Gallons Per Day Loss
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Convert to GPD	22482	GPD
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Total Seepage Loss (AFA)	12.5	AFA
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Though sand and gravel seepage rates may actually be higher, the maximum allowable rate is 0.2 ft/day, pursuant to Administrative Memo "Seepage Loss Standards for Ponds and Reservoirs."

Suggested Seepage Rates for Different Soil Types:
GW, GP, GM, GC, SW, SP and SM (silty sand, sand silt mixtures and gravel mixtures) = 0.2 ft per day
OL and ML (inorganic silts - very fine sands, silty, or clayey fine sands) = 0.02 ft per day
SC (clayey sands, sand clay mixtures) = 0.007 ft per day
CL (Low to medium plasticity clays) = 0.003 ft per day
MH, OH, PT and CH (high plasticity clays) = 0.0003 ft per day
LINED PONDS (liners can be chemical, fabric, or bentonite) = 0 ft per day
Ponds Intercepting Groundwater (excavated ponds filled by ground water) = 0 ft per day

PLEASE NOTE: The initial basis for the Suggested Seepage Rates in the table above is found on Page 16 of Seepage from Fish Ponds, Bulletin 599, August 1989 Alabama Agricultural experiment Station, Auburn University, Auburn University Alabama. If you don't know the soil type, please refer to the map provided at the NRCS Web Soil Survey (Tab #1), an ArcMap Soil Classification Map (Tab #1.1), or published NRCS Soil Survey (Tab #1.2). Use "0" if the pond fill relies on the water table.

Evaporation Loss Calculations

This spreadsheet has been designed by Idaho Department of Water Resources to estimate the annual evaporation losses from a pond.

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User Input
Calculated value
Formula Explanations

The acronyms used on the Kimberly Research Center website are defined below:

P = Precipitation
ET = Evapotranspiration
P _d = Precipitation deficit
P _d = ET - P

USING THIS SPREADSHEET

Use the link below to access the Kimberly Research Center website. This website provides the Precipitation Deficit for a station most representative of the pond under examination. The Precipitation Deficit is the total amount of free water surface evaporation minus the precipitation for a given area, which gives the total amount of evaporative losses incurred by the pond. There are several weather sites that are used throughout the state. IDWR staff can find the nearest site using Arc Map. The shape file containing the sites can be found at X:/Spatial/Climate/ETIdahostations.shp.

Instructions:

1. Use the link below to navigate to ET Idaho 2012.
2. Select the station which is most representative to your pond location.
3. Click Submit Query.
4. Under "Land Covers with Evapotranspiration Estimates," select "Open Water - Shallow Systems (ponds, streams)" or "Open Water - small stock ponds" depending on the pond size.
5. Click the link to "Precipitation Deficit."
6. Reference and copy (ctrl + C) the first subheading "Mean" values.
7. Click the "Paste Values from ET Idaho" button. The table will automatically enter a zero (0) for any

Found at: <http://data.kimberly.uidaho.edu/ETIdaho/>

Precipitation Deficit

Station: Twin Falls 2 NNE (NWS -- 109294)

Month	mm/day ¹	Days per month	mm/Month
Jan	-0.71	31	0.00
Feb	0.10	28	2.80
March	0.00	31	0.00
April	0.00	30	0.00
May	0.00	31	0.00
June	0.00	30	0.00
July	0.00	31	0.00
August	0.00	31	0.00
September	2.88	30	86.40
October	1.56	31	48.36
November	0.00	30	0.00
December	-0.59	31	0.00

PLEASE NOTE: The seasonal average for precipitation deficit should not be used for calculations because precipitation often exceeds evaporation during wetter months of the year. If the pond is kept full, excess precipitation during wetter months does not serve to refill the pond during drier months.

For example, see Sandpoint KSPT (NWS -- 108137), the annual precipitation deficit is -106 mm. However, April through September have positive precipitation deficit values. To properly estimate the annual volume of water necessary to refill a pond due to evaporation losses, the table will automatically enter a zero (0) for each month that the precipitation value is reported as a negative value.

As described above, precipitation offsets evaporation in winter months, so the net effect is that wintertime precipitation deficit is usually zero.

Total mm/year = 137.56

Evaporation is based on the 181 days of evaporation use.

$$\left(\frac{137.56}{304.8} \right) \times 23.00 = 10.4 \text{ AFA}$$

Surface Area of Pond is automatically carried over from the Seepage Loss Sheet.

Example Data: