

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 02, 2010
To: Water Right File 36-16829
From: jstanton
Re: Comment/Analysis

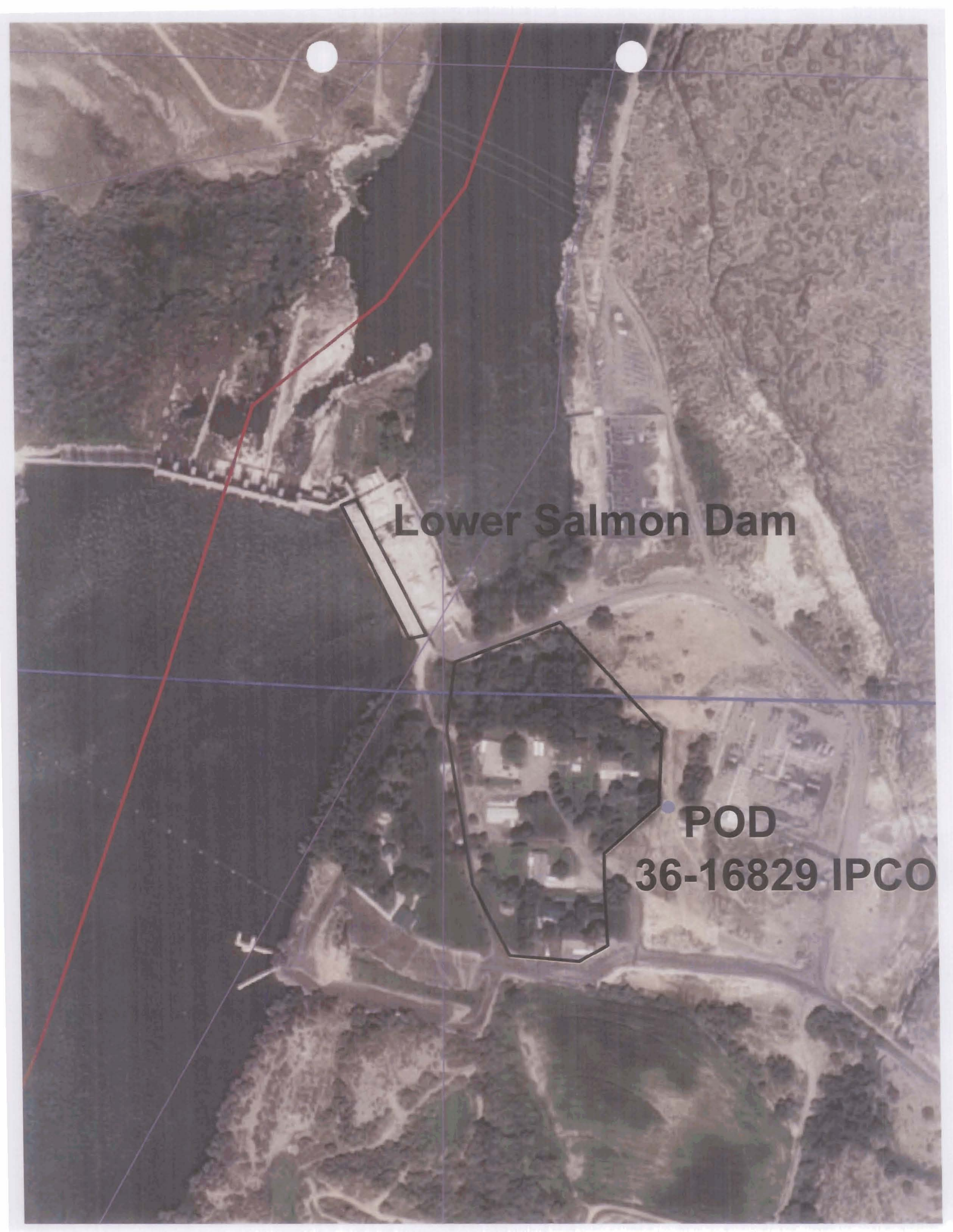
This application covers an existing well that provides culinary water for employee housing (6 homes), a restroom in a park, and a restroom in Lower Salmon Dam. The well was developed under a previous permit that lapsed for failure to file timely proof; IPCO chose to file a new application instead of trying to get the old permit reinstated. Outside irrigation is done with surface water under other rights, so the groundwater usage should not exceed 13,000 gpd; the permit should be conditioned accordingly. The use appears to be exempt from the filing requirements under 42-111(a), but there is certainly nothing wrong with IPCO obtaining a water right for it. The application should be processible under the 1992 moratorium.

I spoke with David Blew of IPCO (388-5292) to verify the pod and pou. While the application includes the NW/NW Sec. 11, there appears to be no use in this tract (which is actually a part of Lot 2); I have therefore left it out of data entry. He was not sure, but there could be some use in the SE/SW Sec. 2; I therefore left this tract in, as the license examiner can verify this later. The use in the dam does not appear to be in any government lot, so is just described as being in the SW/SW Sec. 2.

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This application covers the existing well that provides culinary water for the Idaho Power Co. complex at Lower Salmon Dam. The well is located just east of the employee-housing area about 1 1/2 miles NW of Hagerman.



An aerial photograph showing a large body of water on the left, a dam structure in the center, and a residential area on the right. A red line runs diagonally across the image. A black outline highlights a specific area near the dam. A blue dot is located near the residential area. The text 'Lower Salmon Dam' is overlaid on the dam structure. The text 'POD' and '36-16829 IPCO' are overlaid near the blue dot. Two white circular marks are visible at the top of the image.

Lower Salmon Dam

POD

36-16829 IPCO

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