

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No(s). 37-7792

From: Monica Van Bussum

Date: June 13, 2011

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

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On May 16, 2011, the Department received an application to lease and rent the irrigation portion of this water right.

The lease applicant applied to put all of it in the Bank. The rental applicant applied to use all of it for irrigation. We are unable to rent the recreation diversion rate for irrigation, so the rental is limited to the irrigation diversion rate authorized under the water right.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: The lease application was signed by the right holder. The rental application was signed by the prospective renter.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: The partial decree was issued in the SRBA in November 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:

A phone message to the watermaster went unreturned, indicating no concerns.