

State of Idaho
Department of Water Resources
Permit to Appropriate Water

NO. 57-07638

Priority: February 06, 1997

Maximum Diversion Rate: 1.19 CFS

This is to certify, that ROBERT A THOMAS And/Or
BEN A THOMAS JR And/Or
KELLY A THOMAS And/Or
LINDA K FERRIS
17947 SHORT CUT RD
MURPHY ID 83650-5089

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	0.96 CFS
STOCKWATER	01/01 to 12/31	0.23 CFS

LOCATION OF POINT(S) OF DIVERSION:

GROUND WATER L3 (NW1/4SW1/4) Sec. 31, Twp 04S, Rge 01E, B.M. OWYHEE County

PLACE OF USE: IRRIGATION

Twp Rge Sec	NE				NW				SW				SE				Totals
	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
04S 01E 31											38.0	10.0					48.0
											L 3	L 4					

Total Acres: 48

PLACE OF USE: STOCKWATER

Twp Rge Sec	NE				NW				SW				SE				Totals
	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
04S 01E 31											X	X					
											L 3	L 4					

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

1. Proof of application of water to beneficial use shall be submitted on or before **January 01, 2019**.
2. Subject to all prior water rights.
3. 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.
4. 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.

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5. 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.
6. Rights 57-7267 and 57-7638 when combined shall not exceed a total diversion rate of 3.92 cfs.
7. This right when combined with all other rights shall provide no more than 0.02 cfs per acre nor more than 4.5 afa per acre at the field headgate for irrigation of the place of use.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. Right holder shall comply with the drilling permit requirements of Section 42-235, Idaho Code and applicable Well Construction Rules of the Department.
11. Stockwater use is for 1,000 range cattle.

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

Signed this 6th day of January, 2016.



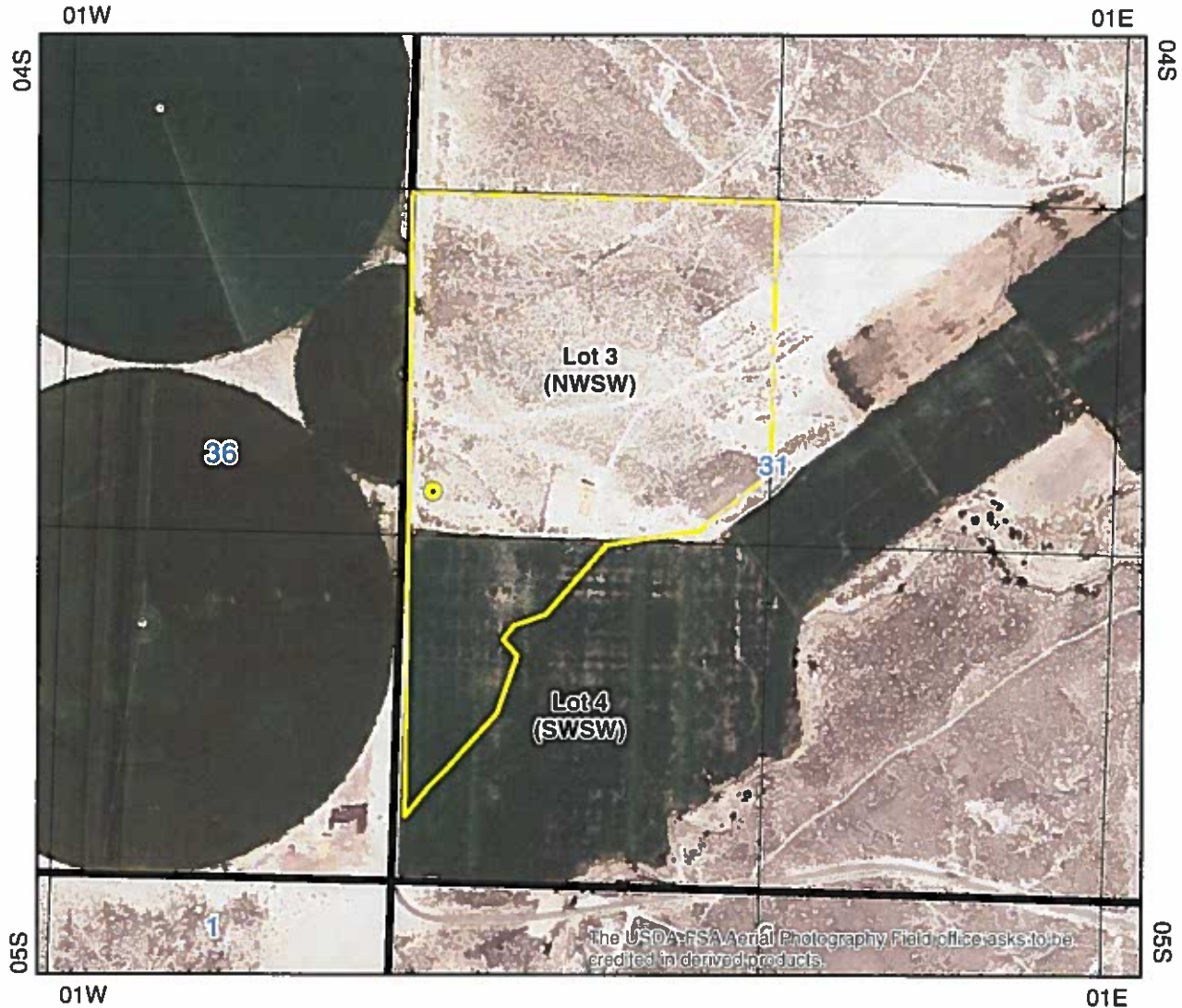
Nick Miller
Manager, IDWR Western Region

State of Idaho
Department of Water Resources

Attachment to Permit to Appropriate Water

57-7638

This map depicts the IRRIGATION and STOCKWATER place of use boundary for this water right at the time of this approval and is attached to the approval document solely for illustrative purposes.



