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STATE OF IDAHO

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

)ss COUNTY OF OWYHEE)
I, Joe E. Aman, being first duly sworn, depose and say:
1. That I am a citizen of the United States of America, and at all times hereinafter mentioned was and now over the age of twenty-one years, not a party to nor interested in the proceedings hereinafter mentioned.
2. That during the time of the publication of the notice hereinafter mentioned, I was and now am the publisher of The Owyhee Avalanche , a newspaper of general circulation printed and published weekly, on Wednesday of each and every week, in the City of Homedale, County of Owyhee and State of Idaho.
3. That the said The Owyhee Avalanche has been printed and published continuously and uninterruptedly in said County during a period of more than seventy-eight weeks prior to the first publication of the attached notice.
4. That said notice of which a printed copy, taken from said newspaper, is hereto affixed, was published in the regular issue thereof, and not a supplement thereto, in said
newspaper, in \(\square\)
(consecutive) calendar weekly issue(s) of said newspaper, in the following date(s):
may 148, 1991
Signed Signed
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29 th day of May A.D., 1991
Notary Public in and for the State of Idaho Residing at Homedale, Idaho

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

No. 51-00004 Notice is hereby given that Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co. of Bruneau, Idaho has applied to the Department of Water Resources for a change of place of use of the water of Bruneau River. The right sought to be changed is evidenced by decreed right and is recorded as follows:

Amount: 12.64 cfs Priority: 4-1-1897

Point(s) of Diversion: T7S, R6E, S26 SWSW (Buckaroo Dam). The water is used for irrigation and stockwater purposes on the lands of the shareholders and particularly .40 cfs for 20 acres belonging to Colyer Cattle Co. in T6S, R5E, S.24 SWSW.

TO BE CHANGED AS FOLLOWS 51-00004B

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Any protest against approval of the proposed change of water right application must be filed with the Department of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho 83705 on or before May 20, 1991.

R. Keith Higginson Director

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Commission expires April 1996

