

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No. 22-14027

From: Cherie Palmer

Date: February 25, 2013

Re: Review of Applications to Lease Water Rights to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: The applicant acquired this property in 1999 but only recently filed an ownership change. The parent right, 22-12527, was split and the piece belonging to the applicant is 22-14027 for 4.8 acres. The applicant wishes to place the right in the bank for a 5 year period and may drill a well for domestic purposes during that time. If a well is drilled, it will be under the 42-111 exemption.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: The application was signed by the right holder.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: On 11/24/2008 parent right 22-12527 was decreed in the SRBA. The appurtenant right may not have been used in previous years but is within 5 years of the decreed being issued so forfeiture does not apply.

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: Not within a water district.