

MEMORANDUM

Date: July 25, 2011
To: Transfer 77412
From: kmathews
Re: Evaluation Memo

This transfer proposes to add another stockwater trough place of use to water right 32-10229. The water right is on a spring that the US Forest Service uses for stockwater purposes. Originally the Forest Service submitted an application for permit to appropriate stockwater at the new place of use. It was determined that there would not be an increase in the number of cattle on the grazing allotment, and there was no need for additional water. The purpose of the transfer is to add a stockwater trough to spread the cattle out on the grazing allotment, thereby reducing damage to the spring area. The Forest Service has also submitted a withdrawal of the permit application.

Authority to File:

The applicant is the current owner of the water right per IDWR record. According to Lemhi County taxlot data (updated in June 28, 2010), the applicant is current owner of proposed place of use.

Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The transfer application has no apparent hydrologic impact and was not advertised. No injury issues identified.

Enlargement of Use:

No issues identified.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is not clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.