

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 2, 2013

To: Transfer
78446

From: Blake Jordan

Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to add a point of diversion for water rights 31-7127, 31-7202B, 31-7423, 31-12189 and 31-12191. The current point of diversion that is utilized by the water rights listed above has become inefficient and is not keeping up with water demand. The applicant seeks to add a new point of diversion to these water rights. The new point of diversion will be limited to 2.0 cfs. The new well will be drilled in the SWNE of 09N, 36E, Sec. 21.

Currently water rights 31-7127, 31-7202B, 31-7423, 31-12189 and 31-12191 are diverted out of the same point of diversion but do not share the same place of use. Water rights 31-7127, 31-7202B, 31-7423 when combined authorize the irrigation of 477.0 acres within a 481.0 permissible place of use. Water rights 31-12189 and 31-12191 when combined authorize the irrigation of 19.0 acres. Although these water rights do not share the same place of use, they do share the same points of diversion and water delivery system. Because these water rights share the same points of diversion and water delivery system, one transfer application was filed instead of two transfer applications.

Currently water right 31-7423 carries a condition that limits water rights 31-7127, 31-7202B and 31-7423 to 6.90 cfs, 1669.5 acre-feet and 477.0 acres. The volume limitation is in error. The volumes under rights 31-7127, 31-7202B and 31-7423 only sum up to 1616.4 acre-feet. Since the combined volume authorized under rights 31-7127, 31-7202B and 31-7423 are additive, it is unnecessary to have a condition with a combined volume limitation. The combined volume limitation under rights 31-7127, 31-7202B and 31-7423 will be removed.

Authority to File:

The applicant is the current owner of water rights per IDWR record and owner of property per warranty deeds and Clark County taxlot data.

Water Right Validity:

Decreed and licensed water rights. 2009-2011 aerial photography shows land to be irrigated. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Inside the ESPA and regulated by WD 110. Points of diversion are within same model grid cells. No ESPA analysis is required. This transfer was advertised and there are no protests. Watermaster does not oppose transfer.

Enlargement of Use:

No issues identified.

Local Public interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Effect on Economy the Local Area:
No issues identified.

Effect on Agricultural Base of the Local Area:
No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.