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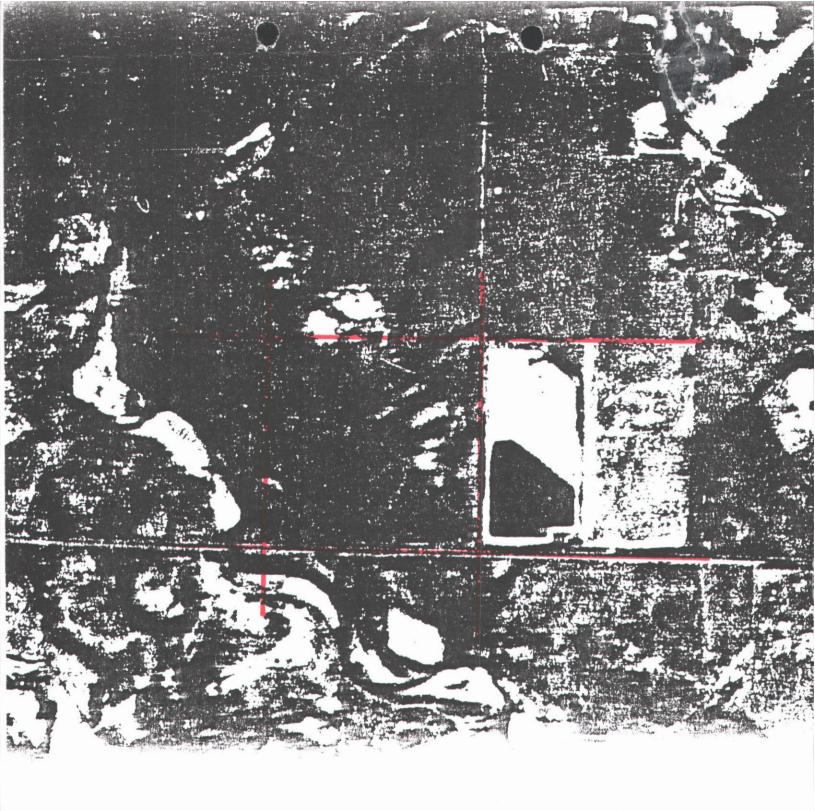
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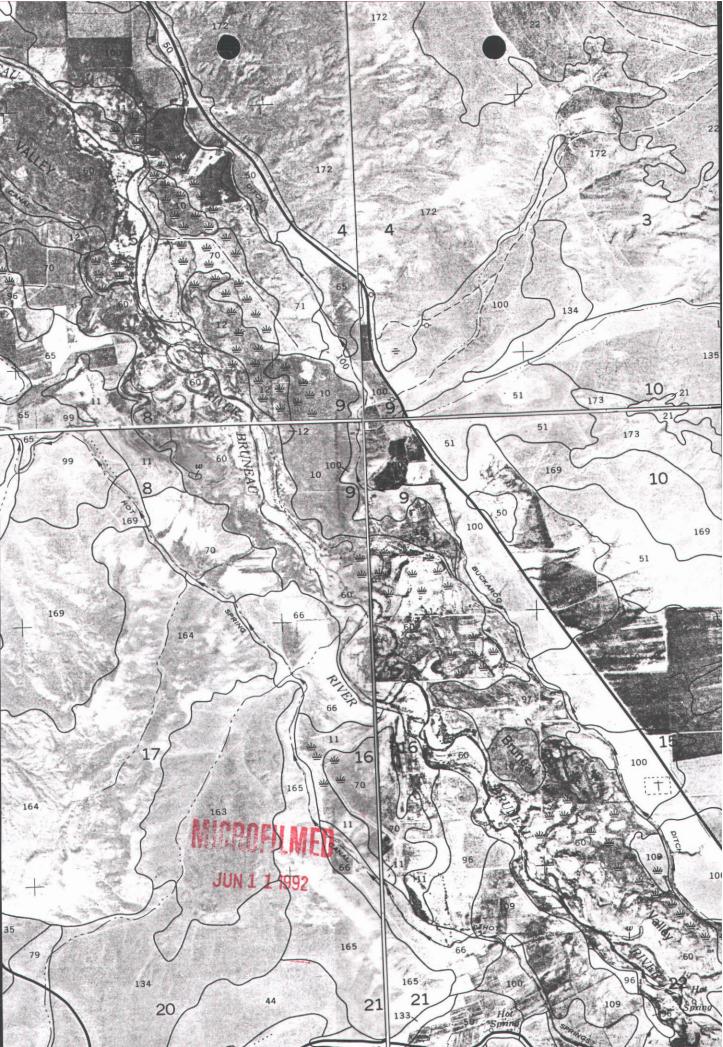
