

MEMO

TO FILE: 75-7567 Halpern

FROM: Sandy Hemenway

On 9/16/2009, I spoke with Bob Foster/IDWR Salmon Office, and obtained additional information about the system and the area not having a water district or water master. Bob recommended waiving the measuring device condition based on the permit holder being the only user on South Gulch Creek, and the flow being inadequate to irrigate the entire irrigation season. Bob suggested waiving or at least setting aside the condition until there was a water district formed for the area.

I contacted Martin Halpern at (214) 957-6189, and informed him of the information obtained from Bob Foster's field inspection, and what Bob was suggesting. Martin stated that since he lives full time in Texas that he had not installed a measuring device, but requested that it be waived. Martin stated that he had no problem installing a measuring device later, since his intentions are to move on to the property permanently. He has already had a log cabin built in Salmon, which will be unassembled and then reassembled on the property. His intentions are to also drill 2 wells (one for domestic, and one for irrigation).

Date: September 16, 2009

To: Sandy Hemenway

From: Bob Foster

Re: 75-7067

In regards to installation of a measuring device on South Gulch Creek for permit 75-7067 owned by Martin Halpern. South Gulch Creek is not in a water district and has no water master control at this time. The flows in South Gulch Creek are probably not adequate to sustain irrigation of the Halpern property through the irrigation season. I would suspect this small tributary to Hat Creek normally is dry or nearly dry by early to mid August.

Based on these circumstances and with the permit holder being the only user on South Gulch Creek, the measuring device requirement may be able to be waived or at least set aside until there is a water district formed and there is some sort of water master control.