

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No(s). 36-2635, 36-7216 and 36-11328

From: Monica Van Bussum

Date: July 25, 2011

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

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On October 18, 2010, the Department received applications to lease portions of these water rights to the Water Supply Bank. The Department returned these in April 2011 seeking more information, and the applications were subsequently received with the required information.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: The applications were signed by Zach Latham of Brockway Engineering, who has power of attorney to sign on behalf of the right holders in this matter.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: These rights were partially decreed in 2001, but the transfer review memorandum for transfer 76796 indicates a review of 2009 imagery indicates the acres were irrigated.

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:

The watermaster responded by email and indicated no concerns.