

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 18, 2009
To: Transfer 75415
From: bjordan
Re: Transfer Evaluation

This transfer proposes to add a point of diversion and change the place of use to water rights 31-7558 and 31-7563. Applicant proposes add a point of diversion to an interconnected irrigation system that will connect four center pivots and three wells together via mainline. Applicant also proposes to rearrange acres under rights 31-7558 (272 acres) and 31-7563 (270 acres) into one permissible place of use with the total combined acres of 542.0. Transfer totals are: 6.65 cfs, 542 acres, 1626 af. Applicant will be using two existing wells (06N 34E 19 SESENW and SENWSE) and a new well located in the NWSENW of 06N 34E 19, which was drilled in the spring of 2008 (see file). The addition of a new well will allow the applicant to meet the licensed diversion rate for the above water rights. Applicant was issued a well drilling permit for a replacement well which would replace the well in the SESENW of 06N 34E 19. Instead, the applicant drilled a new well located in the NWSENW of 06N 34E 19. Applicant violated drilling permit rules and was told not to use the new well until a transfer could be filed.

Authority to File:

Applicant is the current owner of water rights per IDWR Record and tax lot data. Velma Calloway (owner) signed the application.

Water Right Validity:

Water rights under this transfer have been decreed in 2002. 2004 Aerial Photography shows land to be irrigated. Forfeiture is not an issue. Nature of use is irrigation

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Inside the ESPA and in Water district 110. The three wells are within adjacent cells. No ground water analysis needed. Watermaster does not oppose approval of this transfer application if it is conditioned to have a lockable diversion, a data logger/ Mag-meter for each diversion or measuring devise. Watermaster requests a measuring devise be put on each of the diversions.

Advertise to determine protest.

Enlargement of Use:

There is no evidence of enlargement of use.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issue identified.

Review of the application finds there is not clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.