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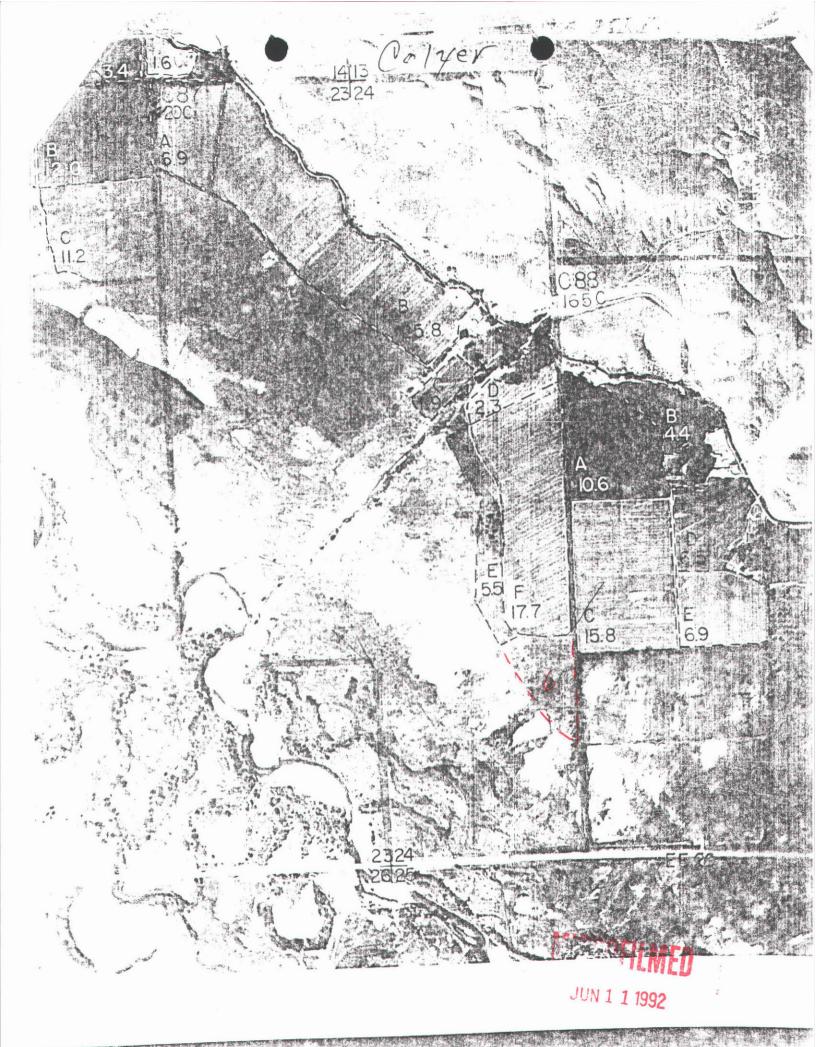
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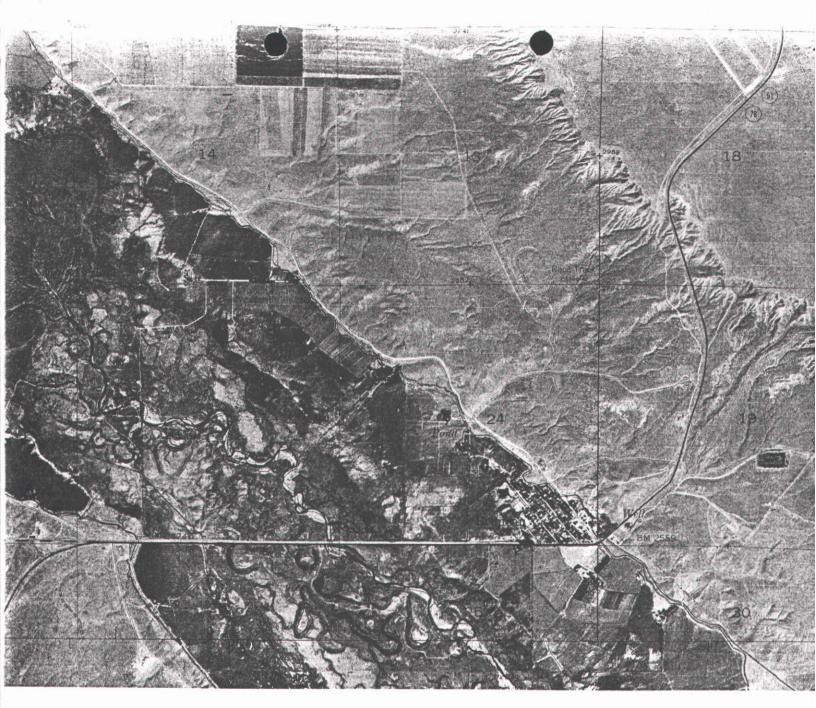


