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Re: Protested App for Permit No. 37-22459 and Transfer Nos. 75849, 75850, 75851, 75852 & 75853 (Sun Valley Ranch) and Transfer Nos. 75838, 75839, 75840, 75854, 75855, & 75856 (Spring Creek Idaho Ranch)

Gentlemen:

It appears that attempts to resolve the concerns of the Protestants regarding the above referenced applications have been without success. Therefore, this office is tentatively scheduling the matter of protests for a Pre-Hearing Conference for **late August, September or October**. Please notify this office within 10 days regarding the dates you are available during that time frame. Notices formally setting the conference time and place will be mailed at a later date.

Please note that the application is considered a contested case and subject to the Rules of Procedure adopted by the Department. Rules 302 & 417 require that any written communication between parties be sent to **all parties in the case**.

If you need a copy of these rules, please contact this office. The Rules of Procedure are also available on the Internet by using the IDWR Homepage at the following electronic address:

<http://adm.idaho.gov/adminrules/rules/idapa37/0101.pdf>

The attachment to this letter describes the issues which the Department must consider in taking action on an application. It also gives a brief description of the conference and hearing procedure followed by the Department in resolving protested applications.

If you have any questions or if this office can be of further assistance, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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