

MEMORANDUM

Date: January 19, 2012
To: Transfer 77629 File
From: Jana Reeder
Re: Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information Submitted

Transfer proposes changing the permissible place of use of three surface water rights (37-2218, 37-4297, and 37-13369) and two groundwater rights (37-7403 and 37-21336) on an existing farm. The application proposes to shift a number of acres from rocky and poor farm ground to newly purchased more productive ground that have no existing water rights. Five existing springs, three unnamed streams and an existing well will be used to divert 8.8 cfs to irrigate the new 361 acre permissible place of use. The farm is located approximately 6.6-7.5 miles east and 1.0-2.5 miles south of Fairfield.

The properties and surface water diversions are located within Water District 37 so water master comments will be requested. Recommended no advertisement.

- **Authority to File:**
The applicant's are listed as current owners of water rights 37-2218, 37-4297, 37-7403, 37-13369 and 37-21336. The application includes a warranty deed showing the applicant's ownership of the new land involved with the transfer.
- **Water Right Validity:**
All rights (37-2218, 37-4297, 37-7403, 37-13369 and 37-21336) were decreed on 9/24/2010 so forfeiture is not an issue.
- **Injury to Other Water Rights:**
None anticipated. Points of diversion are not changing.
- **Enlargement of Use:**
None anticipated if appropriate conditions and limits are implemented.
- **Local Public Interest:**
No negative impact anticipated. No advertisement recommended.
- **Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:**
Proposed use is recognized as a beneficial use of water.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.