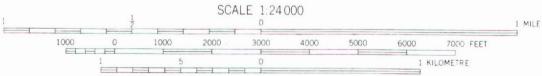
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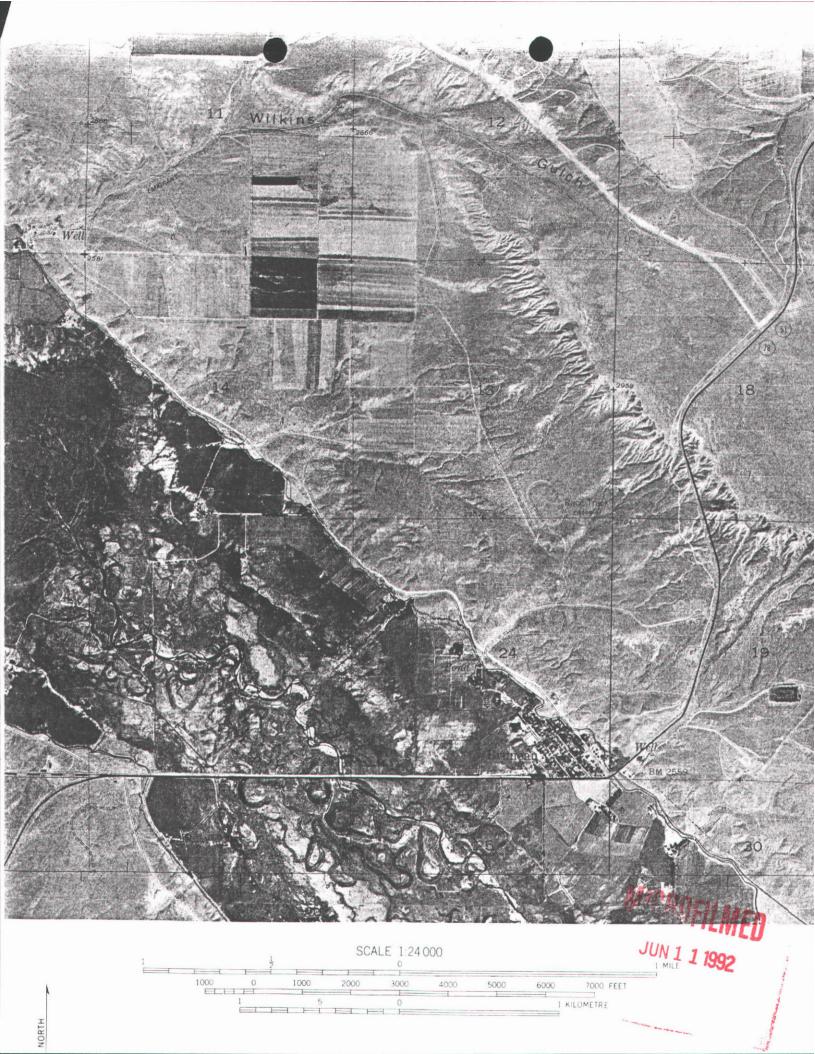
