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Craig,

Attached is a 2009 aerial of the property which shows distinct irrigation of approximately the same areas found to be irrigated by the field examiner. These areas certainly do not look like infrequently irrigated native vegetation as they are clearly distinct from the surrounding native areas.

It has always been my understanding that IDWR does not license irrigation permits based on actual volume diverted either before or after the field exam; licensing is always based on acreage alone. For example, if a farmer with an irrigation permit has only grown peas, which have a very low water demand, IDWR will still license the right based on the acreage alone and will allow the standard per-acre volume for that zone. Next year, the farmer could begin growing alfalfa, and that would not be considered an enlargement. Assuming that is correct we are not sure why you need the power records. We do not have any meter readings, but will look for documentation of the date it was installed.

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