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Re: Water Right Applications for Wildlife Projects

Dear Mr. Mason:

Enclosed is information we recently discussed regarding numerous applications for permit seeking new water rights from surface water sources in the lower portion of the Boise River Basin. We discussed the need for the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) to seek comments from your agency, among others, regarding the proposals.

Ideally, IDWR would process all the applications simultaneously for comprehensive and efficient efforts in this regard. However, other constraints require IDWR to act at this time on the first group of the pending applications.

Four applications for Tree Top Ranches LP are being processed at this time. The applications are identified as numbers 63-32462, 63-32465, 63-32466 and 63-32467. If your agency desires to file a protest against any of the four applications, please note the June 25, 2007 protest deadline in the enclosed copy of the legal notice for those applications. If your agency does not want to protest the applications but has concerns about any of them, please provide written comments at your earliest convenience. Please see the enclosed information regarding the Tree Top Ranches applications for more details.

Copies of other applications filed by different owners are also enclosed. Most of the applications include complete information while some await further details from the applicant. IDWR will provide you with any additional information received for this group as the applications are ready to process. IDWR will seek your comments on those applications when they are processed.

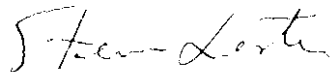
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I hope we can consider individual impacts for any given project in addition to cumulative impacts for all the projects by this process. Please let me know if you have any questions about any of the enclosed information. Thank you for your help with this unprecedented situation in the Boise River area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Steve Lester".

Steve Lester

Water Rights Supervisor

Enclosure