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RE: Application 37-21339

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Water Resources (IDWR) is reviewing your application to divert 0.04 cfs of water from a spring/unnamed stream for domestic purposes and 0.1 AF for aesthetic purposes. Idaho Code § 42-203A(5) directs IDWR to ensure that proposed new water uses meet a number of requirements. One of those requirements is that the proposed use must be consistent with the local public interest. As you know, after IDWR gave public notice that you had filed your application, the Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game (IDF&G) submitted a letter expressing concerns **that the temperature of return flows will exacerbate water quality issues in the Snake River.**

In response to IDF&G's concerns, you might consider meeting with an IDF&G representative to work out an agreement, which would acknowledge and alleviate their concerns. IDWR will hold your application for 30 days to give you a chance to meet with IDF&G or respond to this letter.

If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call at the office or email me at jean.robertson@idwr.idaho.gov.

Sincerely,

Jeanie Robertson
Sr. Water Resource Agent

Cc: David Parrish, Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game