

MEMORANDUM

Date: May 12, 2014
To: Transfer 79232
From: Blake Jordan
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to change the place of use for water rights 73-2A and 73-190. This transfer also proposes to add a point of diversion for the stockwater portion of water right 73-2A. Roy Hoffman (applicant) seeks to rearrange the place of use to reflect the new installation of a more efficient irrigation system. A new pump will be installed on Sulphur Creek and will only be utilized for stockwater purposes. The additional point of diversion will be limited to stockwater uses and will not exceed a diversion rate of 0.14 cfs. The place of use for the stockwater portion of water right 73-2A will also change.

Authority to File:

The applicant is the current owner of water rights per IDWR record and Quit Claim deed. The applicant is the current owner at the proposed place of use and proposed stockwater point of diversion per warranty deed. The applicant obtained ownership to part of the proposed place of use through a land exchange with Big Creek Ranch LLC. Along with the land exchange Hoffman only deeded 80.0 acres of water right 73-190 to Big Creek Ranch LLC (ownership change Jan, 2014). The Remaining 71.0 acres of water right 73-190 and all of water right 73-2A was retained by Hoffman.

Water Right Validity:

Water rights were decreed in 2008. Aerial photography shows land consistently irrigated. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

These water rights are regulated by WD 73. The watermaster was notified of the application but did not provide comment. This transfer was advertised and there are no protests.

Enlargement of Use:

No issues identified.

Local Public interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Effect on Economy the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Effect on Agricultural Base of the Local Area:

No issues identified.

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.