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Subject: Searle Irrigation Transfer Mitigation

Chuck - Based on Karl's comment on the mitigation rules at a 2003 meeting, flow rates are to be reduced on irrigation-to-irrigation transfers that require mitigation. Allen was not aware of this, so he was advising us that no reduction in flow rates was required for such transfers based on instructions from Norm Young. There are to be no reductions in flow rate for mitigation on change-in-nature-of-use transfers, which is what we see most often these days. Apparently this is the first irrigation transfer requiring mitigation that we have processed under the new rules, so we should all be properly informed should this come up in the future.

Based on your percentage reductions, I found the following flow rates; 5.32 cfs at 90%, 4.73 cfs at 80%, 4.14 cfs at 70%, and 3.84 cfs at 65%. The acreage allowance remains unchanged at 522.4, and the volumes will be as shown on your mitigation schedule. There will of course be combined limits providing 4.0 afa for all the acres at the new pou; the extra volume and acres will be "in the bank" for use in the event of future priority cutbacks (thats why we are not cutting them back to 1460 afa at this time, which was my original thought.

If the proposed rate reductions are acceptable, let me know so I can get the final proposed conditions in place for Pam's last review prior to advertising. I am here until noon Friday, and then will be gone for 2 weeks.