

MEMORANDUM

To: File(s) 51-7027

From: Monica Van Bussum

Date: March 25, 2011

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

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On March 23, 2011, the Department received an application to rent water to cover 8 acres in Owyhee County. Upon review, I noticed the applicant, Jerry Isaac, already had two water rights, 51-13071 and 51-13073, appurtenant to the proposed POU and for the same purposes. I called Mr. Isaac and he said those rights are for hot water and he is trying to use cold water to irrigate. Mr. Isaac had applied to transfer those rights to his current well and that was denied by IDWR. He is trying to rent cold water from the Bank for the 8 acres under those rights.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: 51-7027 was accepted into the Bank in 2010 for 5 years.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: None apparent.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: None evident.

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. The applicant/owner has been operating under an approved permit and a right licensed with the State of Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS:

None.