

Lester, Steve

From: Lester, Steve
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2007 4:19 PM
To: Tuthill, Dave
Subject: Simco Road Speedway/Nascar

Dave:

see 9/17/07 letter

Per your instructions, the attached letter discusses holding the transfer application per applicant's request.

Although the application is a straight-forward relocation of an irrigation right and does not mention the proposed speedway, the consulting engineer for this application verbally informed me that it is for the proposed Nascar site.

Please let me know if I can provide any other information in this regard.

Steve



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Lester, Steve

From: Lester, Steve
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2007 1:24 PM
To: Skaggs, Pam
Subject: RE: Simco Road Speedway water right

Pam:

No, I haven't heard anything. If all this is about Eisenman Transfer Application 73788 (61-7283A), applicant requested & received a letter from Western confirming that processing would not occur until applicant requested us to start - Eisenman was very clear about this request. So I don't see how we can proceed with something based on pressure from elsewhere when the applicant (who is also the right owner) says the opposite. Sounds like something remains to be worked out between the private parties before anything can happen at IDWR.

I'll let you know if I do receive anything from outside the department on this.

Steve

-----Original Message-----

From: Skaggs, Pam
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2007 11:20 AM
To: Lester, Steve
Subject: FW: Simco Road Speedway water right

Hi Steve,

Did you hear from Mr. Yost?

Pam

From: Skaggs, Pam
Sent: Thursday, October 04, 2007 9:03 AM
To: 'jyost@gov.idaho.gov'
Cc: Lester, Steve; Westra, John
Subject: FW: Simco Road Speedway water right

Mr. Yost,

Steve Lester of our Western Region office researched the pending transfer applications in their office and found two transfer applications that might be related to the speedway project, but don't specifically identify that project. Could you please provide a little more information regarding the transfer application that you referred to in your e-mail, so we can follow-up on your request?

We could confirm the application by the applicant's name, water right numbers or the Transfer Application number. A legal description of the proposed place of use or development, the date the application was submitted, or a receipt number and fee amount could also be helpful. We will use whatever information you can provide.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Pam Skaggs
Water Right Supervisor

10/9/2007

Boise, State Office
(208) 287-4951

-----Original Message-----

From: Jim Yost [mailto:jyost@gov.idaho.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, October 02, 2007 1:51 PM

To: Tuthill, Dave

Subject: Simco Road Speedway water right

Dave,

Could you have one of the folks working on water right transfers see if they can't expedite work on this transfer? I don't want to dictate which transfers you all work on to handle the backlog, but some of these transfers include major policy issues for the state. Maybe you could help us out on this one.

Thanks, Jim.

10/9/2007

Lester, Steve

From: Lester, Steve
Sent: Wednesday, October 03, 2007 4:44 PM
To: Skaggs, Pam
Subject: RE: Simco Road Speedway water right

Pam:

We have a murky situation in this regard.

Western has 2 pending transfer applications that might apply to Nascar project, "Simco Road Speedway." We do not know for sure if they do, nothing in files confirms this, nothing in files mentions Simco Road Speedway.

Both cover rights already decreed in Basin 61. Both filed late 2006. We have quite a few eligible for processing that were filed before then, including some with significant money/development involved

1) T73788 to relocate one irrigation right to land just west of Simco Road and just south of I84, Eisenman Family Trust. Applicant requested that we hold this one as of 9/17/07. Engineer Bob Walker (not consultant of record) briefly mentioned this was for proposed Nascar site, just move irrigation right there & follow up later with changing nature of use &/or filing another transfer later for non-irrigation use.

2) T73811 to relocate portions of multiple rights to land just east of Simco Road and just south of I84, Idaho Water Company (Del Kohtz). Confusing & multiple contacts, one of them might have mentioned something about possible Nascar site, not clear from file. Kohtz is water broker for this, application was supposed to be filed by Brockway office, proposed P/U owner Preston (Shekinah Industries) visited with me 12/8/06 and was upset that Kohtz filed this instead of letting Brockway handle it etc. So contact information is confusing at best.

The attached file notes give a brief summary of some of the above information.

At this time we do not know if one/both of these are the subject of Governor's office interest. If #1 is, the suggestion to process contradicts very recent information from the applicant. If #2 is, the applicant or somebody needs to clear up the contact person etc. information since it's a mess.

