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RE: Water Right 63-7649

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Avery:

While reviewing some other water right records in the area of your Whispering Winds Subdivision property, I noticed that Water Right 63-7649 has not been claimed in the Snake River Basin Adjudication of water rights (SRBA). The Department of Water Resources (IDWR) issued Water Right License 63-7649 to William and Sandra Meyer in 1989. The license authorizes the diversion and use of 0.15 cfs (67 gallons per minute) of ground water for domestic use and for the irrigation of four acres. Documentation in the water right file appears to indicate that this water right is appurtenant to your parcel of land.

The SRBA is a court proceeding commenced in 1987 with the purpose of confirming or re-confirming all the water rights established prior to 1987. Because the Meyers submitted their proof of beneficial use for Water Right 63-7649 in 1977, the right must be claimed in the SRBA. If the water right is not claimed, the court could find that it no longer exists. Without a water right, you would not be authorized to divert ground water to irrigate more than half an acre in connection with your home.

Along with a copy of Water Right License 63-7649 and some other documents from the water right file, I have enclosed an SRBA claim form and some information about the SRBA. More information is available on IDWR's web site at www.idwr.idaho.gov. The investigation of claims filed in the SRBA is due to be fully complete by June of 2006. If you conclude that you need to file a claim, please do so right away.

If you have any questions, please call me at 208-287-4947, or email me at shelley.keen@idwr.idaho.gov.

Sincerely,

Shelley W. Keen
Water Rights Supervisor

Enclosures