

MEMORANDUM

TO: File 37-8850 and 37-8857

FROM: Daniel Nelson – Staff Hydrologist

DATE: April 19, 2015

SUBJECT: Correspondence review of Jim Speck's April 24, 2015 letter

The Department received a letter from Jim Speck, the attorney for Smokey Dome LLC regarding the notice of intent to void of water right 37-8850 and the reduced amendment for 37-8857 that was sent by the Department. The letter requested that permits be licensed based on the proofs of beneficial uses that were submitted of 0.16 cfs for 12 homes for 37-8850 and 0.20 cfs for 20 homes for 37-8857.

The Department staff considered this request and agreed to proceed with the licensing process using these diversion rates and the limitation of homes for each water right. The place of use for the homes was not identified. We will proceed with allowing 12 homes in within the description of the 39 lot subdivision for 37-8850 and 20 homes within the description of the 62 lot subdivision for 37-8857.

Even though the water rights have a condition limiting each home to 13,000 gpd, a volume will be needed. For permit 37-8850, the volume for the 12 homes would be 14.4 af (12 homes X 1.2 af per home). For permit 37857, the volume for the 20 homes would be 24 af (20 homes X 1.2 af per home). The 1.2 af per home limitation comes from administrative processing memo 22.