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Keith E. Franklin
Idaho Department of Water Resources
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RE: Water Rights Application for Mr. Richard Woods Jr.

Dear Mr. Franklin,

DEQ has received a request for comment on the approval of an application to construct a well and draw 0.43 cfs of ground water for domestic, irrigation, and stock water use from January 1 to December 31. Based on the information that has been provided, DEQ cannot estimate nor predict impairments to surface or ground water beneficial uses resulting from the requested withdrawal. However, assuming all federal, state, and local permits have been obtained, regulations met, and reviews completed, we can offer the following comments.

This activity will comply with all aspects of the Well Construction Standards Rules, IDAPA 37, Title 03, Chapter 09. In addition, all work will be completed following the guidelines, best management practices, rules and regulations found in "Idaho Well-Driller's Regulatory Compliance Guidebook", Marc McGregor, UI, distributed by the Idaho Department of Water Resources.

It is the policy of the State of Idaho, Ground Water Management Plan that existing and projected beneficial uses of ground water and interconnected surface water be maintained and protected and degradation that would impair beneficial uses of ground water and interconnected surface water not be allowed.

Thank you for requesting our review and comment of your activity.

Sincerely,

Kerby M. Cole, P.E.
Regional Administrator

KC/cb

CC: Richard Woods Jr., Lewiston
Mark Von Lindern, P.E., Lewiston
Ray Hennekey, IDFG