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Idaho Department of Water Resources
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RE: Application for Permit No. 37-8916

Dear Mr. Merritt:

In the fall of 2000, Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) protested the Application for Permit No. 37-8916. On January 10, 2014 IDFG staff met with the Applicant's Representative, Chuck Brockway, regarding the application. It is our understanding that application has been amended. The current application is to expand the existing 0.48 acre pond by 0.09 acres with a resulting pond volume of 2.0 acre feet. Further, the point of diversion is located on a minor side channel of the Big Wood River, known as the Little Makawao channel. No control structures are or will be installed to deliver water – the diversion will continue to operate during high flows only. In nearly all years flows cease in June. The pond outflows directly to the river but only during periods when the pond is receiving water from the diversion. Based on our current understanding of the Application for Permit No. 37-8916, we formally withdraw our protest.

We appreciate the opportunity to update you on our position regarding the application. If you have any questions, please contact Mike McDonald, Environmental Staff Biologist, at this office.

Sincerely,

H. Jerome Hansen
Magic Valley Regional Supervisor

Cc: Chuck Brockway, Brockway Engineering
IDFG – Boise (Kiefer/Poole)
Ecc: R4 staff