

MEMORANDUM

TO: Water Right Files 36-2083A, 36-2083B and 36-8593
FROM: Monica Van Bussum
DATE: March 20, 2012
SUBJECT: Blue Lakes Country Club Water Supply Bank Rental Application

SUMMARY

On March 2, 2012, the Department received a rental application from Blue Lakes Country Club to rent portions of water rights 36-2083A, 36-2083B and 36-8593. Blue Lakes CC has rented portions of these water rights in the same manner since 2003. The requested rental period is the 2012 irrigation season, March 15 to November 15. The rental application proposes to use portions of these three irrigation rights for aesthetic use (ponds known as Bass Lake and Little Bass Lake) from Alpheus Creek. This closely replicates previous lease/rental combinations we have had from Blue Lakes Country Club in recent years. For more information, see the memos for those previous leases and rentals.

AUTHORITY TO FILE

The signatory is Tom Magaw, President of Blue Lakes CC.

INJURY

There is no foreseen injury to other rights or right holders.

ENLARGEMENT

The inclusion of a total volume on the rental agreement provides protection from enlargement.

BENEFICIAL USE

The water will be used for aesthetic to provide supplemental flow to ponds known as Bass Lake and Little Bass Lake. Aesthetic uses have been recognized as beneficial uses by the State of Idaho.

LOCAL PUBLIC INTEREST

The proposed rental does not enlarge the right, does not injure other right holders and provides continued aesthetic use for Blue Lakes CC. It is in the public interest.

WATER DISTRICT

An email from the watermaster indicated no concerns.