

MEMORANDUM

Date: June 23, 2015
To: Transfer 80098
From: Kerrie Mathews
Re: Transfer Evaluation

Transfer No. 80098 for water right 22-14026 proposes to split a 3 acre portion of the right and move this split portion to a new place of use with a new point of diversion. The new place of use is currently irrigated with two surface water rights 22-14122 & 22-14120. These water rights were added as associated water rights in order to update the conditions on all of the water rights at the new place of use.

Authority to file:

Water right 22-14026 is currently in the name of Gary and Shannon Summers. The current place of use is in the name of Gary and Shannon Summers and the proposed new place of use is in the name of Grouse Creek Reserve LLC. The application contained a draft sales agreement between the Summers and Grouse Creek Reserve LLC. In addition, the transfer application indicated that the ownership of the split portion would be updated upon approval of transfer 80098.

Validity of the Water Right:

Water right 22-14026 was decreed on November 24, 2008. Aerial photography does not show consistent irrigation. However, the water right is currently in the Water Supply Bank and forfeiture does not appear to be an issue. The Water Supply Bank was notified of the transfer on May 22, 2015 and has not provided comments. The transfer application indicated that the applicants would contact the Water Supply Bank directly to complete the necessary steps to remove the split portion from the bank.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

No injury to other water rights was identified. The water master for WD1 was not notified of the transfer since the split portion is ground water.

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.