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RE: Persuasion concerning public interest, Sheep Creek, North Fork

From Highway 93 and Sheep Creek road upwards toward the top of the mountain where Sheep Creek originates, there are only approximately 20 homes. Only ^{Four} two are year round residents. Most of the cabins are used during hunting season in the Fall. I am fourth from the top which is 1/2 mile from Highway 93. Sheep Creek Rd is only a mile long and then you enter Forest Land.

Only 7 homes are actually on the creek. I am one of them. One other resident already has water rights and he inherited them from a former owner. I have asked many neighbors if they have feelings about me requesting these rights, and none have objected. The actual size of the land to be irrigated is about 40 ft on each side of house for fire suppression and three 4 x 6 garden beds that are above ground. This would only take place from June to Sept 15 thereabouts.

I feel it is such a limited public who could be concerned about this and none of which would be impacted, that my request should be granted.



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