

WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT

This Lease Contract ("Lease") is effective April 1, 2014 between the Idaho Water Resource Board ("Board"), and

Lessor: Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company
PO BOX 857
Aberdeen, ID, 83210-0857
(208) 397-4192

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WATER RESOURCES

RECITALS

1. The Board is authorized under chapter 17, title 42, Idaho Code to operate a water supply bank and to contract with lessors to act as an intermediary in facilitating the rental of water.
2. The Lessor has filed a completed application to lease water rights described below into the Water Supply Bank on forms supplied by the Idaho Department of Water Resources.
3. The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources has reviewed the application for compliance with the Water Supply Bank rules and has approved the Lease subject to conditions listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and contracts herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **WATER RIGHTS:** The Lessor shall lease and the Board shall accept into the Bank the Applicant's water rights described as follows:

Summary of Water Rights or Portions Leased to the Bank

<u>Water Right</u>	<u>Lease Rate</u>	<u>Lease Volume</u>	<u>Total Leased Acres</u>
35-2543	1.65 CFS	700 AF	175 AC
Lease Totals:	1.65 CFS	700 AF	175 AC

The water rights described herein shall be available for rental from the Bank as follows:
Authorized Period of Use under Lease: 04/01 to 10/31

2. **COMPENSATION:** The Lessor shall accept and the Board shall pay compensation determined by the amount of water rented under the following rental rate during such times as the water is rented from the Bank over the term of this Lease.

Minimum Payment Acceptable: Current Rental Rate

3. **TERM OF LEASE:** This Lease shall take effect when both parties have signed it and shall continue in effect until December 31, 2014.
4. **WATER SUPPLY BANK CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE:** The Lessor shall abide by all terms and conditions contained in the Water Supply Bank Conditions of Acceptance, attached hereto as "Attachment A" and incorporated herein by this reference.
5. **DUPLICATE ORIGINAL:** This Lease is executed in duplicate. Each of the documents with an original signature of each party shall be an original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract on the date following their respective signatures.

Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company

PO BOX 857

Aberdeen, ID, 83210-0857

By 

Printed Name Steven T. Howzer

Date 7/21/2014

Title General Manager

IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

322 East Front Street

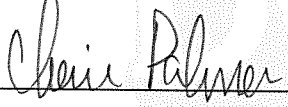
P.O. Box 83720

Boise, ID 83720-9098

By 

Brian Patton, Acting Administrator
Idaho Water Resource Board

Date July 24, 2014

Lease approved by IDWR 

Date July 24, 2014

ATTACHMENT A
WATER RIGHT NO. 35-2543
WATER SUPPLY BANK CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

The water right or portion thereof leased to the bank is described as follows:

Lessor: Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company
PO BOX 857
Aberdeen, ID, 83210-0857
(208) 397-4192

Priority Date: 08/07/1958

Source: GROUND WATER **Tributary to:**

<u>BENEFICIAL USE</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Diversion Rate</u>	<u>Volume</u>
IRRIGATION	04/01	to 10/31	1.65 CFS	700 AF
	Total:		1.65 CFS	700 AF

LOCATION OF POINT(S) OF DIVERSION:

GROUND WATER NE¼SW¼ Sec.11 Twp 05S Rge 31E Bingham County

PLACE OF USE TO BE IDLED UNDER THIS LEASE:

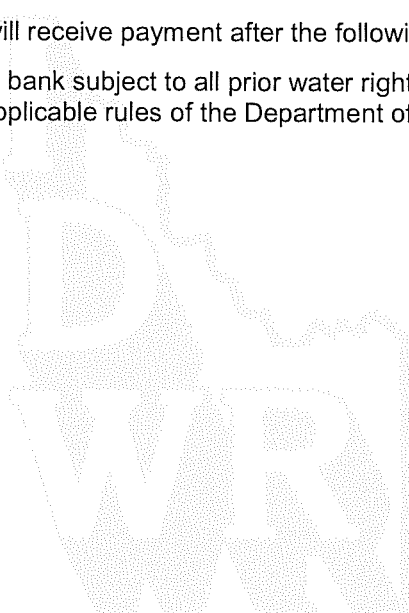
Aberdeen Springfield Canal Company Service Area (See condition #6)

