

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 23, 2009
To: Application for Permit 71-10929 File
From: Corey Skinner
Re: Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information Submitted

Application seeks to divert 0.50 cfs of water from Lost Creek for 4.2 acre-feet of wildlife storage associated with two existing ponds located on property approximately 17 miles south and 6.5 miles east of Stanley. Right 71-7178 allows for on-stream storage of water on the old Lost Creek channel and right 71-7179 allows for the diversion of groundwater into the same two ponds described by Application for Permit 71-10929, which proposes to divert water from the current Lost Creek channel into the two ponds.

- **Effect on Other Water Rights:**
None anticipated. Lost Creek sinks and never reaches the Salmon River. The only other rights, other than those owned by the applicants, listing Lost Creek as a source are diverted further upstream.
- **Sufficiency of Water Supply:**
The source appears adequate for the proposed use.
- **Application Made in Good Faith:**
Applicant has contacted the agencies as requested and has responded to Water Appropriation Rules 40.05.c through 40.05.g.
- **Financial Resources:**
Apparently the system is already in place, and any additional investment should be minimal.
- **Local Public Interest:**
The applicants have solicited comments from interested agencies, and comments have been received from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and Idaho Department of Fish and Game representatives, with no negative comments or concerns raised.
- **Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:**
Proposed use is a beneficial use of water.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-203A Idaho Code or the Water Appropriation Rules (IDAPA 37.03.08) preventing processing of this application.