

MEMORANDUM

Date: July 8, 2013
To: Transfer 78359 File
From: Corey Skinner
Re: Additional Rights Included in Transfer

Transfer # 74717 was originally filed in March of 2008. The applicant, Alonzo LeaVell had obtained permission from the Big Wood Canal Company to transfer some of his shares from property south of Gooding to property northwest of Gooding. The applicant wanted to pump these shares out of the Big Wood River adjacent to his property northwest of Gooding. Since the applicant's shares were originally diverted from the Little Wood River, the application was prepared to add additional points of diversion to the Big Wood Canal Company's Little Wood River irrigation rights (37-13043, 37-13112, 37-13113, 37-13114, 37-21401, 37-21402, 37-21403, 37-21404, and 37-21405). The rights involved with the transfer were objected to in the SRBA so processing of the transfer was delayed until SRBA issues could be resolved. The application was renumbered to 78359 due to the new IDWR Workflow Transfer transition in December of 2012. During this renumbering process, it was discovered that the rights involved with the transfer had recently been decreed in the SRBA (decreed in November of 2012). Processing of the transfer proceeded and the application was advertised and subsequently protested.

During review of the protests, it was discovered that the SRBA decrees, and resulting water right records, were not actually correctly reflected in the IDWR database. Further review and discussions revealed that the Big Wood Canal Company's Big Wood River rights (37-867, 37-870, 37-895, 37-13116, and 37-20733) are also conveyed through the Little Wood River. It also appeared that the various points of diversion on the Big Wood Canal Company's rights were not consistently decreed in the SRBA. After the protests were withdrawn, discussions were held with IDWR state office personnel in an effort to determine how processing of the transfer should proceed. Based on these discussions, it was decided to proceed with the processing of the transfer with the actual SRBA decree records and to include all the relevant rights (Little Wood River rights and Big Wood River rights) in the transfer. This would include all of the rights in the system described by the transfer and provide an opportunity to clean up the SRBA inconsistencies. This approach was also discussed with the Big Wood Canal Company manager and the Water District 37 and 37M watermaster. Processing of transfer # 78359 (renumbered from 74717) has since proceeded, but included all of the Big Wood Canal Company's irrigation rights (37-867, 37-870, 37-895, 37-13116, 37-20733, 37-13043, 37-13112, 37-13113, 37-13114, 37-21401, 37-21402, 37-21403, 37-21404, and 37-21405).