

## Jordan, Blake

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**From:** Roxanne Brown [RBrown@spfwater.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 03, 2014 11:14 AM  
**To:** Jordan, Blake  
**Cc:** Case, Morgan; mepage@pacbell.net; pageshouse@msn.com; dboyd@TNC.ORG; mdavidson@tu.org; cswcd@custertel.net  
**Subject:** RE: Hoffman Water Right  
**Attachments:** MX-2300N\_20140403\_123133.pdf

Blake,

Please see the email below from Karma Bragg. As you know, water rights 73-2A and 73-190 were decreed with a permissible place of use. SPF subsequently filed a transfer on behalf of a former owner that changed the PPU and left the decreed overlap in place. Mr. Hoffman (the current owner) conveyed certain lands to Big Creek Ranch within the PPU, and conveyed (by deed) a portion of water right 73-190. We are aware it was not Mr. Hoffman's intention to convey any portion of water right 73-2A. A change in ownership has been completed for water right 73-190.

Mr. Hoffman has now filed an application for transfer of water right 73-2A, and his portion of water right 73-190. We are providing a quit claim deed to clarify that Big Creek Ranch did not acquire any portion of water right 73-2A. Please contact me if you have any further questions.

As always, thanks for your good work!

Roxanne

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**From:** [cswcd@custertel.net](mailto:cswcd@custertel.net)  
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**Subject:** Hoffman Water Right  
**Date:** Tue, 1 Apr 2014 10:52:53 -0600

All,

I talked to IDWR today about RJ Hoffman's transfer for Place of Use and he had a question about the 73-2A water right. The transfer completed by SPF for Maureen and Bob Whitworth before RJ purchase the property was done in such a way that the 73-2A could be obligated in part to some of the exchanged land now owned by Big Creek Ranches. He suggested a Quit Claim Deed from Big Creek Ranches on the 73-2A water right be signed and provided to IDWR to clear this up.

Tom and Michael, is it possible to get this from you in the near future? That would speed things up a bit. Also, I think we can get the abandonment after we get the transfer done. This is good news for all.

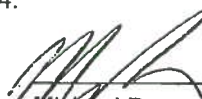
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QUIT CLAIM DEED

GRANTORS: **BIG CREEK RANCH LLC**  
GRANTOR'S ADDRESS: P.O. Box 5987, Ketchum, Idaho 83340-5987  
GRANTEE: **ROY M. HOFFMAN, JR.**  
GRANTEE'S ADDRESS: HC 62, Box 2290, May, Idaho 83253  
PROPERTY: Water Right No. 73-2A

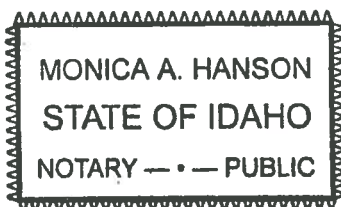
Grantors quitclaim to Grantee all of Grantors' right, title and interest in and to Water Right No. 73-2A, to have and hold it to Grantee, Grantee's heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns forever. Neither Grantors nor Grantors' heirs, administrators, successors or assigns shall have, claim, or demand any right or title to Water Right No. 73-2A or any part thereof.

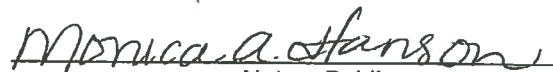
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantors have executed this Deed  
this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2014.

  
Michael Page, Managing Member  
Big Creek Ranch LLC

State of Idaho )  
County of Blaine ) SS.

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> of April, 2014.



  
Notary Public  
Residing at Hailey, ID  
My commission Expires 11/28/2018

IDWR Eastern Region Office  
ATTN: James Cefalo  
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Idaho Falls, ID 83402-1718

March 24, 2014

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Department of Water Resources  
Eastern Region

Dear Mr. Cefalo:

Please accept the enclosed application, attachments, and payment for the transfer of Water Rights 73-2A and 73-190 in the Pahsimeroi River Basin. This transfer is intended to change the place of use to align with a new irrigation system. The system was installed with the conservation purpose of improving the habitat of ESA-listed fish species. The transfer also adds a point of diversion for stockwater. To comply with the easement held by The Nature Conservancy on this property, please condition that new POD to reflect authorization for only stockwater.

The transfer moves only 38 acres total of the 256 acres allowed under these two water rights. The place of use is completely described in the application, but the \$580 fee was calculated based on the proportion of the new acreage to the entire POU ( $38/256 \text{ acres} = 15\%$ ;  $1.23 \text{ cfs} = 15\%$  of the 8.21 cfs total). Please see the enclosed map showing the newly transferred acreage.

Morgan Case, at the Northern Region Office, has a GIS shapefile of the proposed POU that she will email to the water agent assigned to process the transfer.

Sincerely,

  
Roy M Hoffman, Jr.

## Cefalo, James

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**From:** Roxanne Brown [RBrown@spfwater.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 26, 2014 4:18 PM  
**To:** Cefalo, James  
**Cc:** Case, Morgan  
**Subject:** Consent letter for transfer of water right 73-190  
**Attachments:** Hoffman Consent Ltr.pdf

James,

Attached is a letter offering consent to move a portion of a water right owned by R.J. Hoffman from land owned by Big Creek Ranch LLC. We understand Mr. Hoffman's transfer application was hand-delivered to your office today. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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**Roxanne Brown | Sr. Water Right Specialist**

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March 18, 2014

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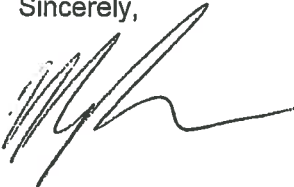
Subject: Application for Transfer – Water Right No. 73-190 (Hoffman)

Dear Mr. Cefalo:

Big Creek Ranch LLC has reviewed a draft *Application for Transfer of Water Right* to be submitted by Mr. Roy M. Hoffman, Jr. Mr. Hoffman seeks authorization to change the place of use for water right nos. 73-2A and 73-190.

We are aware that 7.7 acres currently shown as the place of use for water right 73-190 in the NWNE, Section 18, Township 14N, Range 22E are described on land owned by Big Creek Ranch LLC. The transfer application will move this 7.7-acre portion of water right 73-190 to a location owned by Mr. Hoffman. The application is appropriate and Big Creek Ranch LLC has no objection to the proposed transfer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Page', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Michael Page  
Managing Member, Big Creek Ranch LLC