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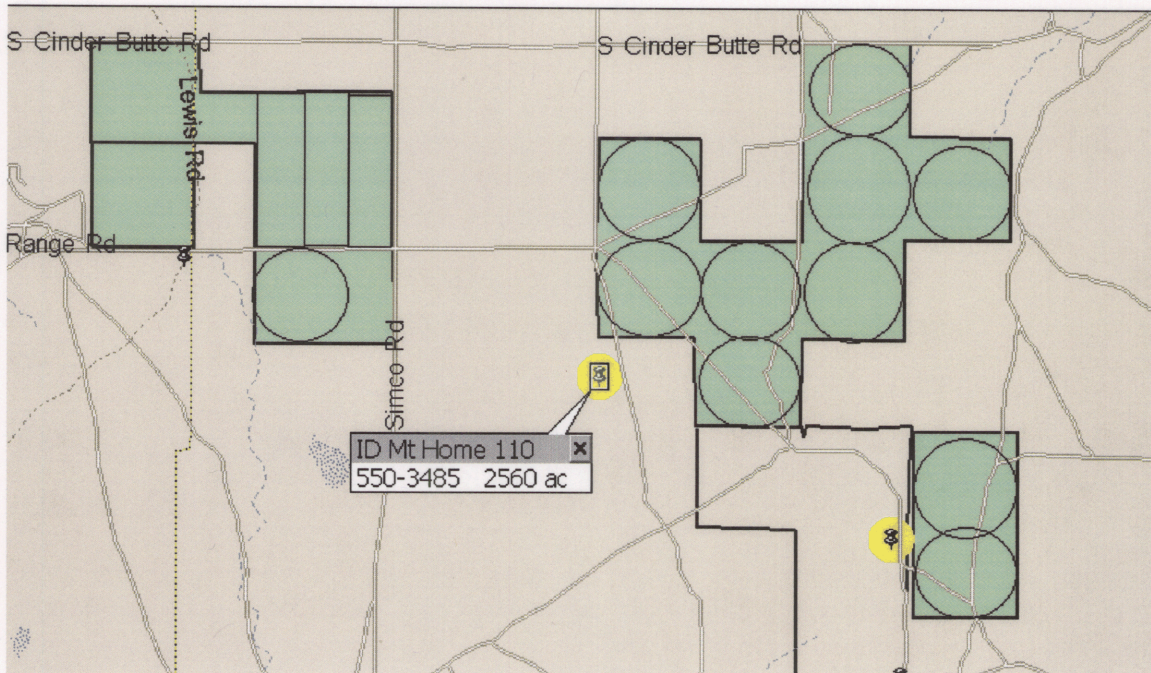
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Dan: The following map and water right summary will help you to understand the full picture so that we can make the best decisions for the entire farm. I appreciate your assistance with these issues.

Water Right Analysis ID Mountain Home Water Rights

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Rate</u> <u>(cfs)</u>	<u>Volume</u> <u>(ac ft)</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Comments</u>
<u>Central Tract</u>						
	870	Crop-able acres				
Corp Pres Bp	61-7210	12/19/1974	6.56	1312	328	
Corp Pres Bp	61-12013	12/8/1980	2.48	680	170	
Corp Pres Bp	61-12010	9/6/1974	<u>13.38</u>	<u>2680</u>	<u>670</u>	
			22.42	4672	1168	
<u>Western Tract</u>						
	1000	Crop-able acres				
Corp Pres Bp	61-7197	9/16/1974	8	3532	785	
Corp Pres Bp	61-7239	8/25/1975	3.2	*	*	*combined w 61-7197
Corp Pres Bp	61-7321	4/4/1977	1.8	*	*	*combined w 61-7197
Joel Durrant	61-7442	6/24/1997	<u>1.7</u>	<u>584</u>	<u>146</u>	
						Purchased 2005. Water right ownership needs to be transferred to Buyer. Limited to 1.7 cfs through combined point of diversion
			14.7	4116	931	
<u>South East Tract</u>						
	250	Crop-able acres				
Edward Montierth	61-7298	12/21/1976	0	0	0	Water right eliminated as result of FRI concession to Steve Reynolds.. (Dan Nelson - IDWR Western office)
Edward Montierth	61-7265	4/12/1976	0.72	351.3	36	Water right reduced as result of FRI concession to Steve Reynolds. Transfer to FRI is under process, . (Dan Nelson- IDWR Western office)
Cinder Cone Butte Farm	61-12013	12/8/1980	<u>0.92</u>	<u>252</u>	<u>63</u>	Idaho Water Bank deposit. John Marshall (attorney) is working with Jeff Peppersack of IDWR to effect this transfer.
			1.64	603.3	99	
Totals			38.76	9391.3	2198	

ID Mountain Home Property



As you can see the three issues outstanding are the Montierth Transfer that you are aware of, the Cinder Cone Butte water bank issue that you have become involved with, and finally the title transfer on the Durrant parcel which we just purchased.

According to my analysis, there is an excess of water rights on the Central Tract and a shortage on both the Western and the South-eastern tracts. In the process of shuffling these rights, it would be helpful to balance up the water as much as possible. There are no interconnecting pipelines between the three tracts.

I was surprised to discover the 14.7 cfs combined limitation on the 61-07442. Does this indeed limit the water on the whole tract (since 61-07442 has only one point of diversion but 61-07321, 61-07197 and 61-07239 have three points of diversion), or can the additional water be taken from a different point of diversion?

I agree with the idea of assigning the volume rate to allow additional acres, even if the flow rate is restricted on the South-eastern tract. We need to have both pivots designated as irrigable so that we can rotate crop onto them.

Please see if you can see any options to better allocate this water. Thank you for your assistance.

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