

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No(s). 37-21855, 37-21872, 37-21889, 37-21906, 37-21923
From: Jean Hersley
Date: April 15, 2013
Re: Review of Applications to Lease Water Rights to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: We received these applications on March 25, 2013. Water Rights were donated into the Wood River Basin Enhancement Water Supply Bank through the Legacy Project. Water right 37-21889 has been corrected to 0.05 cfs per email with water right holder. Under the ownership portion of the application, #2 was marked "no" which is incorrect. Wood River Valley Irrigation District #45 manages the system that delivers the water.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: The applications were signed by the right holders.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: The water rights were partial decreed in 2010. Forfeiture is not an issue

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: No injury is apparent.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: No enlargement is evident through the lease alone. Proper rental review should protect against enlargement.

LOCAL PUBLIC INTEREST:

Review staff has no information to suggest this application is inconsistent with the local public interest.

BENEFICIAL USE/CONSERVATION OF WATER RESOURCES:

The lease appears consistent with the conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS:

The water master did not respond to a request for comment, indicating no concerns. WD37
Wood River Valley Irrigation District #45 consented with the following condition:

A portion of this right provides conveyance for other right holders in the shared delivery of water through the Irrigation District #45 Canal. To prevent injury to other water right holders, the water master shall deliver 20% of authorized diversion rate of this right into the District 345 Canal whether it is rented or not.

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