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Re: Applications for Transfer No. 69269 (Riverview-Cloverly Irrigation, Inc.); No. 69271, 69272, and 69308 (Harry Rinker)

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) has toured the sites and reviewed applications for transfer from Riverview-Cloverly Irrigation and Harry Rinker. It is our understanding Transfer No. 69269 and 69271 are intended to modify decreed rights from the Big Wood River to reflect actual usage of surface water rights west of Highway 75 and east of Highway 75, respectively. Further, it is our understanding that Transfer No. 69269 no longer includes a change in the points of diversion. Transfer No. 69272 and 69308 propose transfers of 0.063 cfs each to Lot 2 of the Gimlet West and Lot 4 of the Little Macakwao subdivisions and propose changing the point of diversion from Purdum #25 head gate to the Little Macakawao side channel. Approval of the above described transfers should have minimal negative impacts on fish and wildlife resources in the area.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment. If you have further questions please contact Mike McDonald, Environmental Staff Biologist, at this office.

Sincerely,

David Parrish
Magic Valley Regional Supervisor

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