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From: Nelson, Dan
Sent: Wednesday, February 23, 2011 2:45 PM
To: 'Lori Graves'
Cc: Van Bussum, Monica
Subject: BSU Water Bank Lease.

Hello Lori,

I am working on the Boise State University water bank lease application for water right 63-27214, which lists you as the applicant's representative. This application requests that we put a portion of lands within a permissible place of use into the water bank. Just like the water bank lease for SV Homeowner's Association (water rights 63-161BN and 63-2932), we can't go forward with a water bank lease, without knowing the exact acres that will continue to be irrigated and those acres that will no longer be irrigated. Unfortunately, we can't accomplish this task with a map that shows the borders of a permissible place of use. We need a map that shows the acres that will be irrigated, and the acres that will not be irrigated. We would appreciate that you send the shape files used to create these maps with the maps to be submitted.

Water Supply Bank Rule 25 (also known as IDAPA 37.02.03.025) requires the Department to evaluate whether the applicant is the current owner, title holder, or contract water user of the water right. Additionally, Water Supply Bank Rule 25 requires the Department to determine whether the lease will result in injury to existing water rights, will result in an enlargement in the existing water rights, and will be in local public interest. Without a map, we simply cannot determine if enlargement occurs or not.

I can give you 14 days to supply the maps and shape files, so please supply the maps by March 11, 2011 or we will need to return the application. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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