



Idaho Department of Water Resources

MEMORANDUM

File: 13-7791 High Desert Enterprises
Date: December 28, 2011
Subject: Bear River Appropriations- Application Processing Memo #26

Permit application 13-7791 is for stockwater storage within the Bear River. Memo #26 prohibits any new appropriates of surface water for consumptive use. In the definition of consumptive use, the memo states that stockwater "may or may not be consumptive depending on the circumstances of the use".

Knowing that the Department views storage as consumptive due to the evaporation losses and the inconclusive definition in Memo #26, I decided to review backfiles of similar permits for guidance. On July 22, 1999, two permits were approved for 13-7572 and 13-7573, to High Desert Enterprises for stockwater storage in the same general area as 13-7791. Reviewing the backfiles for the two permits, no reference to Application Processing Memo #26 was found regarding the consumptive use for stockwater. Since these two permits were issued after the date Memo #26 was drafted, permit application 13-7791 will be handled similarly.

I contacted High Desert Enterprises to confirm that the 1000 head of cattle are the same herd that have access to all three PODs. If the herd is the same, the following condition will be added: "Rights 13-7564 through 13-7574 and 13-7791 when combined are limited to the quantity of water beneficially used by a total of 1,000 range cattle."

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Denise,

I'm sorry but, I do not have any record of the email that you forwarded on Dec. 8. I don't know why except, that it was deleted by mistake! Never-the-less, the 1,000 head of cattle that have been referenced in the application and your correspondence are the same. There is not a multiple of 1,000 head of cattle for the new application and the other Permits. I hope that this information is sufficient. Thank you for your persistence and I hope that you had a Merry Christmas.

Thank you,
Terry Andrade, Manager
High Desert Enterprises, LLC

From the desk of Denise Kidman