

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 15, 2013
To: Transfer
78829
From: Kerrie Mathews
Re: Transfer Evaluation

Transfer No. 78829 for water right 22-13670, proposes to add a point of diversion. The applicants existing well is not producing an adequate flow of water to meet the diversion rate authorized under the water right. Applicant proposes drilling a new ground water well. If the new well produces an adequate water supply, the existing well in the SWNW quarter will be abandoned.

Authority to file:

Water right 22-13670 is currently in the name of Bevan Jeppesen. The current place of use is also in the name of Bevan Jeppesen.

Validity of the Water Right:

Water rights 22-13670 was licensed on January 21, 2008. Aerial photography shows consistent irrigation of 378 acres. Forfeiture does not appear to be an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

No injury to other water rights was identified. No ESPA analysis was conducted because the added POD is in the same model cell as the existing POD. The application was advertised, no protests were received. There is no active water district for groundwater in the area. However, the water right specifically places the water right within the jurisdiction of Water District 01. Watermaster for WD01 was contacted in person and does not oppose the transfer.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is not clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this transfer application.