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Sent: Friday, October 29, 2010 10:25 AM
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Subject: Water Right Research - Change of Ownership

Mick,

Good morning! I was able to research the water rights appurtenant to your property outside of Weiser based on the warranty deed legal description you left with me yesterday when you visited my office.

The following is a list of active water right records appurtenant to your property for which you should file a Notice in Change of Water Right Ownership with the Department:

WR # 67-10365 = 1900 priority 0.04 cfs Stockwater right from a spring in the NE SE NW of Sect 24 T11N R5W ("Johnson Spring" per your notes aka "Big Tree Spring" per WR record)

WR # 67-10366 = 1900 priority 0.04 cfs Stockwater right from a spring in the NW NW NE of Sect 14 T11N R5W ("Gentry Spring" per your notes and WR record)

WR # 67-10367 = 1900 priority 0.04 cfs Stockwater right from a spring in the SE SW SE of Sect 2 T11N R5W ("North End Spring" per your notes aka "Big North Spring" per WR record)

WR # 67-10425 = 1900 priority 0.04 cfs Stockwater right from a spring in the NE SW SW of Sect 18 T11N R4W ("House Spring" per your notes aka "Big Spring" per WR record)

As you are aware, 67-10366 is currently in the name of Lorraine Carr based on the Department's processing of an ownership change filed by Mrs. Carr in 2005. Based on my research, it appears approval of this change of ownership was in error. I can understand why it was approved, based on the Department's policy and the information submitted by Mrs. Carr, but after I dug deeper into the historic record of the right and use on file it's clearly a mistake. Once you file your change of ownership with your property deed for this water right, we will correct this mistake and Mrs. Carr will be notified of the change and given the opportunity to dispute it if she so chooses. I will write a memo summarizing my research along with your description of the diversion works at Gentry spring (trough next to spring that overflows and water runs down ditch to Carr property) to put in the file as explanation for why the change of ownership filed by Mrs. Carr is being rescinded. Please feel free to give me a call if you want any more details on why the ownership change was approved and the process of rescinding it.

I also found several WR records that are no longer valid rights appurtenant to your property. They are still in our database pending the final decree of the SRBA (Snake River Basin Adjudication) court. It appears these rights were all "replaced" with the rights listed above. I just wanted to give you this list of numbers so if you come across them in any more searches on our website you'll know they aren't ones I missed =) The WR #s are; 67-707, 67-708, 67-2064, and 67-4267. If you would like further explanation about why these rights are no longer valid, but appear as active records when you do a search by all means call me and ask. I'd be more than happy to explain if you're really that interested and have some time to kill =)

Also... I just wanted to let you know that I found 2 other water rights where the diversion/source for the right is on your property, but the use is on the property of another. These rights belong to the other individuals, because they own the property where the use of water is occurring, so you do not need to file a change of ownership for these rights. I just wanted to let you know about them in case you were interested. The rights are:

WR # 67-11687 (Carr) = 1880 priority 0.15 cfs Stockwater and 0.02 cfs Domestic right from 4 springs one of which is the Gentry Spring. The other 3 springs are on property owned by Loraine Carr.

WR # 67-13436 (Farnam) = 1940 priority 0.03 cfs Stockwater 0.10 Irrigation 0.02 cfs Wildlife right from the House aka Big Spring.

I hope this information helps you in filing your change of ownership for your water rights. Please submit it to my attention that way I can make sure the memo about 67-10366 I write gets put with the paperwork to limit confusion. Feel free to give me a call if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Angie

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P.S. I noticed on your business card that the company you work for is out of Fairbanks. I was born in Fairbanks. Just have to tell people that when I run across those who've been there. Great big small world we live in. =)