

Skaggs, Pam

From: Brian Higgs <brian@waterwellconsultants.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2015 9:03 AM
To: Skaggs, Pam
Subject: Re: Question about Permits 01-10566 & 45-14183/01-10572 for Southwest Irrigation District

Thank you for the response. Since SWID uses the rights all the time I assumed the beneficial proof had already been established. I'll get the forms filled out right away and sent in.

Thank you.

Brian

From: Skaggs, Pam
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2015 3:32 PM
To: brian@waterwellconsultants.com
Cc: wparsons@pmt.org
Subject: Question about Permits 01-10566 & 45-14183/01-10572 for Southwest Irrigation District

Brian,

I am responding to your questions about the requirements for filing Proof of Beneficial Use for Permits 01-10566 & 45-14183/01-10572. These are permits in the name of Southwest Irrigation District (SWID) and the notice was sent to their address with blank forms for each right. Mr. Parsons or another authorized agent of SWID will need to complete either the Statement of Completion form or Request for an Extension of Time and submit it prior to April 1, 2015 to avoid lapsing the permit and loss of priority.

Assuming that development has been completed to the permit holders satisfaction, the completion form needs to be submitted with all pertinent questions answered. Both of these permits have measuring device and lockable conditions to be addressed under #7. Other conditions of these permits require specific additional items to be submitted with the completion form.

When submitting proof of beneficial use for this right, the right holder shall also submit a set of detailed maps and/or electronic shape file showing the land actually irrigated with water diverted pursuant to this right in each irrigation season during the authorized development period.

Your email suggests that the currently described place of use is sufficient to meet this requirement. It is not. The more specific condition would not have been needed if that were the case. This condition of approval requires detailed maps or shape files documenting specific acres that were irrigated under these permits and sources of water for each irrigation season from 2010 through 2014. The permit holder will need to submit these to comply with the permit condition.

As Watermaster of Water District #140, you are responsible for administering the condition requiring water under these permits was used in lieu of ground water rights and no new acres were irrigated by these surface water diversions. This is a condition of both permits, but you aren't required to provide any comment at this time unless you want to submit something to the files.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

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Subject: water rights

Hi Darla,

Bill Parsons forwarded the letters you sent SWID (dated 1-30-2015) concerning right numbers 01-10566 and 45-14183. SWID uses these rights every year.

There is a condition, #12, that states SWID will submit a map of the land irrigated by these rights. However, the submitted POU on the right suffices this requirement. The water is pumped from the Snake River through a pipeline with other rights and leased water to irrigable lands.

Please give me more information on exactly what it is you need or if filling out the document will suffice.

Thank you.

Brian