0 0.075 0.15 0.3 Miles

- Point of Diversion
- Place Of Use Boundary
- Townships
- PLS Sections



STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

To appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho

1. Name: ROBERT A THOMAS 208-000-0000
 Address: HC 79 BOX 2060
 MURPHY ID 83650
 AND/OR
 Name: KELLY THOMAS 208-000-0000
 Address: HC 79 BOX 2060
 MURPHY ID 83650
 AND/OR
 Name: BEN A THOMAS 208-000-0000
 Address: HC 79 BOX 2060
 MURPHY ID 83650
 AND/OR
 Name: LINDA K FERRIS 208-000-0000
 Address: HC 79 BOX 2060
 MURPHY ID 83650

2. Source: GROUNDWATER Trib. to:
 3. Location of Point of Diversion: ~~Lot 3 (NWSW)~~ Sec. 31, Township 04S, Range 01E
~~Lot 4 (SWSW)~~ Sec. 31, Township 04S, Range 01E
 OWYHEE County

4. Water will be used for the following purposes:

Purpose	From	To	CFS	(or)	AF
IRRIGATION	03/15	11/15	0.960		
STOCKWATER	01/01	12/31	0.240		
			.23		

5. Total quantity to be appropriated is:
 1.200 CFS (and/or) AF
 1.19

6. Proposed diverting works:

- a. Description of ditches, flumes, pumps, headgates, etc.
 WELL, PUMP AND PIPELINE.
 b. Height of storage dam feet; active reservoir capacity
 acre-feet; total reservoir capacity acre-feet; period of
 year when water will be diverted to storage: to inclusive.
 c. Proposed well diameter is 24 inches; proposed depth of well is 360
 feet.
 d. Is groundwater with a temperature greater than 85F being sought? NO

* d'base updated 3/23/98. -sl.

** d'base update 4/22/98, see

s/1000 = .23 cfs max per Iowa standards.

Comments.

-sl

e. If well is already drilled, when?
Drilling Firm JOHNSON DRILLING
Well was drilled for SHIRLEY COX

7. Time required for the completion of the works and application of the water to the proposed beneficial use is 3 year(s).

8. Place of Use: IRRIGATION

TWN	RGE	SEC		ACRES		ACRES	ACRES	TOTAL
04S	01E	31	Lot 3 (NWSW)	38	Lot 4 (SWSW)	10		48

Total number of acres irrigated: 48

Place of Use: STOCKWATER, same as IRRIGATION use

9. a. Who owns the property at the point of diversion?

APPLICANT

b. Who owns the land to be irrigated or place of use?

APPLICANT

c. If the property is owned by a person other than the applicant, describe the arrangement enabling the applicant to make this filing.

10. Remarks: *Applicant agrees to mitigate consumptive use in the future as needed for single existing well on or near 1/4-1/4 line.*

11. Map of proposed point of diversion and place of use attached? ☒

BE IT KNOWN that the undersigned hereby makes application for permit to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho as herein set forth.

*CJH's
NOTES from
Early 1997* → Original
Applicant

Received by JS Date 2-6-97 Time 11:15 Preliminary check by R

Fee \$ 120 ~~400.00~~ Received by JS #W021939 Date 2/ 6/1997

Publication prepared by JS Date 3-25-98 Published in Owyhee Avalanche

Publication approved JS Date 5-20-98

multiple apps. on 1 receipt.

** 2 base updates per file i applicant's 2/12/98 response to me.*

-JR 3/23/98

Ident. No. 57-07638

Comments: Date: 3/10/1997 User-ID: STAYLOR

Subject: CORRECT LOCATION

THE WELL THIS APPLICATION IS BEING FILED ON WAS LOCATED IN THE SWSW, S.31 ON LICENSE NO. 57-7267. HOWEVER, THE APPLICANT FEELS IT IS IN THE NWSW, S. 31. THEREFORE, THIS APPLICATION IS BEING FILED SHOWING BOTH 1/4 1/4'S AND THE CORRECT ONE WILL NEED TO BE VERIFIED DURING THE BENEFICIAL USE FIELD EXAM.

SD-0420-2
ADD COMMENT

Idaho Department of Water Resources
Modify Comment

Date: 03/23/98
Time: 10:03:34

Water Right Number: 57-07638

Comment Date: 3/23/1998 User ID: SLESTER

Subject: ADDITIONAL PROCESSING INFORMATION

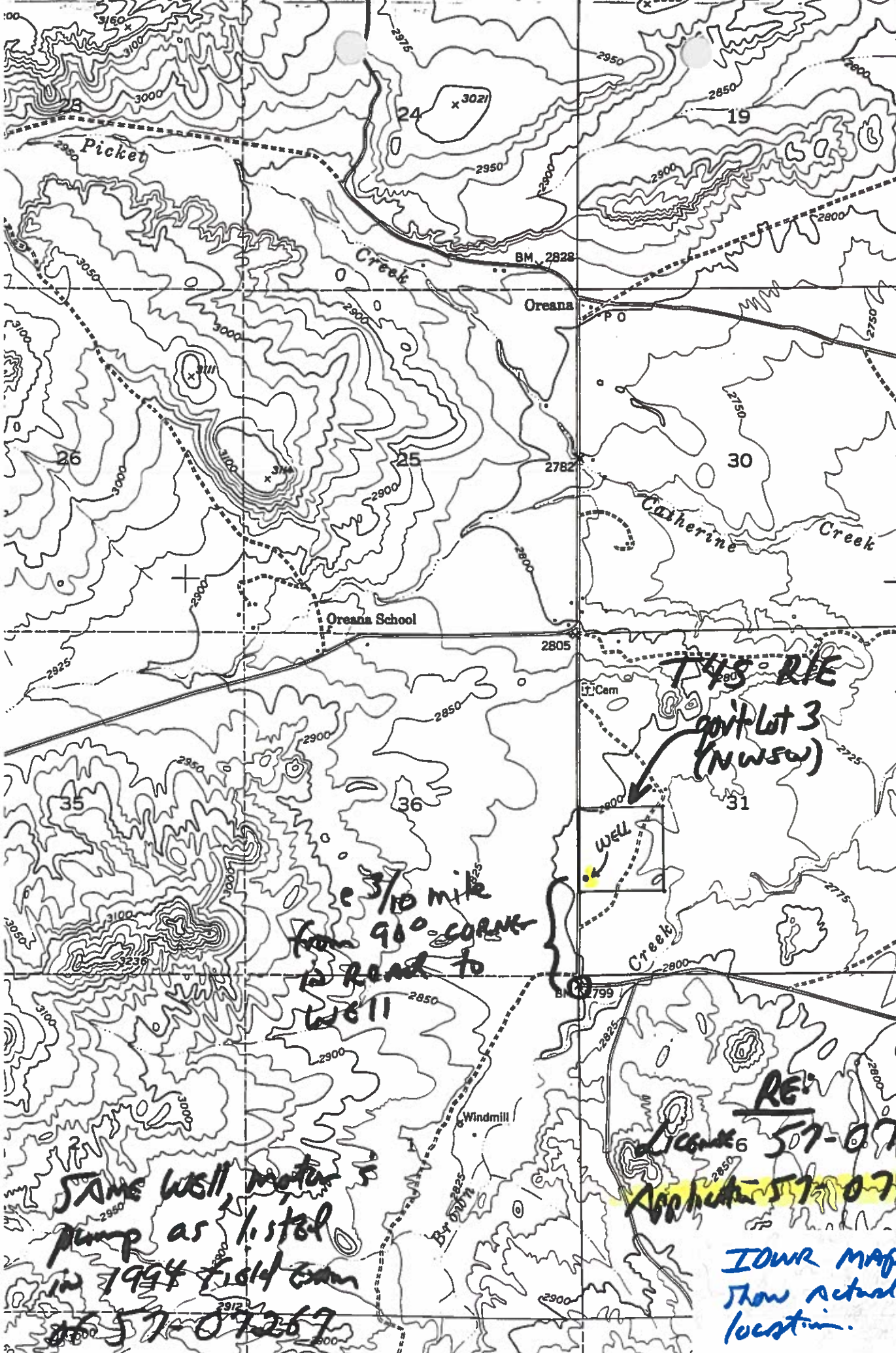
Per original, stock water is for 1000 range cattle (.23 cfs max. per IDWR standards). Regional Office had intended to confirm P/D location with site visit prior to advertising but ran out of time. Acceptable to advertise as 1 well with 2 tracts & follow up with site confirmation before file forwarded to S.O. If well is in NWSW, can correct the application plus solicit transfer to fix licensed right 57-07267. Surface water also is used in all/part of proposed P/U.

