

TO: ALLEN MERRITT DATE: 6-7-2002

FROM: JIM STANTON

Last month I got a call complaining about a new pond under construction just north of the pond that was permitted for Bob Bloomfield last fall. Lot 13 has been replatted into 3 lots, and the new pond & home are just north of the Bloomfield property. The ditch feeding the Bloomfield pond also feeds the new pond. Both ponds are about the same size, although the new pond is deeper than the permitted pond. I visited this pond, talking to the construction workers and then later to the owner of the property. The property is owned by John Tanner, c/o First American Title Co., PO Box 756, Ketchum, ID, 83340. From what I could observe, it appeared that the pond & lawn together would probably not cover more than 1/2 acre.

Last week I got a call from the same concerned citizen, stating that surface water was going into the new pond. I visited the pond again on Tuesday, and observed that Bloomfield ditch was indeed feeding the new pond. Outflow continued on to the legal pond.

The owner of this pond lied to me, and he is well aware that a water right is needed before water can be used in his pond. I RECOMMEND THAT WE ISSUE A CEASE-&-DESIST ORDER AGAINST TANNER IMMEDIATELY, AS HE IS KNOWINGLY BREAKING THE LAW!
~~Photos of the violation are attached.~~



Tanner Pond Under Construction (Bloomfield Home In Background)
By J E Stanton May 2002



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Bloomfield Ditch Flowing Into Tanner Pond
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Closeup of Inlet to Tanner Pond
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Water From Bloomfield Ditch Entering Tanner Pond
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Outlet of Tanner Pond
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