Total Acres: 175

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

1. The water rights referenced above will be rented from the bank at the current rental rate.
2. There is no rental payment to the lessor of the water right if the right or a part thereof is not rented from the bank.
3. While a right is in the bank, the lessor may not use the right without approval of the Department even if the right is not rented from the bank. Any violation of the terms of this lease may result in enforcement procedures pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-351 for illegal diversion and use of water and may include civil penalties pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701B.
4. A right accepted into the bank stays in the bank until the Board releases it, the lease term expires, or upon request from the lessor to change the term of the lease, provided the Board approves the release. Unless approved by the Department, leased rights may not be immediately available for release.
5. While a water right is in the bank, forfeiture provisions are stayed.
6. Through execution of this lease, the remaining use of water right 35-2543 is reduced by 700 AF and 175 acres. The remaining portion of water right 35-2543 not leased to the Bank is limited to irrigation of 2372 acres within the boundary of Aberdeen Springfield Canal Company pursuant to Section 42-219, Idaho Code.
7. Use of rights 35-2543, 35-4246, 1-23B and 1-297 are limited when combined to one or more of the following in accordance with the conditions of approval on the water rights: 61,772.6 total acres authorized for irrigation.
8. Rental of water under this right is subject to the limitations and conditions of approval of the water right.

9. Failure of the right holder to comply with the conditions of acceptance is cause for the Director to rescind acceptance of the lease.
10. Acceptance of a right into the bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the right or any elements of the water right, or improve the status of the right including the notion of resumption of use. It does not preclude the opportunity for review of the validity of this water right in any other Department application process.
11. In accordance with Idaho Code §§ 42-248 and 42-1409(6), all owners of water rights are required to notify the Department of any changes in mailing address or change in ownership of all or part of a water right. Notice must be provided within 120 days of the change.
12. If a water right leased into the Water Supply Bank is sold or conveyed during the lease term, and if the leased right was rented, the rental proceeds will be disbursed in the following manner regardless of any arrangements between the buyer(s) and seller(s) to the contrary:
 - a. Rental payments will go to the lessor(s) of record at the beginning of the rental season.
 - b. If a change in ownership is processed by the Department during a rental season, rental payment will be made to the person or entity who is the lessor of record at the beginning of that rental season.
 - c. New lessor(s) of record will receive payment after the following rental season.
13. The water right(s) is leased to the bank subject to all prior water rights and shall be administered in accordance with Idaho law and applicable rules of the Department of Water Resources.



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APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK

1. CONTACT INFORMATION

- A. An application to sell or lease a water right to the Water Supply Bank must be completed by a Designated Applicant who is a recognized owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank. If there are additional owners recorded for the property to which the water right is appurtenant, those individuals must authorize the Designated Applicant to represent them on this application by completing and signing Attachment 1A of this application package.

Designated Applicant Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company Email Address steveh@ascanal.org
Mailing Address P.O. Box 857, Aberdeen, Idaho 83210-0857 Phone Number 208-397-4192

☒ The Designated Applicant is the sole owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank.

OR

☐ The Designated Applicant is representing additional water right holders who have completed Attachment 1A.

- B. Has the designated applicant completed an IRS Form W-9 (Attachment 1B)? Yes ☒ No ☐
- C. Are all applicants on this form listed in IDWR's records as the current owners of the water right? Yes ☒ No ☐
If no, attach a *Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership* form along with the required documentation and fee (Attachment 1C).
- D. Is the diversion works or system owned or managed by an irrigation district or water delivery company? Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, provide written consent from the company, corporation or irrigation district authorizing the proposed sale or lease (Attachment 1D).
- E. Is this application being completed by an authorized representative of the Designated Applicant? Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, representatives (includes employees of Designated Applicant companies) must complete this section and submit documentary proof of their authority to represent the Designated Applicant (Attachment 1E).

