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February 3, 2010

LYMAN G WINCHESTER
1003 SUCCOR CREEK RD
HOMEDALE ID 83628

Re: Application for Transfer No. 75115, Water Right No. 57-4006

Dear Mr. Winchester:

Thanks to your continued efforts, your application was reinstated, legal notices have been published, protests were not filed, and the application is almost ready to be approved. One final detail should be addressed before the application can be approved.

Historical use under this right included a long delivery ditch presumably resulting in significant conveyance loss. You propose to pump water from the creek much closer to the land to be irrigated. Conveyance loss for a pump system is presumed to be minimal. Therefore, the irrigation duty of water defined in I. C. § § 42-202 and 42-220 should be limited to 0.02 cfs per acre for a total of 1.54 cfs (0.02 cfs/acre x 77 acres). The transfer should not be approved for more than 1.54 cfs unless you can demonstrate that 2.00 cfs is needed. For example, perhaps you plan to pump from the creek and deliver water into an earth ditch system in which conveyance losses would occur.

* The department will assume 1.54 cfs is an adequate rate of flow unless information to the contrary is received by February 19, 2010.

Please contact me at 208-334-2190 if you have any questions. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve Lester".

Steve Lester
Water Rights Supervisor

* NO Reply, 1.54 cfs
is Acceptable
-JL 3/2/10