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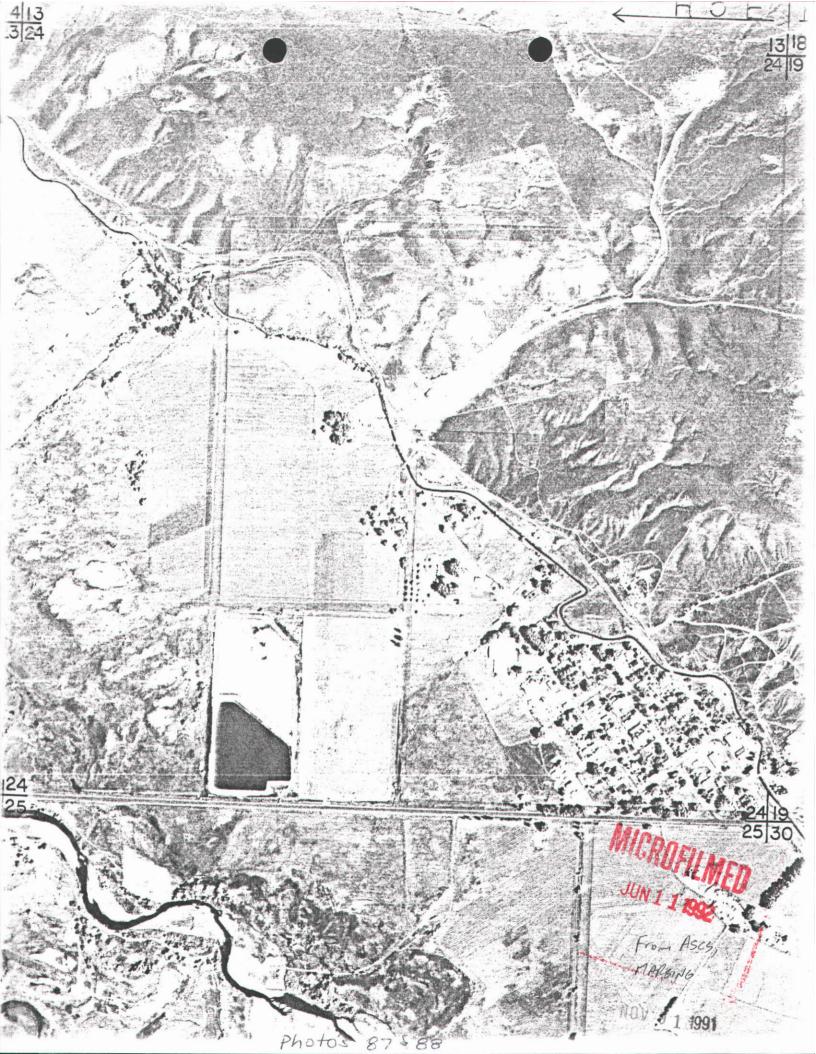
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