

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 2, 2011
To: Kerrie Mathews
From: Sandra Thiel
Subject: Application for Permit No. 23-11418

The Comprehensive State Water Plan (Plan) for the South Fork Snake River designates the downstream reach of Palisades Creek, from the junction with Forest Service trail 099 to the confluence with the South Fork Snake as a state protected Recreational river. According to Idaho Code 42-1734A the construction of water diversion works are prohibited on state designated Recreational river reaches unless specific exceptions are described in the Plan. The Plan makes no such exception for diversion works on Palisades Creek. The Plan was adopted in 1996 and at that time established the prohibition against water diversion works. If there is additional information that applies to this application for permit please let us know.