

MEMORANDUM

Date: December 9, 2005
To: Transfer 72194 File
From: Corey Skinner
Re: Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information Submitted

Transfer application proposes creating a permissible place of use and adding points of diversion for two groundwater rights, 37-2719 and 37-7473, used to irrigate a farm located approximately 3.0 – 4.0 miles north and 2.75 – 3.75 miles east of the Highway 26 and Highway 46 intersection at the south edge of Gooding. The transfer proposes utilizing two existing wells and two new wells to be drilled on the farm to divert no more than a total of 8.0 cfs for the irrigation of 439 acres. The application also proposes to update the ownership of the rights by recording an unrecorded (in IDWR records) ownership change that occurred in March of 1989. The wells and farm are located within the ESPA and Water District 130. The new wells are located within the same cell (R15, C10) within the Groundwater Model as the existing wells and the new wells are located within the authorized place of use of the rights involved with the transfer so no model analysis or mitigation is required.

- **Authority to File:**
Applicants provided copies of warranty deeds, tax notices, and county assessor plats showing that they own the land that the rights are appurtenant to. It appears that they have owned the land and rights since March of 1989 and never updated the ownership in IDWR records.
- **Water Right Validity:**
The rights involved with the transfer were decreed in the Snake River Basin Adjudication in December of 2002.
- **Injury to Other Water Rights:**
None anticipated. New wells are located within the same cell in the Groundwater Model as the existing wells and within the place of use of the rights involved with the transfer.
- **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 (irrigation) is recognized as a beneficial use of water. Sprinklers are part of the irrigation system.

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.