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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

In Re-SRBA

Case No. 39570 DISTRICT COURT-SRBA
Fifth Judicial District
County of Twin Falls - State of Idaho

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By _____

Clerk

Deputy Clerk

**ORDER OF PARTIAL DECREE FOR
IRRIGATION DELIVERY ENTITY
USING DIGITAL BOUNDARY
DESCRIPTION; I.C. §§ 42-202B(2), 42-
219(2), 42-1411(2)(h)**

**For Water Right: 67-11487
(Sorenson Rinehart Ditch Co.)**

I.

~~Findings and Conclusions~~

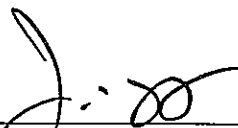
1. On December 22, 2006, the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) filed its *Director's Report, Basin 67, Reporting Area 19, for Irrigation and Other Uses*, which included recommendation(s) for the above-captioned water right(s). The recommendation(s) included descriptions for the place of use element using a "digital boundary" as defined by I.C. § 42-202(B)(2)(2003). No objections to the recommendation(s) was/were filed and the time period for filing objections has now expired.
2. The above-captioned water right(s) is/are for an irrigation purpose of use and satisfy one of the following statutory criteria: (1) used in conjunction with an irrigation project where the canals constructed cover an area of twenty-five thousand (25,000) acres or more; (2) the place of use for the water rights is located within an irrigation district organized pursuant to the laws of the state of Idaho; or (3) the water right(s) is/are for an irrigation project developed by an association, company, corporation or the United States to divert and deliver or distribute surface water under any annual charge or rental for beneficial use by more than five (5) water users in an area less than twenty-five thousand (25,000) acres.
3. Effective July 1, 2002, the Idaho Legislature approved the use of a Geographic Information System (GIS) for describing the place of use (digital boundary) for water rights meeting the above-stated criteria. *See* I.C. §§ 42-219(2)(2003) and 42-1411(2)(h)(2003). The GIS mapping technology allows the geographic area encompassing the place of use for a water right to be particularly identified and visually displayed in a map overlay format

through the aid of computer technology. In incorporating a digital boundary into a partial decree, the electronic or digital data is what is actually decreed as opposed to the visually displayed map ultimately generated from the data. The data is stored on a CD-ROM. The Court finds that the GIS mapping technology maintained by IDWR complies with the standards for spatial accuracy set forth in I.C. § 42-202B (2)(2003). *See Notice of Filing Affidavit of Michael Ciscell Re: Digital Boundary, filed October 17, 2003.*

II. ORDER

1. Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the above-captioned water right(s) is/are hereby **decreed** as set forth in the attached *Partial Decree(s) Pursuant to I.R.C.P. 54(b)*.
2. IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that the data comprising the digital boundary shall be stored on a CD-ROM medium, which shall be issued in duplicate original. The SRBA District Court will retain one original together with the original *Partial Decree(s)* and IDWR will retain the other original. The map depicting the place of use attached to the *Partial Decree(s)* is intended for illustrative purposes only.
3. IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that upon request, the claimant can obtain a copy of the CD-ROM from IDWR at no cost, although GIS software will still be required to access the data. Subsequent administrative changes to the place of use shall also be stored in a digital format and kept on file and maintained by IDWR. IDWR shall maintain all computer software and/or hardware necessary for reducing the data to a usable format that is accessible to the general public, including access through the IDWR Internet website (www.idwr.state.id.us) or its successor Uniform Resource Locator (URL).

Dated September 10, 2008.



JOHN M. MELANSON
Presiding Judge
Snake River Basin Adjudication

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

In Re SRBA)
Case No. 39576)
PARTIAL DECREE PURSUANT TO
I.R.C.P. 54(b) FOR
Water Right 67-11487

DISTRICT COURT-SRBA
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SOURCE: NORTH FORK COTTONWOOD CREEK TRIBUTARY: COTTONWOOD CREEK

QUANTITY: 12.00 CFS

PRIORITY DATE: 06/05/1902

POINT OF DIVERSION: T16N R01E S09 SENWNE Within Adams County

PURPOSE AND PERIOD OF USE:	PURPOSE OF USE	PERIOD OF USE	QUANTITY
	Irrigation	03-15 TO 11-15	12.00 CFS

PLACE OF USE:

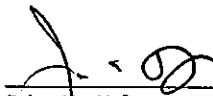
The boundary encompassing the place of use for this water right is described with a digital boundary as defined by I.C. Section 42-202B(2) and authorized pursuant to I.C. Section 42-1411(2)(h). The data comprising the digital boundary are incorporated herein by reference and are stored on a CD-ROM disk issued in duplicate originals on file with the SRBA District Court and the Idaho Department of Water Resources. A map depicting the place of use is attached hereto to illustrate the place of use described by the digital boundary.

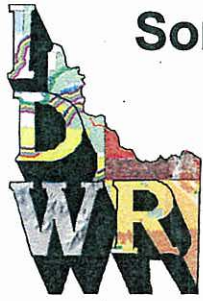
OTHER PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR DEFINITION OR ADMINISTRATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT:

THIS PARTIAL DECREE IS SUBJECT TO SUCH GENERAL PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR THE DEFINITION OF THE RIGHTS OR FOR THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE WATER RIGHTS AS MAY BE ULTIMATELY DETERMINED BY THE COURT AT A POINT IN TIME NO LATER THAN THE ENTRY OF A FINAL UNIFIED DECREE. I.C. SECTION 42-1412(6).

