

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 25, 2011
To: Transfer 77543 File
From: Jeff Cooper
Re: Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information Submitted

Application proposes to change the point of diversion (POD) for 0.06 CF (1.9 acres) of irrigation and 0.02 CFS for stockwater allowed under right 72-7457, currently diverted from the Salmon River approximately 4.9 mi. south of Challis. The proposed POD is to be located approximately 100 feet upstream of the existing location. The proposed POD falls under the regulation of the Salmon River Water District (170), so watermaster comments will be solicited. Since the transfer occurs on the Salmon River, a courtesy letter will also be sent to the Idaho Fish and Game. Because of the nature of the changes proposed in this transfer application, it is recommended that this transfer be processed with a public notice and protest period.

- **Authority to File:**
Applicant provided a Warranty Deed conveying the property from the current listed owners on the right (David & Sandra Rosenkrance). Applicant has also provided a letter from Wells Fargo indicating they have no objections to the proposed changes.
- **Water Right Validity:**
Water right 72-7457 was licensed in 1997. A review of aerial and satellite imagery indicates that the acres allowed under the right have been recently irrigated. Based on this review, it appears that forfeiture is not an issue.
- **Injury to Other Water Rights:**
None anticipated.
- **Enlargement of Use:**
None anticipated.
- **Local Public Interest:**
No issues anticipated.
- **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.