

MEMORANDUM

To: File(s) 22-2260B and 22-7005B

From: Monica Van Bussum

Date: January 7, 2013

Re: Review of Application to Rent Water from the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On August 20, 2012, we received a number of lease and rental applications involved in a pending Notice of Violation (NOV) for Ralph and Ray Pocock. It's taken quite some time to get all the required documents from the applicant and go through the 2012 imagery to see what we could approve for the companion lease applications but we have now finished processing those lease applications and can now move forward with the rental. The original application showed an outline on some imagery. I digitized that using our ArcGIS software and that outline encompasses 144.8 acres. We were able to accept 52.9 acres of the companion lease applications, so this rental is authorized for 52.9 acres within the 144.8 for which they applied.

The original notice regarding the violation mentioned nearly 240 acres, so the rental application would not have satisfied the full NOV. This approval is retroactive for the 2012 season and I think it unlikely the Department would review another such set of applications for 2013.

The leased PODs are within the ESPA and the rental PODs are outside the model boundary, so no ESPA modeling is required.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: Ray Pocock signed the application.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: The water right lease review was done earlier this year and is available under those right numbers.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: No injury is apparent.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: No enlargement is evident.

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 rental appears consistent with conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS:

None.