

MEMORANDUM

To: File(s) 63-31915 and 63-32852

From: Monica Van Bussum

Date: September 13, 2011

Re: Review of Application to Rent a Water Right from the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: We received an application to rent water from the BLM on the Basin & Range property on August 31, 2011. The application seeks water for the 2011 year. Basin & Range is working with BLM on a permanent agreement to irrigate some of the BLM ground and this is one way they can bring the water use in compliance to satisfy the BLM. BLM is the actual renter since they own the ground but Basin & Range will pay the fee and irrigate.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: Fred Price, Water Rights Specialist for the BLM, signed the application.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: Both water rights were previously accepted into the Bank.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: No injury is evident.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: No enlargement is apparent.

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 rental appears to be consistent with conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS:

None.