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July 19, 2006

To: Idaho Department of Water Resources, Allen Merritt

From: Steve and Michelle Zettel

Subject: Water right application 72-16704

We are enclosing copies of the letters from both the IDEQ as well as the Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game. I believe that these letters were already sent to you by the agencies but we wanted to make sure our application was complete.

We will answer your questions stated in the letter:

1. The potential to reduce the quantity of water under existing water rights. To our knowledge there are no existing water rights. It is a spring that stays on our property almost entirely and shortly after leaving the property it flows into the slough.
2. Sufficiency of water supply: The water flows year round.
3. Good Faith: We have already had Fish and Game out to the site as well as an engineer and plan on involving them to make sure we enhance fish habitat.
4. Financial resources: The cost of the pond we want to put is will be very small estimated at less than \$5000.
5. The other concerns were addressed by ID Dept of Fish and Game as well as the IDEQ in their respective letters.

If you have any questions please let us know we will do our best to get you the answers you need. We are really looking forward to the project.

Thank you for all your help.



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JAMES E. RISOLI, GOVERNOR  
TODD HARDESTY, DIRECTOR

July 10, 2006

Steve and Michelle Zettel  
PO Box 795  
Challis, Idaho 83226

RE: Water Rights Application Comments

Dear Mr. and Ms. Zettel:

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality ("Department") has reviewed our existing water quality information near your proposed project site identified in Application 72-16704.

The Department does not have any existing water quality information near your proposed point of diversion. We do not believe your use of water will have a negative impact on Salmon River or the surrounding areas.

The Department encourages you to contact the Army Corps of Engineers to determine if you need a permit to construct your ponds. Their Idaho Falls Regulatory Office may be contacted at 208.522.1645.

As we discussed on the telephone, the Department would appreciate the opportunity to monitor water temperature in the area after your pond is installed. Please notify us if you are willing to cooperate with us on this matter.

We do not have any other substantive comments at this time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 208.528.2650 for additional information we may be able to provide.

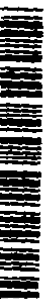
Thank you for the opportunity to review your application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Troy Saffle", written over a light-colored background.

Troy Saffle  
Regional Water Quality Manager  
Idaho Falls Regional Office

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July 14, 2006

Allen Merritt  
Idaho Department of Water Resources  
1341 Fillmore Street, Suite 200  
Twin Falls, Idaho 83301-3380

Re: Water Right Application No. 72-16704 (Zettel)

Dear Allen,

Idaho Department of Fish and Game staff has reviewed the above application from Mr. and Mrs. Zettel to maintain a private pond in the Salmon River drainage near Challis. The applicants are requesting 0.7 afa to enhance habitat for wildlife and native fish. The Zettel's have worked closely with the Department to plan this project for optimum fish and wildlife habitat enhancement and we have no objection to the permit issuance.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this application and provide comments.

Sincerely,

James R. Lukens  
Regional Supervisor

cc: Cindy Robertson  
Walt Poole  
Mark Armbruster  
Bob Foster  
Shelley Keen  
Steve and Michelle Zettel