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John Ash
USDI BLM
2620 Kimberly Road
Twin Falls, ID 83301

Dear Mr. Ash:

Please find enclosed an Application for Permit that the BLM recently filed with our office. The application is being returned due to an insufficient filing fee (check for \$50.00 rather than \$100.00) and items that need further clarification before the application can be processed.

The application and map that accompanies the application indicate that storage tanks are part of the water system. Please note that the Snake River Basin Moratorium prevents processing any new water right application that proposes a stock water diversion of more than 13,000 gallons per day. If more than a 24-hour diversion volume (in this case 13,000 gallons) is stored in the water system, then "water storage" must be included as a proposed water use. Information relating to the size of tanks, and how much the maximum daily amount of water that will be stored in the system will be, should be included to clarify this issue.

The map that is included with the application indicates two locations of water use in Section 16 (T13S, R13E) that is part of the water system, but these locations have not been identified on the application. Apparently, this land is owned by the State of Idaho. Please note that all locations of use need to be described on the water right application. In addition, since this land is owned by a party other than the applicant, then some sort of description of the arrangement allowing for the use of water on the land needs to be included as part of the application (See item # 11a and # 11c).

If you have any questions, or if we can be of any further assistance, feel free to contact this office at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Corey Skinner, PE
Water Resource Engineer

Enclosures