

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 12, 2015
To: Transfer 80513
From: Michael Holliday
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

The purpose of this transfer is to rearrange the place of use.

Authority to File:

The applicant is the current water right owner of record. He said that he was the owner of both the current and proposed place of use. While some of the Clark County taxlot data is missing, the available data shows the applicant as the owner of most of the current and proposed place of use. Absent data to the contrary, it is presumed that he has authority to make the change.

Water Right Validity:

The right included in this transfer was decreed in the SRBA in 2002. Review of 2006, 2009, and 2011 aerial photography shows growing vegetation on the current place of use. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Other rights will not be injured by the proposed change. The place of use is simply being rearranged in close proximity to the current place of use. Neither the points of diversion nor the quantity authorized to be diverted will change as a result of the transfer. I talked with the assistant watermaster over the phone about the proposed transfer and he did not oppose its approval. Since it is clear that the proposed change will not adversely impact other water rights, this application will not require public notice.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed change will not result in enlargement because neither rate nor volume nor irrigated acreage will increase as a result of the transfer. The place of use for the transferred right is simply being rearranged. There are no overlapping water rights on the property.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Effect on Economy the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Effect on Agricultural Base of the Local Area:

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.