I would ask SO to seek clarification from the Governor's office - who requested processing and for what transfer? Is there a document out there somewhere stating that such & such transfer is for the speedway project? We remain in the dark without more information. We can proceed if the request is more clear, although I usually have some qualms about keeping people with non-processed older applications waiting even longer. This uneasiness has been exacerbated by the transfer hold we were directed to implement a couple years ago.

So we don't know what's up. I'll wait to hear more from SO before doing anything. Please let me know if you need more from me.

Steve

-----Original Message-----

From: Skaggs, Pam
Sent: Wednesday, October 03, 2007 12:50 PM
To: Lester, Steve
Cc: Peppersack, Jeff; Keen, Shelley
Subject: RE: Simco Road Speedway water right

10/3/2007

Steve,

Here's the request that we spoke about. Let us know if it is the application you were thinking of & what the processing status is currently.

Thanks for your help.

Pam

-----Original Message-----

From: Peppersack, Jeff
Sent: Wednesday, October 03, 2007 10:30 AM
To: Keen, Shelley; Skaggs, Pam
Subject: FW: Simco Road Speedway water right

FYI

-----Original Message-----

From: Tuthill, Dave
Sent: Wednesday, October 03, 2007 10:28 AM
To: Westra, John; Peppersack, Jeff; Spackman, Gary
Subject: FW: Simco Road Speedway water right

John,

The Gov's office has not asked for much consideration on specific processing -- here is one.

Would you please look into this one?

Thanks, Dave

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Sent: Tuesday, October 02, 2007 1:51 PM
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Thanks, Jim.

10/3/2007

Westra, John

From: Tim Corder [tcorder@senate.idaho.gov]
Sent: Thursday, September 27, 2007 8:35 AM
To: nwmsid@gmail.com
Cc: Westra, John
Subject: Re: Speedway Water Rights

I will need more information. Who specifically is requesting the transfer? What is the application and or water right number? What was the date of the request?

Tim Corder
Senate District 22, Boise and Elmore Counties.
>>> "Stuart Hurley" <nwmsid@gmail.com> 09/23/07 1:17 PM >>>
Hello,

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We have been in constant correspondance with DWR regarding this issue. Attached is a summary of where we are at.

We do understand every development project that requires a transfer or applies for a new water right goes through the same frustrating process with DWR . From small 20-acre residential projects to the large multi-thousand acre planned communities, the process is the same. What DWR may not understand is the huge economic implications. Under the current situation, it generally takes one to two years for DWR to process water right applications which puts a major strain on the development community and viability of many projects.

As public figures representing the Treasure Valley and Idaho at large, we would appreciate any assistance and support on this matter.

Sincerely,

Northwest Motorsports

Westra, John

From: Westra, John
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2007 8:01 AM
To: 'Tim Corder'
Subject: RE: Re: Speedway Water Rights



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Goodmorning Tim:

There is no delay on IDWR's part. Mr. Eiseman (applicant) has given our office specific instructions to hold the transfer until he instructs us differently. Prior to September 07, this was a verbal instruction with a note in the file. In early September, Mr. Eiseman requested a letter from me stating such.

Letter is attached below.

John

-----Original Message-----

From: Tim Corder [mailto:tcorder@senate.idaho.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 08, 2007 1:38 PM
To: Westra, John
Subject: Fwd: Re: Speedway Water Rights

John,

I have forwarded a mail for your review. Could you help me understand the delay for action on this transfer?

Tim Corder
Senate District 22, Boise and Elmore Counties.

Westra, John

From: Stuart Hurley [nwmsid@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, October 05, 2007 2:16 PM
To: Tim Corder
Subject: Re: Speedway Water Rights

Hi Tim,

I apologize for the delay in response as I have been out of town and wanted to give you a copy of the transfer cover sheet, which is attached. The Eisenman Family Trust is the applicant requesting the transfer to Juniper Station Farm, which the Eisenman family also owns. The water right number is 61-7283A. The transfer was submitted to IDWR on November 7, 2006.

Thank you again for your assistance.
Stuart

On 9/27/07, **Tim Corder** <tcorder@senate.idaho.gov> wrote:

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