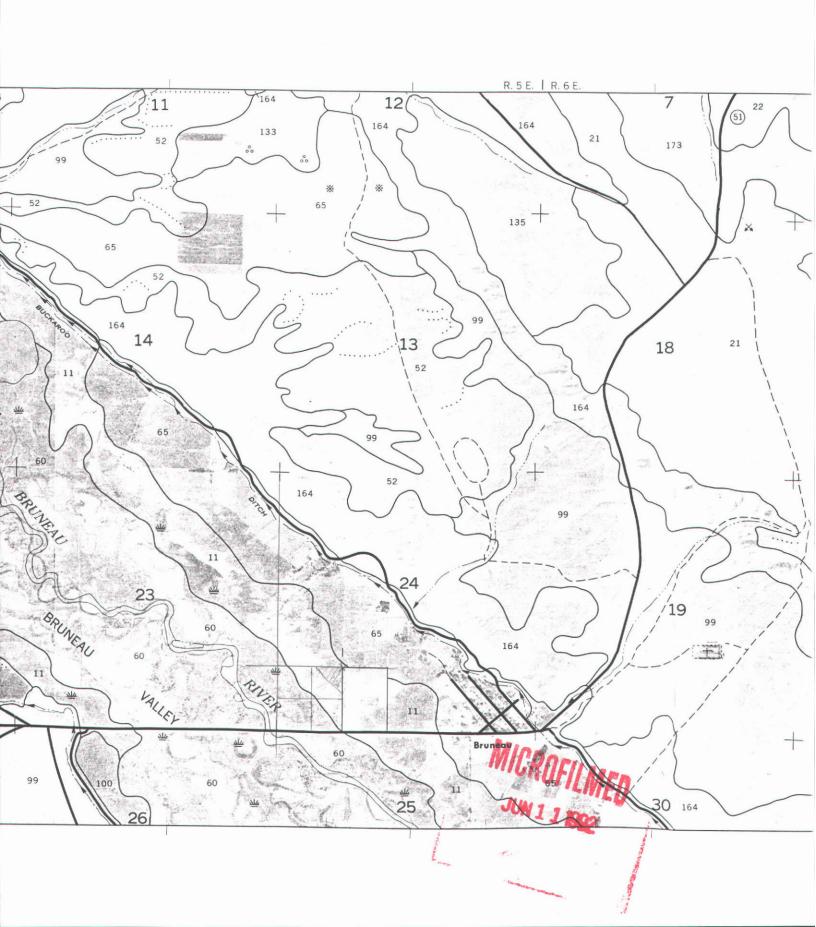
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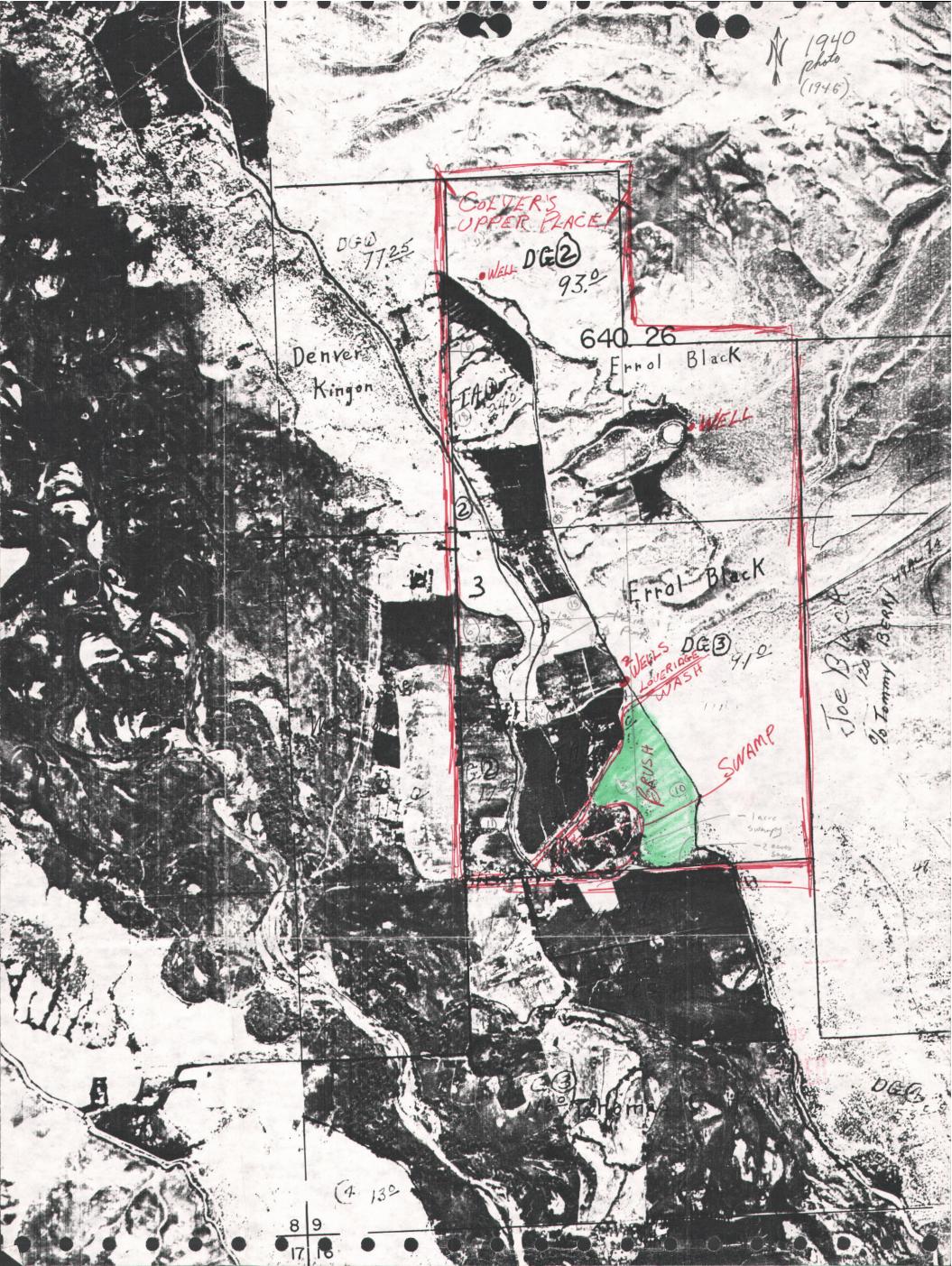