(Enter=Add) (Gold4=Prev) (Gold5=Next) (Gold7=Return to Comment Selection)

- 4/22/98 D'Base update -

Per 4/2/98 field check, well is definitely in NWSW. Deleted SWSW based on this information. Transfer appl. solicited to correct license 57-07267.

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SE part
of
QUAD
Z-57
"OREANA"

field
check
4/2/98
using
topo &
NAPP
Z-57 SE
to locate
well

T. 4 S.
T. 5 S.
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RE:
License 57-07267
App # 57-07638

IOWA MAP to
show actual well
location.

Same well, motor
pump as listed
in 1994 field exam
57-07267

-R 3/23/98

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

To appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho

1. Name of Applicant ROBERT A. & KELLY A. THOMAS & BEN A. THOMAS, JR. & LINDA K. FERRIS Phone _____
Mailing address HC 79, Box 2060, MURPHY, ID 83650
2. Source of water supply GROUNDWATER which is a tributary of _____
3. Location of point of diversion is Township 45 Range 1E Sec. 31 in the — 1/4, NW 1/4, SW 1/4, Govt. Lot _____, B.M., OWYHEE County;
additional points of diversion if any: SW 1/4 SW 1/4, SEC 31, TWP. 45, RGE. 1E
4. Water will be used for the following purposes:
- | |
|--|
| Amount <u>.96</u> for <u>IRRIGATION</u> purposes from <u>3-15</u> to <u>11-15</u> (both dates inclusive) |
| (cfs or acre-feet per annum) |
| Amount <u>.24</u> for <u>STOCKWATER</u> purposes from <u>1-1</u> to <u>12-31</u> (both dates inclusive) |
| (cfs or acre-feet per annum) |
| Amount _____ for _____ purposes from _____ to _____ (both dates inclusive) |
| (cfs or acre-feet per annum) |
| Amount _____ for _____ purposes from _____ to _____ (both dates inclusive) |
| (cfs or acre-feet per annum) |
| Amount _____ for _____ purposes from _____ to _____ (both dates inclusive) |
| (cfs or acre-feet per annum) |
| Amount _____ for _____ purposes from _____ to _____ (both dates inclusive) |
| (cfs or acre-feet per annum) |
5. Total quantity to be appropriated is (a) 1.20 and/or (b) _____
cubic feet per second acre feet per annum
6. Proposed diverting works:
- a. Describe type and size of devices used to divert water from the source EXISTING 24" WELL, 360' DEEP FOR SPRINKLER IRRIGATION.
- b. Height of storage dam _____ feet; active reservoir capacity _____ acre-feet; total reservoir capacity _____ acre-feet
- c. Proposed well diameter is 24" inches; proposed depth of well is 360' feet
- d. Is ground water with a temperature of greater than 85°F being sought? NO
- e. If well is already drilled, when? 1-26-91; Drilling firm JOHNSTON DRILLING;
Well was drilled for (well owner) SHIRLEY COX; Drilling Permit No. 57-90-C-0013-000
7. Time required for completion of works and application of water to proposed beneficial use is 3 years (minimum 1 year)
8. Description of proposed uses (if irrigation only, go to item 9):
- a. Hydropower; show total feet of head and proposed capacity in KW. _____
- b. Stockwatering; list number and kind of livestock. 1000 HEAD RANGE CATTLE
- c. Municipal; show name of municipality. _____
- d. Domestic; show number of households. _____
- e. Other; describe fully. _____

9. Description of place of use:

a. If water is for irrigation, indicate acreage in each subdivision in the tabulation below.

b. If water is used for other purposes, place a symbol of the use (example: D for Domestic) in the corresponding place of use below. See instructions for standard symbols.

TWP	RGE	SEC	N E				N W				S W				S E				TOTALS
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
45	1E	31									38	10							48

Total number of acres to be irrigated 48

10. Describe any other water rights used for the same purposes as described above. LICENSE NO. 57-07267- SAME WELL, DIFFERENT LAND.

11. a. Who owns the property at the point of diversion? APPLICANTS

b. Who owns the land to be irrigated or place of use? APPLICANTS

c. If the property is owned by a person other than the applicant, describe the arrangement enabling the applicant to make this filing: _____

12. Remarks: THE WELL THIS APPLICATION IS BEING FILED ON WAS LOCATED IN THE SW 1/4, S. 31 ON LICENSE NO. 57-07267. HOWEVER, THE APPLICANT FEELS IT IS IN THE NW 1/4, S. 31. THEREFORE, THIS APPLICATION IS BEING FILED SHOWING BOTH 1/4'S AND THE CORRECT ONE WILL NEED TO BE VERIFIED DURING THE BENEFICIAL USE FIELD EXAM.

13. MAP OF PROPOSED PROJECT REQUIRED - Attach an 8 1/2"x11" map clearly identifying the proposed point of diversion, place of use, section #, township & range. (A photocopy of a USGS 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle map is preferred.)

BE IT KNOWN that the undersigned hereby makes this application for permit to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho as herein set forth.

Robert A. Thomas

Signature of Applicant (and title, if applicable)

Received by [Signature] Date 2-6-97 Time 11:15 AM Preliminary check by [Signature]
 Fee \$ 180 Received by [Signature] # W021939 Date 2-6-97
 Publication prepared by _____ Date _____ Published in _____
 Publication approved _____ Date _____



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January 6, 2016

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Director

ROBERT A THOMAS
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LINDA K FERRIS
17947 SHORT CUT RD
MURPHY ID 83650-5089

RE: Permit No.57-7638

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)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 6, 2016 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.

