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Subject: Info for 1/26 meeting, Boise Parks & Rec Transfer 69327

Attachments: T69327 info.pdf

Gents:

Attached is a summary of some info for our meeting on Monday to resolve the transfer. I can't see any solution other than reject or deny at this point.

Maria also told me she drafted a letter from her director to our director on this. I told her we are meeting to discuss next week so hope that letter is not sent in the middle of all this. She might hold off somewhat on that.

See you Monday.

Also Shelley: I will return the Crouch Log Cabin files by end of today with some ideas John & I came up with, hope it helps.

Steve



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-JL 1/22/09

This 2001 application has lingered without final action for various reasons over time – validity of right, SRBA complications, policy questions and so on. Everything has been satisfactorily resolved except for a policy issue about separate ground water sources.

The transfer seeks to move a municipal right from the low temperature geothermal Gamble Well near Camels Back Park to the cold water Warm Springs Golf Course Well for continued municipal use (actually supplemental irrigation at golf course).

Jeff Peppersack, Shelley Keen, John Westra and I discussed the proposal last October. The result was a determination that the application could not be approved unless the applicant could show a hydraulic connection between the different ground water sources.

Following that discussion, I asked Ken Neely if the department had any information suggesting that link. Ken said we did not. He doubted any communication between the wells based on his experience with the area.

The applicant failed to provide information establishing connectivity between the sources.

The following key documents summarize the situation:

- 8/26/08 letter to applicant seeking more information (“transfer reject” letter)
- 9/12/08 reply from applicant arguing information is not needed
- 1/20/09 email from applicant requesting transfer approval by 1/30/09.