

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No(s). 47-2316A, 47-2353/51-13075, 47-2374/51-13080, 47-2376/51-13081, 47-2377/51-13085, 47-2379/51-13083, 47-2419/51-13084, 47-4099, 47-7040/51-13085, 47-7252, 47-7615 AND 47-7618
From: Monica Van Bussum
Date: September 16, 2011
Re: Review of Applications to Lease Water Rights to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: We received this applications for lease on September 9, 2011. All but one of the lease applications was for the entirety of the right. The only one that applied to put part of the water right into the Bank was the application for 47-2374. I've done the approval a little differently than usual. Because of the sheer number of PODs, size of POU, and number of conditions, and because most of the leases are for the entirety of the right, I have not done individual lease descriptions for those rights. I did an individual lease description for 47-2374.

The diversion rate adds up to 66.68 cfs, but some of these are surface water rights, so presumably there is some extra water for conveyance loss. The larger group of rights, of which these leases are a subgroup, is limited to 77.08 cfs. However, there is a limiting condition to 0.02 cfs per acre at the field headgate. We'll put 66.68 cfs on the lease acceptance but we need to be aware the rental portion is really only 0.02 cfs per acre or 44.13 cfs total.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: The applications were signed by the Charles E. Brockway of Brockway Engineering who has power of attorney to sign on behalf of Visser Holsteins.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: The water rights were partially decreed in 2009.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: No injury is apparent.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: No enlargement is evident through the lease alone. Proper rental review should protect against enlargement.

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 leases appear to be consistent with conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS:

None.