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Ms. Lori Graves  
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Re: Beneficial Use Exam: Big Sky Partnership permits 63-11513, 11514  
Don McFarland Little Camas Prairie

Dear Lori:

As we have previously discussed, Brockway Engineering P.L.L.C. has been retained by Mr. McFarland to perform the beneficial use exam for the remaining permits currently pending with IDWR for his Little Camas property.

The beneficial use field exam is nearly complete for the components of the irrigation system proposed under the permits, specifically evaluation of diversion rates from wells #5, #6 and #7. As you know, the flows throughout the system have not been constant due to a wide range of water level fluctuations which has complicated evaluation of the use and distribution of ground water under these permits. We are currently evaluating expected pumping rates based on ground water levels estimated at the time proof was filed.

Your patience is greatly appreciated, and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



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