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From: Terry Scanlan [TScanlan@spfwater.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2010 12:32 PM
To: Weaver, Mathew; Roxanne Brown
Cc: Padilla, Cherie; Saxton, Craig
Subject: RE:
Attachments: Letter re water-bearing zone 63-31949.pdf

Mat –

Attached is a letter on behalf of the City of Nampa requesting a deeper water-bearing zone for permit 63-31949. A hard copy will follow by mail.

We will forward your findings on to the City to determine if they have any additional response.

Thank you for your patience regarding licensing of these permits. I realize it has been a long and drawn-out process.

Terry

From: Weaver, Mathew [mailto:Mathew.Weaver@idwr.idaho.gov]
Sent: Friday, November 05, 2010 2:24 PM
To: Roxanne Brown; Terry Scanlan
Cc: Padilla, Cherie; Saxton, Craig
Subject:

Terry & Roxanne,

In an effort to finalize the licensing of these two water right permits, I have concluded my technical review of your submitted field exams and supplemental material received by email on July 27, 2010 and by US mail on August 27, 2010. My technical review included analysis of the Pressure Irrigation System Master Plan dated October 2008 prepared by J-U-B Engineers for the City of Nampa. Unfortunately, for the reasons described in my previous email, I was unable to find evidence in the form of diversion records from the period of beneficial use, that confirm that an addition increment of beneficial use was in fact developed in association with both permits.

These findings could potentially be grounds for the voiding of the permits and the requirement that transfers be filed to include the new wells as points of diversion in the current City of Nampa service area. However, to avoid requiring the City to make additional applications, spending additional money, and waiting an additional amount of time for final resolution, I propose licensing both permits with conditional limitations as described on the draft licenses attached to this email for your review.

Regarding WR permit 63-31949, one outstanding item remains. As acknowledged in your field exam the developed well at Vista Ridge has a screening interval outside the water bearing zone as conditioned on the permit. I will need you to present an official request to the Department on the behalf of you client to change the water bearing zone. Please include a brief summary of why the change is not a concern for injury to nearby resources and wells. Your request and summary can be as informal as an email.

With the completion of my technical review I will be handing off both permits to Cherie Padilla for finalization in the licensing process. Please include her in future correspondence.

As always, if you have any questions please contact me.

Mat Weaver, PE

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