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493 KATSURA AVE  
KUNA, ID 83643

RE: Additional Information Request for Permit 61-7681

Dear Mr. Farris & Mr. Elliott:

On October 2, 1996 a field exam for water right permit 61-7681 was performed on property located in Section 26, Township 5 South, Range 8 East. Licensing of this permit has been delayed due to numerous issues. We have started working on our backlog and have resumed the process to license this water right permit.

In order to license this water right, we will need the following issues clarified:

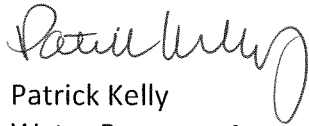
1. According to the water right permit and records from King Hill Irrigation District the property associated with this permit has King Hill Irrigation District shares associated with it. Please describe in detail when these shares were last used on the property, how the King Hill water was delivered to the property and the current status of the system. Please provide as much detail as possible and show on the attached map how the King Hill water was diverted to the property.
2. According to the application for permit a portion of the land irrigated under this right were located in the SW NE and NW SE of Section 26. Current tax records show that this land is owned by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Any water right that is on BLM property is typically licensed in their name. In order to avoid this split of the water right we do not plan to issue a license for the acres on BLM ground. From what we can see in current aerial photos there is very little land that crosses the boundary of your taxlot. Please review the attached map and inform us if you feel the map is in error.
3. In the field examination done in 1996, the two wells were not connected together and the irrigation was a separate system from the commercial use for the potato cellars covered under water right 61-7665. Therefore, we can only include the 8 inch irrigation well located at the southwest corner of the property. If this is incorrect please show us on the attached map where and how the two wells are connected together. Also, please let us know when the two wells were connected together.
4. The water right permit places the eight inch well in the NW SE of Section 26. Our new mapping capabilities show that the well is actually on your property in the SE NE of Section 26 instead of on BLM ground in the SW NE. Please verify the well location on the attached map.

If the information above proves different from the water right permit a water right amendment may be needed to clarify the water right for licensing. Once we receive the information, we will contact you about the amendment. A water right amendment has a \$100 fee associated with it. I wanted to let you know this up front so there was no surprise later in the process.

You can request that IDWR personnel go into the field to collect this information accompanied by a member of your staff/organization. For this to occur, please contact me with the name, telephone number, and email of your representative and the representative must be available to be contacted and for scheduling of the required visits within thirty (30) days. IDWR must also receive the contact information of your representative in a timely manner.

If I do not receive the requested information from you within thirty (30) days, I will take action to void your permit under the provision of Section 42-219(8) of the Idaho Code. If you agree that no beneficial use of water occurred under one or more of the permit listed, you can shorten the voiding process by completing the enclosed relinquishment form for each permit affected and returning it to IDWR.

Respectfully,



Patrick Kelly

Water Resource Agent

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Enclosure(s):

Map of property

Map of Property Showing Tax Lot Ownership

Relinquishment Form