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February 25, 2010

Lyle Swank
Idaho Department of Water Resources
900 N. Skyline Dr. Suite A
Idaho Falls, ID 83402-1718

Re: Water Right Application No. 75-14636 (Hoy)

Dear Lyle,

Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) staff has reviewed the application from Joseph and Shirley Hoy for 0.09 cfs of groundwater to be pumped from an existing domestic well on their property near Gibbonsville, Idaho to irrigate 4.6 acres. However, it appears that water right 75-2091D of 0.05cfs is appurtenant to 2.5 acres of the 4.6 acres mentioned above. Therefore, 2.1 acres would be irrigated with water from this application. Considering the reduced acreage to be irrigated, the proposed rate exceeds the guideline of 0.02 cfs per acre from the IDWR Water Law Handbook, Appendix 4. We recommend reducing the request of 0.09 cfs to the guideline amount of 0.04 cfs. This reduced water withdrawal should not negatively impact fish or aquatic resources and we do not have specific concerns.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this application and provide comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James R. Lukens".

James R. Lukens
Regional Supervisor

cc: Walt Poole
Matt Sheppard
Joseph and Shirley Hoy