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Hi Lee,

Pardon the email, but I wanted to get this information to you as soon as possible. I was able to speak with the modeler who worked on your application and something else came up.

As you know, we have enough water in the Bank in your area to irrigate about 88.5 acres. However, where and how far we move the water impacts how much a person can irrigate because, if they move water a long way or in a certain direction, there are certain impacts that require someone to provide mitigation water to reduce those impacts.

You and I talked about this a number of times and your last proposal was that you irrigate 65 acres and rent enough mitigation water to account for that. I thought we could do that, but I failed to take into account one thing. The water you would get to irrigate comes from water right 22-7336. However, the water you would need to rent for mitigation comes from a different water right in a different area, 22-13994. Because the mitigation water comes from a different area, we have to look at whether the water from 22-13994 can actually mitigate for the water moving from 22-7336 and the answer is that it doesn't do that very well because 22-7336 and 22-13994 are located so far apart.

So I asked our modeler to see how much we could possibly get you for irrigation and that answer is 46 acres at a cost of \$3,404.80 annually. I can write an approval for this today and have it out to you ASAP but I didn't want to write it without telling you the situation. I sincerely feel for you with how much you've been through trying to get this rental through the process for this year.

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