

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No(s). 45-7733

From: Monica Van Bussum

Date: May 5, 2011

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

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On May 18, 2006, and again on April 11, 2011, we received application an application to lease all of 45-7733 to the Bank. This approval encompasses both applications.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: Dan Ward of Ward Land & Livestock signed the applications.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: The parent right, 36-7870, was partially decreed in the SRBA in 1997. The water right was subsequently split into 36-7870A and B. Water right 36-7870B was renumbered to 45-7733 by Transfer 4835. This water right was part of Transfer 69152 in 2001, and the transfer review did not find forfeiture under 45-7733.

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:

None.