

MEMORANDUM

To: File(s) 34-7052 AND 34-7110

From: Monica Van Bussum

Date: March 1, 2012

Re: Review of Applications to Rent Water Rights from the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On January 6, 2012, we received applications to lease and rent all of 34-7052 and 34-7110 for the 2012 season.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: Mr. Sorensen signed on his own behalf.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: These water rights are accepted into the Bank. See the lease review memo dated March 1, 2012, for more information regarding the validity.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: No injury is apparent. As part of the review process, Luke Marchant, attorney for Sorensen, completed an ESPA model run indicating no mitigation is required. Additionally, after a further request from the Department, Dave Shaw of ERO Resources submitted a Theis Analysis for drawdown in nearby wells during the pumping season. The Theis Analysis indicates minimal drawdown in nearby wells. See Dave Shaw's email of February 21 for the Theis Analysis.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: No enlargement is evident.

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 rental appears consistent with conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS:

The watermaster indicated no concerns in a phone conversation.