57-7638

**BEN A THOMAS JR
KELLY A THOMAS
LINDA K FERRIS
ROBERT A THOMAS
17947 SHORTCUT RD
MURPHY ID 83650**



**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.



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GARY SPACKMAN, Director

November 4, 2014

BOB THOMAS ET AL
17947 SHORTCUT RD
MURPHY ID 83650

Re: Applications for Permit Nos. 57-7637 and 57-7638

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is quite a lot of information that we discussed at your recent office visit. Here is the summary of the enclosed.

Amended Applications 57-7637 and 57-7638

Need to add list of names to both applications under page 1, item 1. At least 1 signature is needed near end of page 2.

For 57-7637 irrigation south of the creek, the exact number of acres per $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ is not critical provided the correct total number of acres and all the proposed $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$'s are listed.

For 57-7638 stockwater, I checked two $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ boxes based on the original application. You can add more if desired by checking more boxes. In that case, I will update the map to match that when receiving your reply.

The "assignment of application for permit" forms can be used if the applicant names are changing from the originals (no fee required).

Printouts of the original application data are enclosed for your reference.

Application for Transfer, Correcting Well Location 57-7267

This right lists SWSW for the well. The same well is identified in Application 57-7638, in which this office verified the correct site as NWSW. The transfer can correct this error. A legal notice for the transfer would not be necessary. Unfortunately, the transfer would be \$740. You can file the transfer now or defer it to a later time if you prefer. Deferring the transfer will not affect Application 57-7638.

2013 Field Exam by Department

This site visit you mentioned was to verify development and issue a license for right 57-7639, copy enclosed.

Applications 57-7637 and 57-7638

November 4, 2014

Page 2

Additional Information for Application 57-7637

Application 57-7637 for a Low Temperature Geothermal (LTG) well to irrigate more land requires additional information as we discussed. Please provide information addressing the following concerns.

- Demonstrate additional water is available from the LTG resource. Alternately, you can show that your proposed use will not require more water than currently defined in right 57-2235 from the same well.
- Show that your proposed use will not injure other users of the LTG resource in your area.
- Complete the enclosed "request for exemption of use of the low temperature geothermal resource" if you do not intend to amend this application to include a beneficial use of the heat value from the LTG resource as part of your application.

Please provide this additional information by May 1, 2015. You may submit your amended applications before then or wait until then if you prefer. You may seek more time later in this process but before that deadline if you prefer. The applications will be voided without a timely written response.

Please let me know if you need more information. Thank you for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,



Steve Lester
Interim Western Region Manager

Enclosure



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C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor

GARY SPACKMAN, Director

September 2, 2014

BOB THOMAS ET AL
17947 SHORTCUT RD
MURPHY ID 83650

Re: Applications for Permit Nos. 57-7637 and 57-7638 ✓

Dear Bob:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) has focused on the Snake River Basin Adjudication, reducing a backlog of transfer applications, conducting field exams and issuing licenses for developed permits, creating and managing water districts and so forth in recent years. Significant progress has been made on all fronts. In the process of working on those areas, a few unintentionally neglected applications for permit seeking new water rights were encountered. The above referenced applications are two of those applications. Please see the enclosed information:

- Proof reports from the IDWR database summarizing your applications
- Copy of your 1997 letter explaining these applications
- * < • IDWR aerial photo map showing the application sites and surrounding wells apparently owned by others
- IDWR notes about the applications
- "Hot water well" waiver form if heat value is not intended to be used for one of the application wells.

I enclosed this information instead of trying to address all of it in a letter, hoping this approach would be more helpful. After you have reviewed the information, please contact me for an appointment at this office to discuss the issues in person.

I will assume you have no further interest in the applications if I do not hear from you in the next sixty (60) days. The applications will be voided in that case. Thank you for your attention to these matters. On behalf of IDWR, please accept my apology for any inconvenience due to these overlooked applications.

