
MEMO

TO: FILE DATE: 4-15-02
FROM: JIM STANTON

RE: App for Transfer 69665, Wm Jones

Today I spoke with the new watermaster for Almo Creek, David Ogren. He said that he had received the comment requests for the app that were sent to the former watermaster, and that he had no comment. He had looked at the property. He said that he did not know the right could have been historically diverted given the eroded depth of the creek channel in that area, but that he thought the claimants were honest and so did not want to dispute them. He said that this diversion is just above where Almo Creek enters the Raft River, and that he thinks that some springs entered the creek on the property just upstream from the Jones place. So Jones would get whatever was in the Almo Creek channel at that point (assuming that he could divert it out), after all the earlier priorities had been satisfied. So this transfer would actually have more effect on Raft River users below Almo Creek, if there are any (there may not be). I told Mr. Ogren that we would like to have his written response for our files.