

Comment Report

Application ID 74270

1. jstanton 11/29/2007 9:35:24 AM Special Administration Area Notes

Comment: Special Administration Areas : Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer

Exempt: N

Reason:

Doc Attached:

Explanation:

Special Administration Areas : North Snake GW District

Exempt: N

Reason:

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Explanation:

2. jstanton 11/29/2007 9:35:43 AM Additional Information Notes

Comment: Reviewed by Adjudication Staff: N/A

Mitigation Plan or acceptance form: N/A

Municipal Rights Anticipated Horizon Information: N/A

3. jstanton 11/29/2007 Comment/Analysis

Comment: This application ties two existing wells together, and changes the pou slightly to describe how the farm is currently irrigated. The place of use decreases slightly, requiring a reduction of the combined annual acreage and volume; the applicant has consented to this. The transfer should be approvable with standard conditions.

Authority To File: The applicant is the owner of record, so this not an issue.

Water Right Validity: The rights were decreed in 2001, and recent aerial photos show how the land is presently irrigated. A few decreed acres are no longer irrigated or never were irrigated due to county roads bordering the property. The applicant is willingly giving up the right to irrigate these few acres, so forfeiture does not appear to be an issue requiring further review.

Injury To Other Rights: There should be none.

Enlargement of Use: None requested.

Local Public Interest: No issues identified.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources: No issues identified. The land is sprinkled for maximum efficiency of water use.

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Review of the application finds that there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Sec. 42-222 I. C. preventing processing. At least prior to advertising, no other issues have been identified that would require further review or submittal of additional data by the applicant.

4. jstanton 11/29/2007 Legal Notice Remarks

Comment: This application formalizes the combined use of two existing on this farm, and ties two existing water rights together in a permissible place of use. There will be no actual change in water use on this farm, as the transfer just describes how the property has been irrigated for many years. The property is located 2 miles SE of Hazelton.