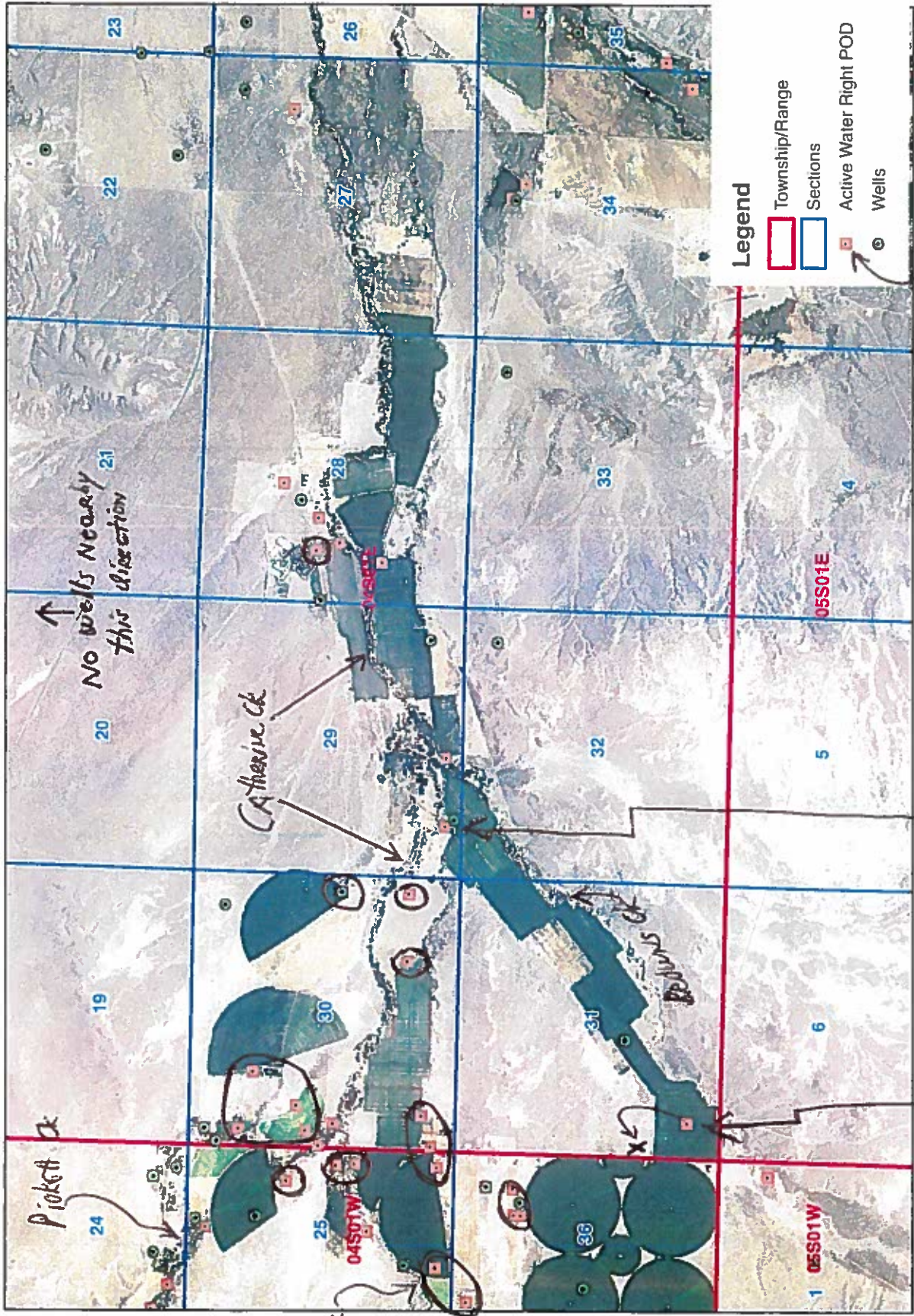
Sincerely,

Steve Lester
Water Rights Supervisor

* Enclosure

*these 2 copied for file, others are already file done
or are standard forms/permissions*

THOMAS APPLICATIONS



57-7638
Cold well
x = Actual location

57-7637
hot well

IDWR NOTES -- THOMAS APPLS 57-7637 & 57-7638

- SL 9/2/2014

- Filed 1997, advertised without protests.
- Trust Water, SRBA, backlog etc. issues, delays.
- Now ok to continue if sufficient additional information.

BOTH APPLS

Within Trust Water area, possible approval subject to term limit review (approval renewable?).

Improved efficiency (sprinklers), irrigate new acres from existing systems "without increased amount of water."

No shallow ground water involved re Catherine Creek water district.

Need about 0.01 cfs/acre (1/2") to produce 4.5 af/ year volume requirement (definition of irrigation water right).

APPL 57-7637, HOT WELL

Same well as 57-2335.

No additional rate but more acres = more volume (definition of irrigation water right).

57-2335: 237 acres, 3.56 cfs, 1066.5 af.

If enough water available, rate from 57-2335 can produce about 1836 af in irrigation season (3.56 cfs x 260 days x 1.9835), subtract 1067 af, leaves 769 af possibly available.

1836 af / 4.5 af/acre = 408 maximum acres minus 237 already covered = 171 new acres x 0.02 max = 3.42 cfs total appl:

- * Limit 3.56 cfs with 57-2335
- * Limit 8.86 cfs with 57-40 (creek), 57-10558 (spring), 57-2335
- * 171 acres x 4.5 af/acre = 769.5 af/year, none left for more stockwater (delete that use¹).

1st show use heat value & then secondary irrigation use, or seek 42-233 waiver (see waiver form):

- * Waiver approvable if applicant thinks more water available from cold well about 1 mile southwest in appl 57-7638?

¹ Stockwater, 1000 range cattle, 0.23 cfs maximum rate allowable, requires 13.4 af/year (1000 x 0.0134), about 3 acres irrigation volume equivalent, reduce irrigation acres & irrigation cfs if want to include stockwater.

Delete injection/re-diversion since sprinklers, not creek conveyance for ditches.

Issues:

- * 57-7267 Trust Water term due 2016 to see if can renew, possible interference with approval of new right for same owner
- * Heat value
- * More volume available in hot water aquifer
- * Injury to other hot water wells (typically pressure-sensitive, impacts can be faster)
- * Project cost & financial resources.

APPL 57-7638, COLD WELL

Same well as 57-7267 which shows SWSW, actually NWSW, requires POD transfer to correct 57-7267 ("short form" \$740, legal notices n/a).

57-7267: 210 acres, 3.92 cfs, implies $4.5 \times 210 = 945$ af/year (listed in conditions of approval).

If enough water available, rate from 57-7267 can produce about 2022 af in irrigation season ($3.92 \text{ cfs} \times 260 \text{ days} \times 1.9835$), subtract 945 af, leaves 1077 af possibly available.

$2022 \text{ af} / 4.5 \text{ af/acre} = 449$ maximum acres minus 210 already covered = 239 new acres maybe possible.

1000 range cattle, maximum 0.23 cfs, need 13.4 af/year.

48 new acres @ 0.96 cfs & 216 af (4.5×48) plus stockwater 0.23 cfs & 13.4 af; non-additive rate when combined with 57-7267 but additive volume, 229.4 more af/year within 1077 potential limit:

- * Limit 3.92 cfs with 57-7267.

Issues:

- * 57-7267 Trust Water term due 2016 to see if can renew, possible interference with approval of new right for same owner
- * More volume available in cold water aquifer
- * Injury to other cold water wells.

MEMORANDUM

✓ Office Visit _____ Telephone _____ Meeting

TO 57-7637, 57-7638
FROM SL
DATE 1/3/2005
RE ADDRESS CHANGE

- BOB Thomas w/ Steve Harman, CEO

- discussed 42 233 etc. re these apps

- county updated to use street address

- new address 17947 Thortent Rd

Murphy ID 83650-5089

→ (other rights have this update already
57-40 etc.)

8/29/2014 note



State of Idaho

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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April 22, 1998

PHILIP E. BATT
GOVERNOR

KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

ROBERT A THOMAS
HC 79 BOX 2060
MURPHY ID 83650

RE: RIGHT NOS. 57-07267 AND 57-07638

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I confirmed the well location for the above referenced water right records in my field visit of April 2, 1998. You are correct that the well is in the NWSW of Section 31 instead of the SWSW.

Pending Application for Permit No. 57-07638 will show the correct well location. License No. 57-07267 can be corrected by filing the enclosed Application for Transfer. The only items needed to complete the transfer are your notarized signature and a \$100 filing fee.

Please return the completed transfer application to me at your earliest convenience. I will be glad to provide any other information that you may need in this regard.

Sincerely,

Steve Lester
Water Rights Supervisor

Enclosure

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April 20, 1998

Idaho Department of Water Resources
Western Region
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Boise, Idaho 83705-5082

VIA FACSIMILE 208-334-2348RE: THOMAS-FERRIS APPLICATIONS 57-07637, 57-07638 & 57-07639

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Idaho Power Company, we have reviewed the above referenced water right applications. Because the proposed point of diversion and place of use is within the "trust water" area defined by the Swan Falls Agreement and resulting legislation, we have conducted this review in an effort to determine whether the proposed use will adversely impact the water rights of the Company and whether it complies with the provisions of the Idaho Code implementing the Swan Falls Agreement.

