

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 13, 2009
To: Transfer 75454 File
From: Jeanie Robertson
Re: Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information Submitted

This transfer proposes to change the point of diversion on four water rights currently diverting a total of 0.40 cfs from the Big Wood River for the irrigation of a combined total of 20 acres. It also changes the point of diversion on 37-8896, which uses the same 0.40 cfs and 240 af in an aesthetic pond and has some combined limits with the irrigation rights. The current diversion is the Wrencher 39 Headgate and the proposed diversion will be an existing pumping station approximately 1,400 feet downstream, both in what is locally known as the Broadford Slough. Location of the point of diversion is approximately 3 miles west of Bellevue and 250 feet south of Broadford Road. There are also two Associated Rights, 37-8058 and 37-8143, which overlap the 20-acre place of use and were brought in to have their Conditions updated.

- **Authority to File:**

The water rights are in the name of Idaho Ranch, LLC. The application was filed by Jim Speck as attorney/representative for the Idaho Ranch LLC. A Special Power of Attorney was enclosed which granted Mr. Speck the authority to file the transfer. It was signed by Edward J. Lobel as Managing Member of the Idaho Ranch, LLC. Mr. Lobel is listed as Manager of the Idaho Ranch, LLC on the Idaho Secretary of State page. Application indicated there was no lien holder on the property.

- **Water Right Validity:**

Rights 37-21733, 37-21734, 37-21735, and 37-21736 have been recommended in the SRBA but have not yet been decreed. There were no Objections on file. Right 37-8896 was licensed in 2003 and not a part of the SRBA.

- **Injury to Other Water Rights:**

None anticipated but Water master comments will be sought to make sure.

- **Enlargement of Use:**

None anticipated with the proposed conditions of approval. The proposed point of diversion is within Water District 37 so water master comments will be sought.

- **Local Public Interest:**

No negative impacts anticipated.

- **Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:**

Proposed irrigation use is recognized as a beneficial use of water.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.

TOWN
RIBE

injection
br 37-896

Brantford
Road

Bellevue

old pad
(wrencher
#39)

new pad

pad