Name of Representative Steven T. Howser Organization Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company
Professional Title General Manager Email Address steveh@ascanal.org
Mailing Address P.O. Box 857, Aberdeen, Idaho 83210-0857 Phone Number 208-397-4192

☐ Send all correspondence for this application to the representative and not to the Designated Applicant.

OR

☐ Send original correspondence to the Designated Applicant and copies to the representative.

2. DESCRIPTION OF WATER RIGHT OFFERED TO THE BANK

Water Right Number 35-2543 ☐ The full water right is being offered to the Bank.

OR

☒ A part of the water right is being offered to the Bank.
(If a portion of a water right is being offered, complete Attachment 2)

3. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. Please provide a description of the current water diversion system.
Water is currently diverted via a ground water well

- B. Describe any other water rights used for the same purpose at the same place of use as the water right being offered to the Bank.
1-23B, 1-297, 35-4246

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25000 Rec 06/19/14
W9 Rec'd

C. Will the present place of use continue to receive water from any other source? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, describe. Water rights 1.23B, 1-297, 35-4246 and that portion of 35-2543 not being submitted to the Water Supply Bank

D. Has any portion of this water right undergone a period of five or more consecutive years of non-use? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe and attach Watermaster records or other evidence to demonstrate that the water right has not been lost through abandonment or forfeiture pursuant to Section 42-222(2), Idaho Code. _____

E. Is this water right involved in any other IDWR process such as an application for transfer or a mitigation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe. _____

4. SALE/LEASE AGREEMENT

A. Is the water right, or portion thereof, offered to the Idaho Water Resource Board (IWRB) for sale ☐ or lease ☒?

If lease, for a period from 04/01/2014 to 10/31/2014 (maximum lease period 5 years).
(Month / Day / Year) (Month / Day / Year)

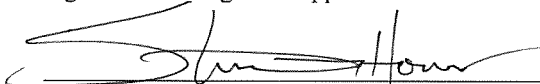
B. Show the minimum payment acceptable to the seller/lessor. The minimum payment may be shown as the "current rental rate" as established by the IWRB. Include the method of determining the minimum payment if other than the current rental rate.
current rental rate

I hereby assert that the information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge, and that I have the authorities necessary to offer this water right for sale or lease to the Idaho Water Resource Board.

The Designated Applicant acknowledges the following:

1. Payment to the Designated Applicant is contingent upon the sale or rental of the water right from the Bank.
2. While a water right is in the Bank, the seller/lessor of the water right may not use the water right even if the water right is not rented from the Bank.
3. A water right accepted into the Bank stays in the Bank until the Designated Applicant receives written confirmation from the Board or Water Supply Bank that the water right has been released from the Bank.
4. While a water right is in the Bank, forfeiture provisions are stayed.
5. Acceptance of a water right into the Bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the water right or any elements of the water right.

Signature of Designated Applicant



Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

Steven T. Howser

Printed Name

Date

6/18/2014

Date

Mail to:

Idaho Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098



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Director

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
Governor

July 25, 2014

ABERDEEN-SPRINGFIELD CANAL COMPANY
PO BOX 857
ABERDEEN ID 83210-0857

RE: WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT FOR RIGHT 35-2543

Dear Lessor:

Water Rights **35-2543** was leased into the Water Supply Bank on April 1, 2014 in accordance with the executed original Lease Contract enclosed. **Your water rights as described on the Lease Contract are considered leased into the Bank and should remain unused until they are formally released from the Bank.**

The rights will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2014**, unless the rights are released earlier by the Board, or upon your request. **Please note your rights may not be available for immediate release if they have been rented.** To release the right from the Bank prior to the release date, submit a written request on the *Request to Release a Water Right from the Bank* form. This form is available from our public website at www.idwr.idaho.gov.

