

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right File No(s). 36-8624 and 36-16553

From: Monica Van Bussum

Date: February 9, 2011

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

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: On October 18, 2010, the Department received applications to lease all of 36-8624 and half of 36-16553 to the Water Supply Bank. We had previously received an application for 36-8624 in 2008 but that application was denied because it did not include an application for 36-16553, which is a stacked right with 36-8624.

Some discrepancies were discovered with the approval of Transfer 73721 and an amended transfer was issued on December 30, 2010. A preliminary order correcting the transfer approval was sent on January 3, 2011.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: Zach Latham of Brockway Engineering, who has power of attorney, signed the application.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: Transfer 73721 was approved on July 28, 2008, and all of the POU for 36-8624 and 36-16553 (which was split from 36-8415) were moved in the transfer. Because of the review required for this kind of transfer, these would have been verified at that time.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: No injury is apparent.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: No enlargement is evident and 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. 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.