

MEMORANDUM

Date: December 22, 2008
To: Transfer 71593 File
From: Corey Skinner
Re: Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information Submitted

Transfer proposes adding a new point of diversion (new well to be drilled) to a group of seven ground water rights (43-2512, 43-2512C, 43-4060A, 43-4063A, 43-10282, 43-10283, and 43-12937) used to irrigate a farm located approximately 9.5 -13.2 miles north and 6.8 – 8.5 miles east of Malta. The new well will be combined with four existing wells to divert up to 19.44 cfs and 4641 afa for the irrigation of 1170 acres on the farm. The wells are not located within the ESPA or a water district, but are located within the Raft River Critical Ground Water Area.

- **Authority to File:**
The applicants are listed as current owners of the rights involved with the transfer according to IDWR records.
- **Water Right Validity:**
The rights involved with the transfer were decreed in the SRBA and involved in previously approved transfer # 71593 (approved January 18, 2005). Recent aerial photography indicates that the lands involved with the transfer appear to be irrigated.
- **Injury to Other Water Rights:**
None anticipated. The new well is located near the existing well(s).
- **Enlargement of Use:**
None anticipated.
- **Local Public Interest:**
No issues anticipated. Application will be subject to public notice and protest.
- **Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:**
Proposed use is recognized as beneficial uses of water. Sprinklers are utilized for irrigation.

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.