RULE 54(b) CERTIFICATE

With respect to the issues determined by the above judgment or order, it is hereby CERTIFIED, in accordance with Rule 54(b), I.R.C.P., that the court has determined that there is no just reason for delay of the entry of a final judgment and that the court has and does hereby direct that the above judgment or order shall be a final judgment upon which execution may issue and an appeal may be taken as provided by the Idaho Appellate Rules.


John M. Melanson
Presiding Judge of the
Snake River Basin Adjudication

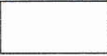


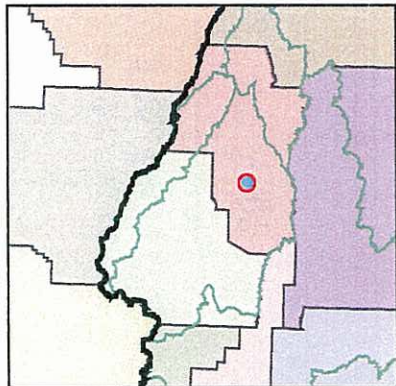
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SRBA Recommendation: 67-11487

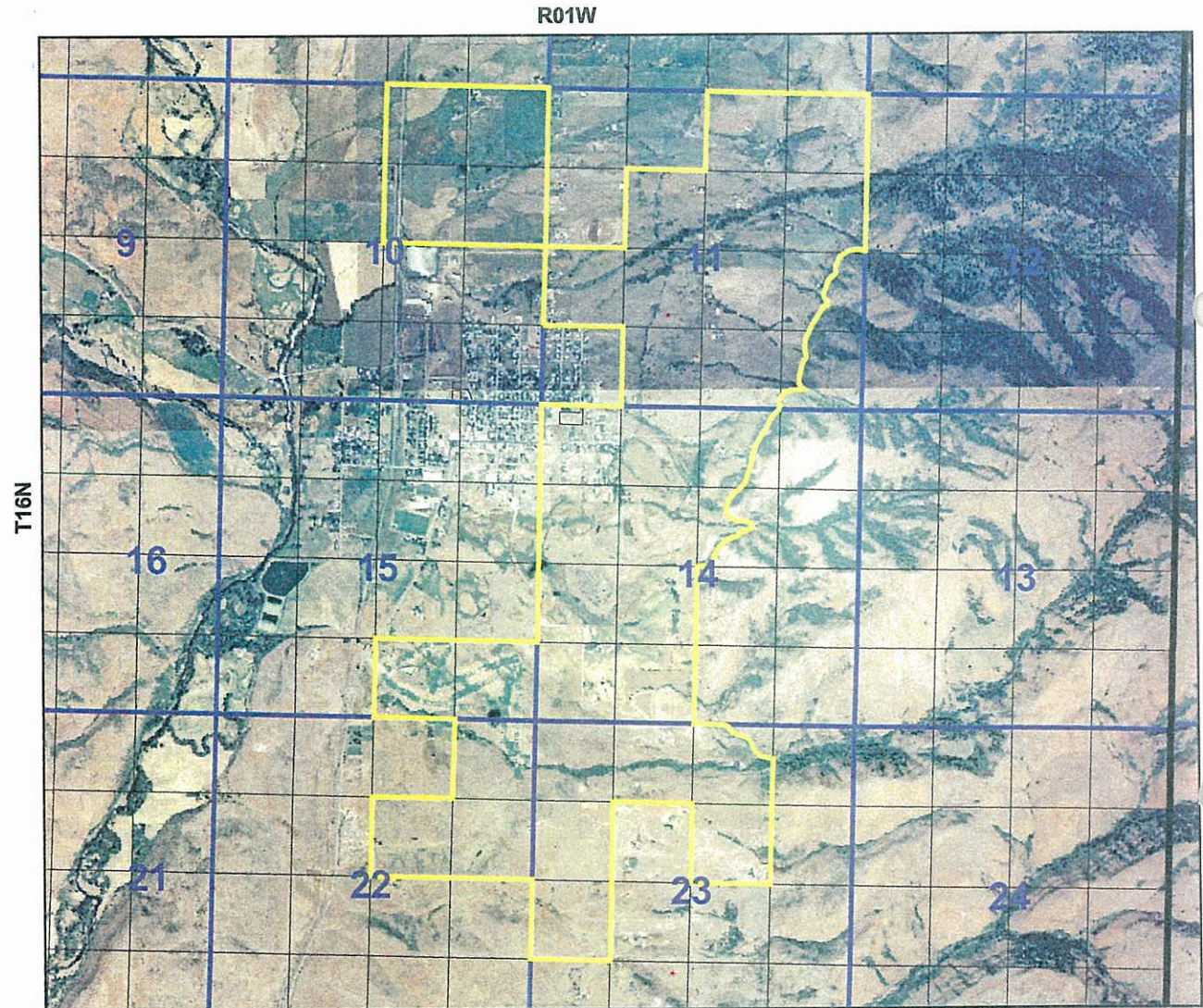
Service Area Boundary
GIS Place of Use Illustration

Legend

-  Service Area
-  Townships
-  PLS Sections
-  Quarter Quarters



Adams County
IDWR Basin 67



0 1 2 Miles

Prepared by D. Favreau
On Tuesday, December 19, 2006
1987/88 Aerial Photography

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that a true and correct copy of the ORDER OF PARTIAL DECREE FOR IRRIGATION DELIVERY ENTITY USING DIGITAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION was mailed on December 10, 2008, with sufficient first-class postage to the following:

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