

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 10, 2014
To: Transfer 79126 File
From: Jeff Cooper
Re: Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information Submitted

Application proposes to add a new point of diversion (POD), located approximately 4.0 mi. S & 1.9 mi. E of Kimberly, to groundwater irrigations rights 47-2257, 47-2468, 47-2548, and 47-2550. Rights 47-2257 & 47-2468 are currently authorized to irrigate 573 acre (3.28 cfs) within 626 acres on ground located approximately 1.5 – 2.5 mi. E & 4.0 – 5.5 mi S of Kimberly. Rights 47-2548 & 47-2550 are currently authorized to irrigate 250 acres (3.2 cfs) on ground located approximately 1.5 – 2.0 mi. E & 4.0 – 5.0 mi. S of Kimberly. Diversion at the farm is currently occurring from two wells, located the following distances from Kimberly: 5.1 mi. S & 2.5 mi. E and 5.4 mi. S & 2.5 mi. E. Application proposes to list both wells on all four aforementioned rights. The proposed changes will create a combined system which reflects the current operations at the farm. Application also proposes to create a 789-acre permissible place of use (PPU), by including adjacent acres owned by the applicant, for these four rights and also the Rock Creek rights associated with the ground. Rights will continue to be limited to 626 acres within the proposed PPU.

Changes occur within the regulated portion of Rock Creek WD (47O), so Watermaster comments will be solicited.

- **Authority to File:**
The applicants, Robert J. & Kathi L. Meyers, are listed as the current owners of water rights 47-129, 47-130, 47-131, 47-132, 47-2257, 47-2468, 47-2478, 47-2548, and 47-2550.
- **Water Right Validity:**
Right 47-129, 47-130, 47-131, 47-132, 47-2257, 47-2468, 47-2478, 47-2548, and 47-2550 were partially decreed in the SRBA on June 2, 2011, therefore forfeiture is not an issue.
- **Injury to Other Water Rights:**
None anticipated.
- **Enlargement of Use:**
None anticipated.
- **Local Public Interest:**
No negative impact anticipated.
- **Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:**
Decreed use is recognized as a beneficial use of water.

- **Effect on Economy of the Local Area:**
None anticipated.
- **Effect of the Agricultural Base of the Local Area:**
None anticipated.

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.

626 Acres to be Irrigated within PPU.
Compared with C. Giles 5/9/2014

