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RE: Water Right Permit No. 47-8278

Dear Travis:

The Department of Water Resources (IDWR) has received your letter asking if a certified water right examiner can submit a beneficial use field report for Permit No. 47-8278. IDWR fully intends to conduct a field examination for this permit as requested by the permit holder in 1993. However, in recognition of the fact that competing priorities have prevented IDWR from completing the field examination thus far, IDWR will accept a beneficial use field report from a certified water right examiner. If IDWR has not received the certified water right examiner's field report by the time IDWR is ready to conduct a field examination, IDWR will fulfill its obligation to conduct the examination.

Because your intention appears to be the issuance of a water right license as quickly as possible, please submit an ownership change notice at the same time you submit the certified water right examiner's field report. Without the ownership change notice, the certified water right examiner's field report may be rejected because it was not conducted with the authorization of the permit holder of record.

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

cc: Allen Merritt, IDWR Southern Region