

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No(s). 29-13892

From: Monica Van Bussum

Date: April 6, 2012

Re: Review of Application to Lease a Water Right to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On March 21, 2012, we received an application to lease 73 acres of 29-13892 to the Bank for 5 years. Upon review, we determined there was evidence about 50 acres of the offered amount had not been used in the last five years. Per email correspondence with T.J. Budge (attached), we are only accepting the amount for which we could confirm use, which was 23.3 acres.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: The applications were signed by T.J. Budge on behalf of his client.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: Again, we are only accepting the amount for which we could support use in the last five years (see attached email).

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 conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS:

None.