

MEMORANDUM

To: File(s) 57-2212, 57-7052, 57-7083, 57-7128, and 57-7157

From: Cynthia Bridge Clark

Date: January 31, 2006

Re: Review/Analysis for Application to a Lease Water Right to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE:

The applications propose to lease all of the above referenced water right(s) to the water supply bank for and indefinite lease term at the current rental rate.

AUTHORITY TO FILE:

Joe Stafford, a registered agent for REM Farms, signed the applications. The water rights are currently in the name of the applicant.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY:

All of the referenced rights were decreed in the Snake River Basin Adjudication on December 6, 2001. Satellite imagery indicates portions of the lands appurtenant to the rights were irrigated in the last several years.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS:

Staff is unaware of any possible injury by the proposed leases.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE:

The proposed leases do not appear to constitute an enlargement of use. Combined limits on all of the rights should be considered when reviewing rental of the rights.

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.

RENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Combined limits on the rights should be considered when reviewing rental of the rights.

NARRATIVE:

None.