

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 21, 2012
To: Transfer 77844
From: bjordan
Re: Transfer Evaluation

This transfer proposes to add a point of diversion for water rights 22-13466, 22-13467, 22-13468, 22-13469, 22-13470, 22-13471 and 22-13472. The applicant is seeking to add a new well to an existing irrigation system described under water rights 22-13466, 22-13467, 22-13468, 22-13469, 22-13470, 22-13471 and 22-13472. The new well will be located in the SWSE of 06N, 41E, Section 12. The pumping capacity for the new well will be approximately 6.91 cfs. The application indicates that 7.0 cfs will be diverted from the new point of diversion. The filing fee was based on 7.0 cfs. The place of use for these water rights will remain the same for 2053.0 acres.

Authority to File:

The applicant is the current owner of water right per IDWR record. The applicant owns the property where the new point of diversion will be located per Madison taxlot data.

Validity:

Water rights were decreed in 2012. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Inside the ESPA but not within a water district that regulates groundwater diversions. The applicants ESPA analysis is based on the weighted centroid approach. This centroid approach resulted in the existing points of diversion being located in an adjacent model cell to the proposed new point of diversion. No ESPA analysis is required. However, the applicant submitted an ESPA analysis which determined that 4299.0 acre-feet could be transferred to the new point of diversion without requiring additional mitigation. Since the applicant proposes to only divert 7.0 cfs from the new point of diversion, the maximum volume that can be diverted from the well during the irrigation season is approximately 2971.0 acre feet. No additional mitigation is required. This transfer was advertised and there were no protests. No injury issues identified.

Enlargement of Use:

No enlargement issues identified.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is not clear inconsistency with the criteria set forth in Section 42-222, Idaho Code.