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Director

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Re: Status of Tammany View, LLC Project

Dear Mr. Snyder:

This is in response to your inquiry as to the status of the Tammany View, LLC project located in Section 7 and Section 18, Township 34 North, Range 04 West.

The Idaho Department of Water Resources issued Tammany View, LLC a municipal water right permit in 2007, Permit No. 85-15690, with the source being from two wells. The completion date for the project was slated for June 1, 2011 as stated on the permit. On March 31, 2011, a certified letter was sent to the permit holder reminding them that their Statement of Completion is due on or before June 1, 2011, otherwise the Department will issue a lapse notice. The file further shows numerous attempts were made to reach the permit holder by phone with no response. On June 8, 2011 a second certified letter was sent to the permit holder stating the permit had lapsed.

To restart the project, the Department will require the filing of a new water right application in compliance with the current Lewiston Plateau Ground Water Management Plan. The Tammany View, LLC property is located within Area B of the ground water management plan and "all new appropriations of water, except domestic use in some cases, will be limited to use from the regional aquifer". It has been determined the regional aquifer is located within the Grande Ronde basalt formation and is recharged by the Snake River. What is not known is to what extent the regional aquifer exists throughout the Lewiston Plateau.

Well logs for the Tammany View, LLC project indicate the two existing wells are not deep enough to be considered in the regional aquifer. Bottom hole elevations for the wells are estimated at 1300.00 feet above sea level. Corresponding Snake River elevation, due west of the Tammany View, LLC project is estimated at 750.00 feet above sea level. If the regional aquifer exists in the Tammany View, LLC area and is recharged by the Snake River, wells need to be constructed below the elevation of the Snake River. To what depth depends on the existence and location of the aquifer.

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Wells proposed to be completed into the regional aquifer must be cased and sealed into the geologic formation that confines the regional aquifer. Well logs for the Tammany View, LLC project indicates the wells do not meet the sealing requirement for the current ground water management plan.

Provisions of the Lewiston Plateau Ground Water Management Plan do not preclude an application for appropriation or application for well drilling permit from being considered for additional uses from the shallow aquifers if the Director determines, based on information submitted by the applicant, that sufficient water is available and other prior water rights will not be injured.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me at this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Keith E. Franklin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Keith" being more prominent and the last name "Franklin" following in a similar style.

Keith E Franklin
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