

MEMORANDUM

Date: June 09, 2005
To: Transfer 71809
From: dcarlson
Re: transfer evaluation

This transfer proposes change the point of diversion to an irrigation well that the applicant owns next to the place of use. The current well is on the neighbors property. After a conversation with the applicant a second well was added to the application and after another conversation with the applicant the 2nd well was dropped.

Authority to File:

Applicant provided deeds and completed an ownership change after this was licensed.

Water Right Validity:

This water right was licensed in 2002. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

In the ESPA area and water district 120. No gw measurement district. Cell changes from 17/44 to 18/44.

ESPA model shows a greater than 5% increase in depletions in three of the four reaches. The AF per trimester increase is 1.2 af in the ashton reach, 1.0 af in the milner-king hill reach and 0.6 af in the neely-mindoka reach. The shelly to neely reach shows a reduction of 2.8 af/trimester. No mitigation needed when the total

amounts of each reach are less than 5% of total diversion volume for this transfer.

Watermaster gave his ok.

Transfer will be advertised to determine any protests.

Enlargement of Use:

There is no evidence of enlargement of use.

The condition X35 will be difficult to administer by the watermaster after this is changed into two well systems. But there is not a good way to pro-rate this diversion limitation.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issue identified.

Review of the application finds there is not clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.