

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No(s). 37-496D and 37-497A
From: Monica Van Bussum
Date: June 15, 2011
Re: Review of Application to Lease a Water Right to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On June 13, 2011, the Department received applications to lease all of 37-496D and 37-497A to the Water Supply Bank. These applications had been previously returned because of an overlap issue with 37-496C. On May 5, 2011, the Department filed an NCAP with the SRBA Court making 37-496C for mitigation, which removed the overlap issue here and allows us to proceed with the newly-refiled lease applications.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: The applications were signed by Fritz Schafer, President of Starweather Subdivision HOA.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: The water rights were partially decreed in the SRBA in December 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:

The watermaster