

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 16, 2013

To: Transfer
78780

From: Kerrie Mathews

Re: Transfer Evaluation

Transfer No. 78780 for water rights 01-109G, 01-110E, 01-111E, 01-112E, 01-113C, 01-115S, 01-246, 01-317 and 01-10439 proposes to add two points of diversion to the rights. The new diversion points are existing pumps located on the Dry Bed of the Snake River. The transfer will allow company shareholders, Dabell and Zohner, to pump their canal shares directly from the river. In exchange, Dabell and Zohner will assign their Palisades water user shares to the head of the Long Island Canal. The transfer will allow Water District #1 to combine the pump diversions with the Canal diversions for accounting purposes.

In order to contain the filing fees associated with the transfer, Long Island Irrigation will limit the diversion rates for each pump. The Zohner pump will be limited to 0.34 cfs. The Dabell pump will be limited to 1.33 cfs.

Authority to file:

The water rights are currently in the name of Long Island Irrigation Company. The current place of use is within the established digital boundary of Long Island Irrigation Company.

Validity of the Water Right:

Partial decrees for all of the water rights were issued by the SRBA Court on November 7, 2007. Aerial photography shows consistent irrigation. Forfeiture does not appear to be an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

No injury to other water rights was identified. The application was advertised, no protests were received. The watermaster for WD #1 was notified of the transfer and did not provide written comments. However, Water District #1 verbally described how the water right accounting would be conducted after 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.