While the application appears to be complete, from the location of the proposed diversion, it does appear that the proposed use will impact groundwater flows to the Snake River. As such, we expect that the Department will undertake the necessary investigation and review to insure that the proposed use satisfies the criteria and conditions set out in the Idaho Code (including I.C. § 42-203A-C and 204) and such other provisions of law that may be applicable. If our expectation is incorrect, please advise us immediately so we can take such action as may be necessary to insure that such an investigation and review does occur.

By this correspondence or the failure to file a protest at this time, the Idaho Power Company neither waives nor relinquishes any rights it may have to initiate later administrative or legal action to enforce or protect its water rights.

Very truly yours,



JAMES C. TUCKER

zhs.98ipcrw/thomas.br

The Owyhee Avalanche

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APR 14 1998

WATER RESOURCES
WESTERN REGION

STATE OF IDAHO)
) ss
COUNTY OF OWYHEE)

I, Joe E. Aman, being first duly sworn, depose and say:

1. That I am a citizen of the United States of America, and at all times hereinafter mentioned was and now over the age of twenty-one years, not a party to nor interested in the proceedings hereinafter mentioned.

2. That during the time of the publication of the notice hereinafter mentioned, I was and now am the publisher of The Owyhee Avalanche, a newspaper of general circulation printed and published weekly, on Wednesday of each and every week, in the City of Homedale, County of Owyhee and State of Idaho.

3. That the said The Owyhee Avalanche has been printed and published continuously and uninterruptedly in said County during a period of more than seventy-eight weeks prior to the first publication of the attached notice.

4. That said notice of which a printed copy, taken from said newspaper, is hereto affixed, was published in the regular issue thereof, and not a supplement thereto, in

said newspaper, in Two (2)

(consecutive) calendar weekly issue(s) of said newspaper, in the following date(s):

April 1, and 8, 1998

Signed Joe E. Aman

Subscribed and sworn to me this 8th day of April A.D., 19 98

Shirley M. Hartman

Notary Public in and for the State of Idaho
Residing at Homedale, Idaho
Commission expires April 22, 2002

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR WATER RIGHT

The Following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:

57-07644

WATERS, JIMMY M
WATERS, VIRGINIA
RT 1 BOX 785
MARSING, ID 83639
Source: GROUNDWATER
Diversion Pt: SESE Sec 35 T
02N R 04W in OWYHEE
County.
Use: IRRIGATION (0.160 CFS)
DOMESTIC (0.040 CFS)
Total Diversion: (0.200 CFS)
Date Filed: 5/13/1997
In: OWYHEE County
T02N R04W S35 NESE, SESE
8.0 ACRES TOTAL

Applicant agrees to mitigate
consumptive use in the future
as needed.

57-07637

FERRIS, LINDA K
THOMAS, ROBERT A
THOMAS, KELLY A
THOMAS, BEN A JR
HC 79, BOX 2060
MURPHY, ID 83650
Source: GROUNDWATER
Diversion Pt: NENWSW Sec 28
T 04S R 01E in OWYHEE
County.
SESWSW Sec 29 T 04S R 01E
In OWYHEE County.
SESESW Sec 29 T 04S R 01E
In OWYHEE County.
SESESW Sec 29 T 04S R 01E
In OWYHEE County.
Use: IRRIGATION (3.460 CFS)
STOCKWATER (0.240 CFS)
Total Diversion: (3.700 CFS)
Date Filed: 2/6/1997
In: OWYHEE County
T04S R01E S29 NESW NWSW
SWSW SESW
NWSE SWSE
S32 NWNE NENW
173.0 ACRES TOTAL

Applicant agrees to mitigate
consumptive use in the future
as needed.

57-07638

FERRIS, LINDA K
THOMAS, ROBERT A
THOMAS, KELLY A
THOMAS, BEN A JR
HC 79, BOX 2060
MURPHY, ID 83650
Source: GROUNDWATER
Diversion Pt: LOT 3 (NWSW)
Sec 31 T 04S R 01E in
OWYHEE County.
LOT 4 (SWSW) Sec 31 T 04S R
01E in OWYHEE County.
Use: IRRIGATION (0.960 CFS)
STOCKWATER (0.230 CFS)
Total Diversion: (1.190 CFS)
Date Filed: 3/10/1997
In: OWYHEE County
T04S R01E S31 Lot 3(NWSW)
Lot 4(SWSW)
48.0 ACRES TOTAL

Applicant agrees to mitigate
consumptive use in the future
as needed for single existing
well on or near 1/4-1/4 line.

Permits will be subject to all
prior water rights. Protests
may be submitted based on
the criteria of Sec. 42-203A,
Idaho Code. Any protest
against the approval of this
application must be filed with
the Director, Dept. of Water
Resources, Western Region,
2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho
83705 together with a protest
fee of \$25.00 on or before APRIL
20, 1998. The protestant must
also send a copy of the protest
to the applicant.

KARL J. DREHER, Direc-
tor

CONVERSATION MEMORANDUM

DATE 3/23/98
FILE 57-07267
57-07638

NAME OF PARTY ~~RUB~~ N/A
EMPLOYEE R

RE: Verifying Location of Existing Well:

Licensed to 57-07267 SWSW

Appl. 57-07638 W¹/₂SW but probably
is NWSW per
3/17/98 office visit

Regional state was going to confirm w/ site
visit by 3/24 deadline for advertising purposes.

However, time will not allow site visit.

OK to advertise as existing well on/near QQ
line, then confirm in next few weeks.

If permit issued, can specify correct QQ
then.

If NWSW, Applicant can follow up w/ transfer
to correct license - no harm done, it
appears, from this technique.

orig → S.O. file 57-07267
cc → Region " " 57-07638



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March 23, 1998

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GOVERNOR

KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

ATTN SHARON HART STRICKLAND
ROSHOLT ROBERTSON & TUCKER
PO BOX 1906
TWIN FALLS ID 83303-1906

RE: THOMAS-FERRIS APPLICATIONS 57-07637 & 57-07638

Dear Ms. Strickland:

This letter is to notify you that the above referenced applications for permit will be published in the Owyhee County newspaper during the first two weeks of April, 1998.

You requested this update in your March 14, 1997 letter. Please contact this office for more information if needed.

