

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 11, 2006
To: Transfer 73029 File
From: Corey Skinner
Re: Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information Submitted

Application proposes changing the location of a point of diversion on the Little Wood River to a new location approximately 1000 feet downstream from the existing diversion. The diversion is used to supply water to a farm located approximately 8.5 – 9.25 miles west and 1.0 – 2.0 miles north of the center of Shoshone. The new point of diversion will be located approximately 8.5 miles west and 1.5 miles north of the center of Shoshone. The applicant indicated that his existing diversion is deteriorating and needs to be replaced, and he would like to replace the diversion at a more desirable location (access to power for pumping). The transfer involves three rights, 37-59C, 37-613, 37-614, that have all been recommended and reported to the SRBA court, but have not yet been decreed. Note that right 37-59C is originally diverted from the Big Wood River, and eventually injected into the Little Wood River and rediverted from the proposed new diversion point. Also note that the place of use for the three rights involved with the transfer overlaps the place of use for groundwater right 37-7591 and that the rights share overlap conditions.

- **Authority to File:**
Applicant is listed as the current owner according to IDWR records.
- **Water Right Validity:**
All the rights have all been recommended and reported to the SRBA court, but have not yet been decreed
- **Injury to Other Water Rights:**
None anticipated. The proposed change in point of diversion is moving the diversion point less than ¼ mile downstream, with no diversions located between the existing and proposed diversion. In addition, the rights involved with this transfer are the only rights diverted from the existing diversion.
- **Enlargement of Use:**
None anticipated if appropriate conditions and limits are implemented.
- **Local Public Interest:**
Application will be subject to public notice and protest.
- **Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:**
Proposed use is a beneficial use of water.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.