

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 14, 2015
To: Transfer 80151
From: Kerrie Mathews
Re: Transfer Evaluation

Transfer No. 80151 proposes to expand the place of use for storage water rights 29-123 and 29-125.

Authority to file:

All of the water rights are currently in the name of CV Ranches. The current and proposed place of use is in the name of CV Ranches or Rondo Perkins (a manager and member of CV Ranches). Mr. Perkins was present at the pre-hearing conference and consents to the proposed changes. The application was signed by Grant Simons a representative of CV Cattle, who has signature authority for the company.

Validity of the Water Right:

Water rights 29-123 and 29-125 were decreed on November 17, 2005. Aerial photography shows consistent irrigation. Forfeiture does not appear to be an issue. In June 2014, the Department approved Transfer 79272, changing the nature of use for water right 29-123 and 29-125 from irrigation to irrigation storage.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

No injury to other water rights was identified. The department published notice of the application. McCammon Ditch Company filed a protest. The Department conducted a pre-hearing conference and McCammon Ditch Company withdrew its protest, contingent on measuring devices being installed at the expanded place of use prior to the 2016 irrigation season. The water master for WD29 was notified of the transfer and was in attendance at the pre-hearing conference.

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.