Sincerely,

Steve Lester
Water Rights Supervisor

CONVERSATION MEMORANDUM

DATE 3/17/98

FILE T. 5182

NAME OF PARTY BOB Thomas

57-07637

EMPLOYEE JL

57-07638

RE: Office Visit - Response to IOWA 2/25/98 Letter

T5182

Will have lionholder's response faxed/mailed very soon.

57-07637

Same well as 57-02235. See T5182 for same injection/RE-diversion points.

OK to add mitigation remarks per 2/12/98 response form.

No cold water well available or feasible. Seeks waiver to I.C. 42-233 as others have done in this portion of duplex cr.

57-07638

Is fairly sure existing well (57-07267) is in snow, not snow. Estimator well c 1900' N. of 90° corner.

Regin staff will make site visit soonest to verify.

Try to advertise 7637 & 7638 1st 2 weeks of April.

Send word to Roskott firm & notice per firm's request.

Law firm does not respond

WELL DRILLER'S REPORT

State law requires that this report be filed with the Director, Department of Water Resources within 30 days after the completion or abandonment of the well.

1. WELL OWNER

Name Shirley Cox

Address HC 79 Box 2065 Orcutt Id.

Drilling Permit No. 57-902-013

Water Right Permit No. 57-7267 Amendment

2. NATURE OF WORK

☒ New well ☐ Deepened ☐ Replacement

☐ Well diameter increase

☐ Abandoned (describe abandonment procedures such as materials, plug depths, etc. in lithologic log)

3. PROPOSED USE

☐ Domestic ☒ Irrigation ☐ Test ☐ Municipal

☐ Industrial ☐ Stock ☐ Waste Disposal or Injection

☐ Other _____ (specify type)

4. METHOD DRILLED

☐ Rotary ☐ Air ☐ Hydraulic ☐ Reverse rotary

☒ Cable ☐ Dug ☐ Other _____

5. WELL CONSTRUCTION

Casing schedule: ☒ Steel ☐ Concrete ☐ Other _____

Thickness	Diameter	From	To
<u>1/4</u> inches	<u>24</u> inches	<u>1</u> feet	<u>19</u> feet
<u>1/4</u> inches	<u>16</u> inches	<u>1</u> feet	<u>311</u> feet
_____ inches	_____ inches	_____ feet	_____ feet
_____ inches	_____ inches	_____ feet	_____ feet

Was casing drive shoe used? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Was a packer or seal used? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Perforated? ☒ Yes ☐ No

How perforated? ☒ Factory ☐ Knife ☐ Torch ☐ Gun

Size of perforation 1/8 inches by 3 inches

Number	From	To
<u>1880</u> perforations	<u>122</u> feet	<u>302</u> feet
_____ perforations	_____ feet	_____ feet
_____ perforations	_____ feet	_____ feet

Well screen installed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Manufacturer's name _____

Type _____ Model No. _____

Diameter _____ Slot size _____ Set from _____ feet to _____ feet

Diameter _____ Slot size _____ Set from _____ feet to _____ feet

Gravel packed? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Size of gravel 1/2"

Placed from 0 feet to 302 feet

Surface seal depth _____ Material used in seal: ☒ Cement grout

☐ Bentonite ☐ Puddling clay ☐ _____

Sealing procedure used: ☐ Slurry pit ☐ Temp. surface casing

☒ Overbore to seal depth

Method of joining casing: ☐ Threaded ☒ Welded ☐ Solvent Weld

☐ Cemented between strata

Describe access port 1 1/2" S pipe and 6" S pipe

7. WATER LEVEL

Static water level 30 feet below land surface.

Flowing? ☐ Yes ☒ No G.P.M. flow _____

Artesian closed-in pressure _____ p.s.i.

Controlled by: ☐ Valve ☐ Cap ☐ Plug

Temperature 58 OF. Quality _____

Describe artesian or temperature zones below.

8. WELL TEST DATA

☒ Pump ☐ Bailor ☐ Air ☐ Other _____

Discharge G.P.M.	Pumping Level	Hours Pumped
<u>1890</u>	<u>135</u>	<u>8</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

9. LITHOLOGIC LOG

Bore Diam.	Depth From	Depth To	Material	Water Yes/No
<u>26</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>top soil</u>	☒
<u>26</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>yellow clay</u>	☒
<u>24</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>yellow clay</u>	☒
<u>24</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>blue clay</u>	☒
<u>24</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>fine black sand</u>	☒
<u>24</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>198</u>	<u>layers of sand and sandstone some brown or little black or white</u>	☒
<u>24</u>	<u>198</u>	<u>268</u>	<u>sandy grey clay with narrow layers of sandstone</u>	☒
<u>24</u>	<u>268</u>	<u>274</u>	<u>medium sand</u>	☒
<u>24</u>	<u>274</u>	<u>277</u>	<u>hard sandstone</u>	☒
<u>24</u>	<u>277</u>	<u>279</u>	<u>blue grey clay</u>	☒
<u>24</u>	<u>279</u>	<u>302</u>	<u>medium sand</u>	☒
<u>16</u>	<u>302</u>	<u>311</u>	<u>blue clay</u>	☒
<u>12</u>	<u>311</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>blue clay</u>	☒

WATER BELOW 40-121'

CONFINING LAYER SO

ASSUME NOT IMPACTING

SURFACE WATER CREEKS

-82

10.

Work started 9-27-70 finished 1-26-71

6. LOCATION OF WELL

Sketch map location must agree with written location.

N

W

E

S

31

Subdivision Name _____

Lot No. _____ Block No. _____

County Owyhee

N 1/4 Sec. 31 T. 4 S. 1 R. 1

11. DRILLERS CERTIFICATION

I/We certify that all minimum well construction standards were complied with at the time the rig was removed.

Firm Name Johnston Drilling Firm No. 92

Address Melba Id. Date 2-4-71

Signed by (Firm Official) Elmer D Johnston

and

(Operator) J. Shuck Johnston

4/2/98

from 90° - N. 1. Hk over .3 mi
to well is old = NW5W
confined since well re motor/pump specs.
Is only well e here



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February 25, 1998

PHILIP E. BATT
GOVERNOR

KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

ROBERT THOMAS ET AL
HC 79 BOX 2060
MURPHY ID 83650

RE: WATER RIGHT FILINGS PENDING AT IDWR

Dear Mr. Thomas:

This letter regards several water right filings pending at the Western Region office. Each filing is addressed separately as noted below.

TRANSFER #5182

The transfer involves adding a new diversion point to Catherine Creek right #57-00040. The new point will also serve as a new re-diversion point for well water injected into the creek via right #57-02235, which concerns a geothermal well.

The transfer file indicates that you are going to provide authorization for the change from the lienholder of the land described by the rights. The authorization is needed before processing can resume. Enclosed for your convenience is a copy of the first page of the transfer application plus printouts for the two rights recently decreed in the adjudication process.

