

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 27, 2015
To: Transfer 79866
From: Cooper Fritz
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to add one new well to water right 22-7721. Because it is difficult to find reliable ground water in the area, the applicant identified two adjacent QQs to provide flexibility in developing the new well. The undeveloped point of diversion will be dropped from the water right prior to diversion from the new well.

Authority to File:

The applicant, Dirk Parkinson, has the authority to file. Rocky Gulch Farms is the owner of the water right according to Department records. According to the Idaho Secretary of State, the applicant is a Member of Rocky Gulch Farms, LLC. Fremont County taxlot data indicates that Dirk Parkinson owns the land at the proposed POD locations.

Water Right Validity:

The water right is valid. It was licensed in 2013.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

No injury to other water rights will result from this transfer. The transfer was advertised and protested by Fremont-Madison Irrigation District. FMID withdrew its protest on the condition that a flow meter be installed on the new well. No ESPA Transfer Analysis is required. The existing points of diversion and proposed point of diversion would be in adjacent model cells if the model grid were oriented slightly different.

Enlargement of Use:

No enlargement of use will result from this transfer. The transfer does not authorize increases in rate, volume, or irrigated acres.

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.