

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No(s). 36-2258A
From: Monica Van Bussum
Date: December 10, 2012
Re: Review of Application to Lease a Water Right to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On November 1, 2012, we received an application to lease a portion of this right to the Water Supply Bank for five years.

I reviewed this application with Cindy Yenter of IDWR who is also the Watermaster for Water District 130. She and I agreed there are fewer acres to lease than offered. We reviewed the 2011 imagery and compared it to the authorized acres in each 40-acre tract. We then subtracted the authorized acres from the irrigated acres and found a 2.7-acre difference. We are accepting 2.7 acres of the POU into the Bank and suggesting Mickelsen file a transfer to more accurately describe his irrigated ground.

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

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: The entire POU was last fully irrigated in 2006 but 2012 is the sixth year and Mr. Mickelsen got his application in before the end of the 6th year.

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:

Watermaster comments attached. See above for discussion of review with watermaster.

State of Idaho
Department of Water Resources

RECOMMENDATION OF WATERMASTER

Application No: WSB Lease
Water Right No: 36-2258A
Applicant Name: Mickelson

Watermaster's Recommendation:

- a) ☐ I do not oppose approval of this application
b) ☒ I do not oppose approval of this application if it is conditioned as follows:

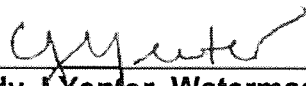
Limited to 2 ac NENW, 2 ac NWNW.

- c) ☐ I oppose approval of this application(s) for the following reasons:
d) ☒ Additional comment:

Installation of pivot reconfigured irrigation pattern on the south end of the system.
161 of the total 165 water right acres are still being irrigated.

Dated: December 3, 2012

Water District 130



Cindy J. Yenter, Watermaster