Please review the conditions of acceptance listed on the Lease Contract, including #3 which says:

"While a right is in the bank, **the lessor may not use the right** without approval of the department even if the right is not rented from the bank. Any violation of the terms of this lease may result in enforcement procedures pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-351 for illegal diversion and use of water and may include civil penalties pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701B."

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 287-4918.

Sincerely,

Remington Buyer
Water Supply Bank Coordinator

Enclosure: Executed Lease Contract

c: James Cefalo- IDWR Eastern Regional Office



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July 16, 2014

Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company
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RE: APPLICATION(S) TO LEASE WATER RIGHT(S) 35-2543 TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK

****TIME SENSITIVE RESPONSE REQUIRED****

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Water Resources has completed its review of your application to lease the above-mentioned water right to the Water Supply Bank. **I have enclosed two original Water Supply Bank Lease Contracts for your review and signature. Please sign and return BOTH Lease Contracts within 14 days.** Upon signature and return of the contracts, the Department will also sign the original contracts and return an executed copy to you. The Lease Contract is not considered final until you and the Department have both signed.

Additionally, Aberdeen Springfield Canal Company is paying administrative fees associated with a companion rental of this water right for Mr. Jeff Duffin. A rental fee of \$1,190 has been calculated and paid based on the rental of 700 acre feet of water.

Water right 35-2543 will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2014**. Please review the conditions of acceptance listed on the Lease Contract, including #3 which says:

"While a right is in the bank, **the lessor may not use the right** without approval of the department even if the right is not rented from the bank. Any violation of the terms of this lease may result in enforcement procedures pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-351 for illegal diversion and use of water and may include civil penalties pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701B."

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Sincerely,

Remington Buyer
Water Supply Bank Coordinator

Enclosure: Proposed Lease Contracts

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right No(s). 35-2543
From: Remington Buyer
Date: 7/16/2014
Re: Review of Applications to Lease Water Rights to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On June 20, 2014 the Water Supply Bank received an application from Aberdeen Springfield Canal Company (ASCC) to lease into the Bank a portion of their water right 35-2543, to be subsequently rented out by Jeff Duffin.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: The lease application was signed and submitted by Steve Howser General Manager of ASCC.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: This water right is valid.

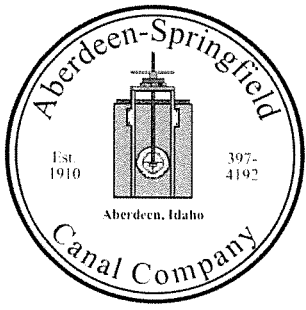
INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: No injury is apparent through leasing this water right to the Bank.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: ASCC's use of water right 35-2543 shall be reduced by an amount in volume and flow equal to that accepted into the Bank in order to avoid an enlargement of the use of water right 35-2543. The right as submitted to the Bank (700 AF, 175 AC and 3.5 CFS) is accepted as 700 AF on 175 AC at 1.65 CFS). The place of use identified for rental of this water right is within the permissible place of use of ASCC, thus no enlargement will occur through rental of this water right by Mr. Duffin.

LOCAL PUBLIC INTEREST: Review staff has no information to suggest this application is inconsistent with the local public interest.

BENEFICIAL USE/CONSERVATION OF WATER RESOURCES: The lease appears consistent with the conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS: These water rights are in Basin 35, Groundwater District Number 120. Watermaster James Cefalo has no concerns with this lease.



Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company

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June 18, 2014

Idaho Water Resources Board
Water Supply Bank Manager

Re: Water Supply Bank Lease Application

To Whom it may concern:

Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company is submitting the enclosed Application to Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank in order to provide a shareholder with an adequate water supply this irrigation season. Consequently, the Company is paying both the Application Filing Fee of \$250.00 and the Administrative Fee for rental in the amount of \$1,190.00 (700 acre feet X \$17.00/acre foot X 0.10).

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Steven T. Howser,
General Manager