

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 21, 2016
To: Transfer 80675
From: Kerrie Mathews
Re: Transfer Evaluation

Transfer No. 80675 proposes to rearrange the place of use for water rights 34-12417, 34-13575, 34-168F, 34-17D, 34-654A and 34-7164 to reflect current irrigation practices. The transfer also proposes to update ownership records to list Eric and Janet Aikele as the current owners of the rights.

Authority to file:

Water right 34-13575 is currently in the name of Eric Aikele and Herman Aikele. The rest of the rights are list Herman Aikele as the current owner. Herman passed away a number of years ago, leaving all property to his wife Atha. The applicants provided a Quit Claim deed dated June 2015, from Atha Aikele to Eric and Janet Aikele, conveying all of the property associated with the water rights.

Validity of the Water Right:

Water rights 34-17D, 34-168F, and 34-654A were decreed on May 22, 2001. Water right 34-7164 was decreed on November 30, 2000. Water right 34-12417 was decreed on May 9, 2001 and 34-13575 was decreed on June 4, 2001. 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 water master for WD34 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.