

Water Right No.: 35-08039
BLM Project Name: Split Top well

Point of Diversion:

	Township	Range	Section	Lot	10-acre tract	Quarter	Quarter
As licensed	03S	28E	27			SW	NW
BLM Request	03S	28E	27		SE	SE	NW
GPS data	03S	28E	27		SE	SE	NW

Place of Use:

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Data Review and Investigation:

The licensing examination consisted of an in-office review with the cooperation of BLM staff. An on-site visit was not conducted by IDWR at the time of licensing. The map attached to the field report is a copy of the one attached to the application for permit.

The place of use and point of diversion on the map is captioned "Minidoka Water System". The only Well Driller's Report on file with IDWR for any well in Section 27 is in the name of the Minidoka Grazing Association. The Well Driller's Report (Attachment A) locates the well in the SWNW, S27, T03S, R28E, as licensed.

BLM has provided GPS data used to prepare Attachment B.

A search of IDWR's records reveals no other water rights, applications or claims in either of the 40-acre tracts in question.

Conclusions and Recommendation:

Apparently both IDWR and BLM felt that the well was situated in the SWNW of the section, as permitted by IDWR and reported by the well driller. There is some distance between the point licensed and the point identified using GPS technology (nearly ½ mile), but the terrain is relatively flat making it more difficult to locate one's position relative to landmarks.

It is hard to understand how BLM personnel could mistakenly locate the project north, rather than south, of the small dirt road shown on the topographic map. However, the evidence points to only one well, drilled for Minidoka Grazing, in the year BLM applied for the permit that led to right 35-08039. BLM has provided GPS data to IDWR that we believe accurately locates that well. **It is recommended that the POD and POU on license 35-08009 be amended to T03S, R28E, S27, SENW.**

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WELL DRILLER'S REPORT

requires that this report be filed with the Director, Department of Water Resources within 30 days after the completion or abandonment of the well.

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