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Idaho Department of Water Resources
Eastern Regional Office
900 North Skyline Drive, Suite A
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Re: Water Transfer Application for Water Right #24-10700

We have attached the completed application for transferring a portion of water right #24-10700 from irrigation use to pond supply.

The services of Michael Holladay in Boise were recommended due to his career long experience with Idaho water rights. We have used him to perform the calculations necessary and review this application for completeness and accuracy.

Earlier this year, the ranch completed the adjudication process and received a partial decree for 0.55 cfs to be used for irrigation purposes. The focus of this transfer application is to transfer a portion of that right into pond supply for a fire pond and a fish pond.

The reason for the creation of the ponds is that the ranch has been sold and subdivided into home sites.

Of the original 0.55 cfs, only 0.28 cfs will remain in irrigation usage.

The remaining 0.27 cfs will be used to fill the fire pond and fish pond. The water within the fish pond will be replaced every 10 days based on 0.25cfs flow with 0.01 cfs calculated for evaporation loss. The fire pond will also use 0.01 cfs for evaporation loss to maintain capacity. The entire 0.27 cfs will be used to fill the pond in the future, when the fire pond is used to fight a fire. The piping and diversions will be completed to allow the allotted flows.

The diversion boxes from Schiess Creek (also known as Grouse Creek) will be designed to be fish friendly and both the inlet and discharge of both ponds will be screened to prevent anything from the ponds to mingle with the Yellowstone Cutthroat found in the Creek.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you



Mark Nicoll, Manager

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