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT #57-07637

This application lists the same well identified in #57-02235 but for different acres. Two pieces of information are needed for this filing.

1. The application includes land on both sides of Catherine and/or Brown Creek. Will the additional use of the well include injection of well water into the creek(s) and re-diversion of that water from the creek(s) as described by the current use of right #57-02235? If so, the injection and re-diversion points should be included in the application.
2. I.C. § 42-233 requires that geothermal ground water must first be used for heat value in a new appropriation before being used for irrigation or other non-heat value uses. It does not appear that heat value from this well is being utilized according to current water right and/or adjudication claim records. Please provide a response to the requirement of this statute.

Robert Thomas Et Al
February 25, 1998
Page 2

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT #57-07638

This filing involves additional irrigation from the well listed in license #57-07267. The application states that the license incorrectly locates the well, and the application includes a well site in NWSW and/or SWSW Section 31. Now is the time to correctly locate this well. Please use the enclosed map to locate the well. Include a justification for the location (distance from 90 degree road corner?).

If the well is actually in NWSW Section 31, a transfer application will be needed to correct license #57-07267 while application #57-07638 is corrected and then processed.

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT #57-07639

The last application includes additional acres from the spring noted in recently decreed right #57-10558. This application can be processed without delay.

Please provide the necessary information for transfer #5182 and applications #57-07637 and #57-07638 at your earliest convenience to allow processing of these three filings to proceed. Please let me know if you need any help in this process. Application #57-07639 will move ahead in the meantime. This letter is copied to Sharon Hart Strickland at Rosholt Robertson & Tucker per her request of March 14, 1997.

Sincerely,



Steve Lester
Water Rights Supervisor

Enclosures

c: Sharon Hart Strickland

RESPONSE FORM

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WATER RESOURCES
WESTERN REGION

COMPLETE ONLY IF YOU WANT YOUR
APPLICATION TO BE PROCESSED

Name of Applicant

THOMAS Brothers Ranch

Mailing Address

HC 79

Box 2060

OREGON, Id . 83650

Application No.

57-07637, 57-07638, 57-07639

Mitigation

Yes, I agree to accept a condition of approval on my application that will require mitigation related to fishery resources based upon a finding by the Director, Idaho Dept. of Water Resources. I understand that mitigation is not needed now but may be needed in the future. I also understand that the Director will not invoke this condition until I have an opportunity to participate in the process by which mitigation is identified and quantified.

Signature

Robert A. Thomas

Date

Feb. 9, 1998

Please return this form to:

Idaho Dept. of Water Resources
Western Regional Office
2735 Airport Way
Boise, ID 83705-5082



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PHILIP E. BATT
GOVERNOR

KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

February 4, 1998

DISTRIBUTION: Applicants whose water right applications were held without action pending fishery resources issues.

Dear Applicant:

You filed an application for permit to develop a water right that includes consumptive use (see attached profile report). This office was not been able to process such applications in your area until some water supply issues related to fishery resources were resolved.

A method to address these issues now exists. Applications that include consumptive use can be processed if applicants are willing to accept a condition of approval that can require mitigation at a later date if the need for mitigation is clearly documented. Mitigation can include steps such as purchasing storage water to offset adverse impacts to fishery resources that new water developments might cause.

Enclosed is a response form to be completed and returned if you want your application to be processed. To the extent possible given other factors, applications will be processed in the order in which they were filed.

Also enclosed is a withdrawal form. If you no longer have an interest in obtaining the water right outlined in your filing, please complete and return this form. You will receive a refund for the filing fee associated with the application.

Delays in processing due to department considerations such as those discussed in this letter do not affect the priority date of your application. Please contact this office at 334-2190 if you have any questions about your application.

Sincerely,

Western Region Allocation Staff

Enclosures: Profile Report, Response Form and Withdrawal Form

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March 14, 1997

Cindy Hodges
Sr. Water Resource Agent
Idaho Dept. of Water Resources
Western Region
2735 Airport Way
Boise, Idaho 83705-5082

RE: ROBERT THOMAS APPLICATIONS FOR PERMIT

Dear Cindy:

Thank you for forwarding copies of the Thomas applications for my review. Would you please document your file to contact me when these applications are publicly noticed, as mentioned in your letter.

Once again, thanks for your assistance.

Sincerely,



SHARON HART STRICKLAND
Certified Legal Assistant



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PHILIP E. BATT
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KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

March 12, 1997

SHARON STRICKLAND
ROSHOLT ROBERTSON AND TUCKER
PO BOX 1906
TWIN FALLS ID 83303

RE: Robert Thomas Applications for Permit

Dear Sharon:

Enclosed are copies of three applications for permit, numbered 57-07637, 57-07638 and 57-07639, which were filed on 2-6-97 by Robert Thomas. As we discussed over the telephone, these applications are not yet scheduled for advertising, even though one of them was inadvertently placed on the new applications listing.

These filings will remain on hold at this office until they are advertised. If you would like to be contacted during the public notice period, please advise me and I will place a request in the files.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Cindy Hodges
Sr. Water Resource Agent

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THOMAS BROTHERS RANCH
HC 79 Box 2060 ~ Oreana, ID 83650 ~ USA
Phone (208) 834-2638 ~ Fax (208) 834-2638

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WATER RESOURCES
WESTERN REGION

March 7, 1997

Mr. Karl Dreyer, Director
1301 N. Orchard St.
Boise, Idaho 83705-5082

Dear Mr. Karl Dreyer,

On February 6, 1997, we applied for three applications for permits with Jan Shurte. The purpose of this correspondence is to express hope that this process be completed for the 1997 growing season. Under our existing water rights, we are trying to increase the efficiency of water currently being utilized. A brief summarization of each of those applications is as follows.

First, regarding water right known as 57-07267. Currently this well is being utilized only three out of the four weeks a month during the growing season. In addition to this existing time period, it would be our intent to use this well water during that one week period of non-use.

Secondly, water right 57-02235 is a well that is currently being utilized only as flood irrigating via miles of dirt laden ditches. As you are aware, sprinkling would be a much more efficient method and useage of the water. It is our goal to utilize the existing amount of water with sprinklers but apply it over a broader base of ground.

Lastly, right 57-10558 is a situation where the water is in useage approximately 80% of the time. We would like to utilize that remaining 20% in order to make more efficient use of the current system.

In closing, we would appreciate you and your staff's efforts to expedite the processing of these three permits. If you have any questions or concerns we would be happy to address those. Thank you for your time and attention regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert Thomas

Robert Thomas

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT NOS.

57-07637

57-07638

57-07639