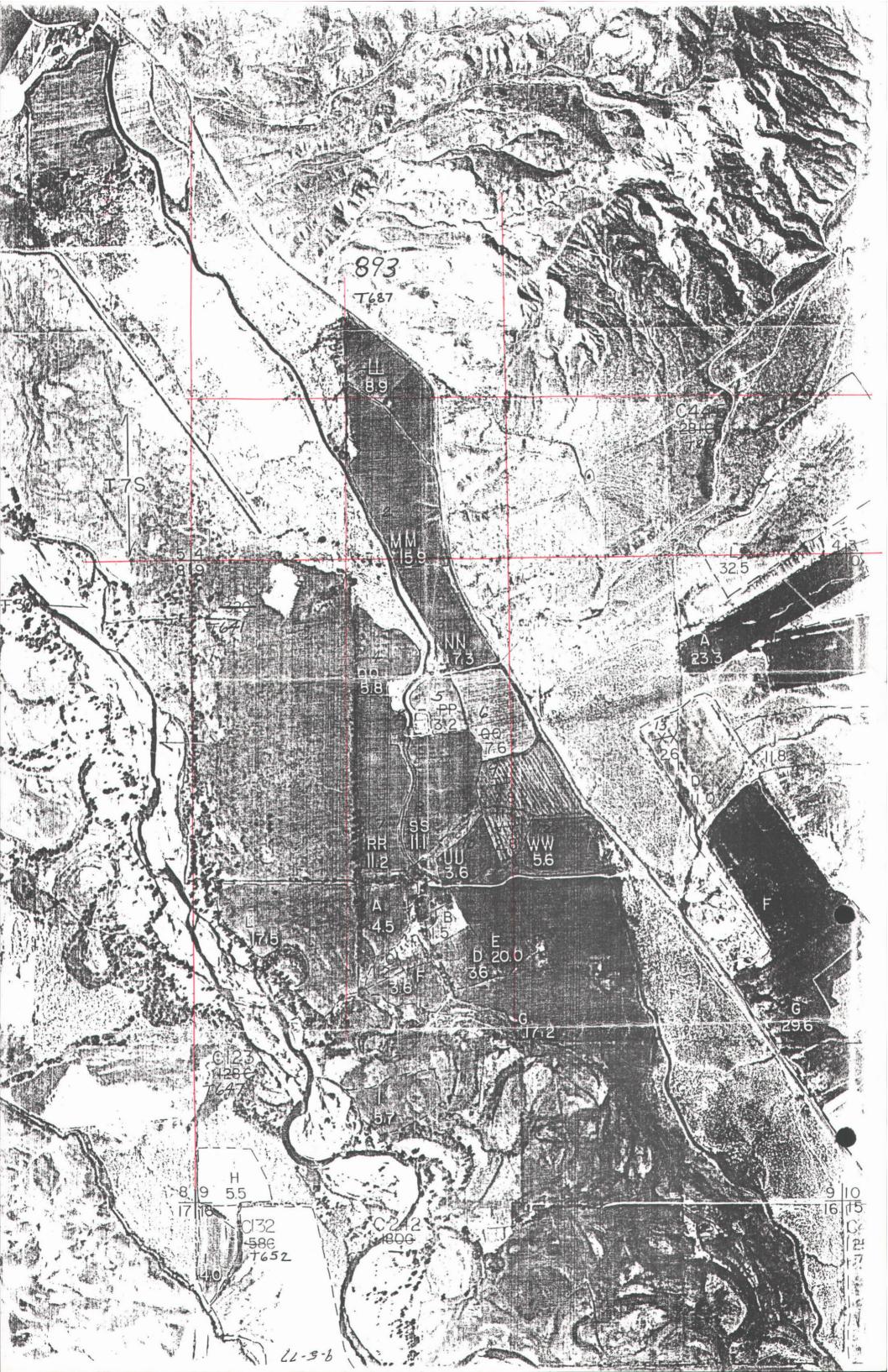
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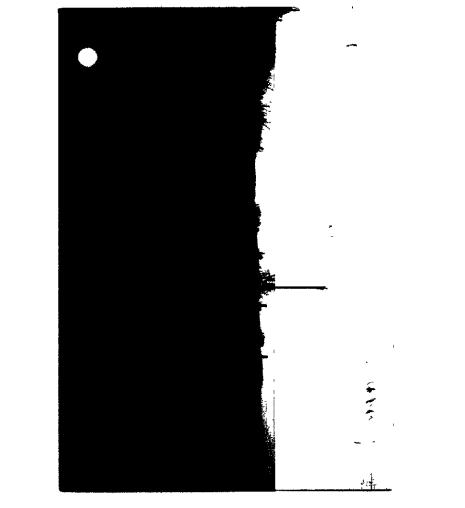
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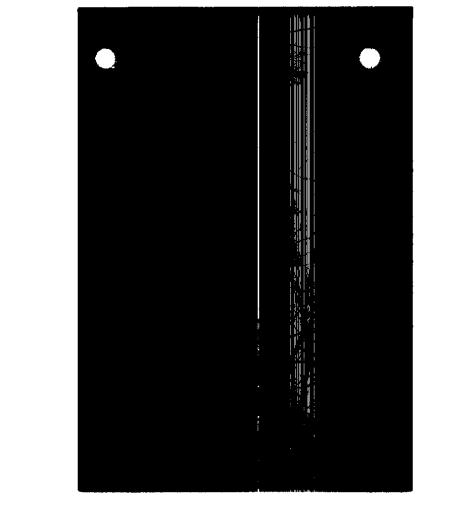
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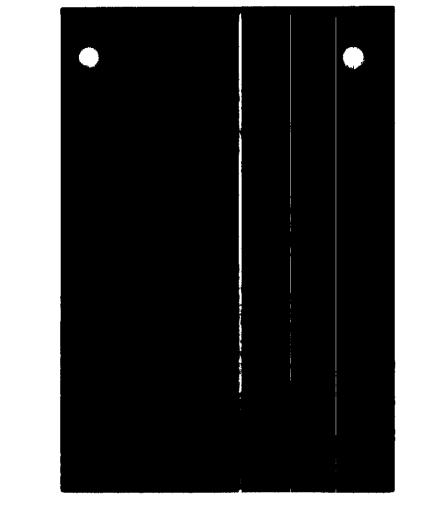
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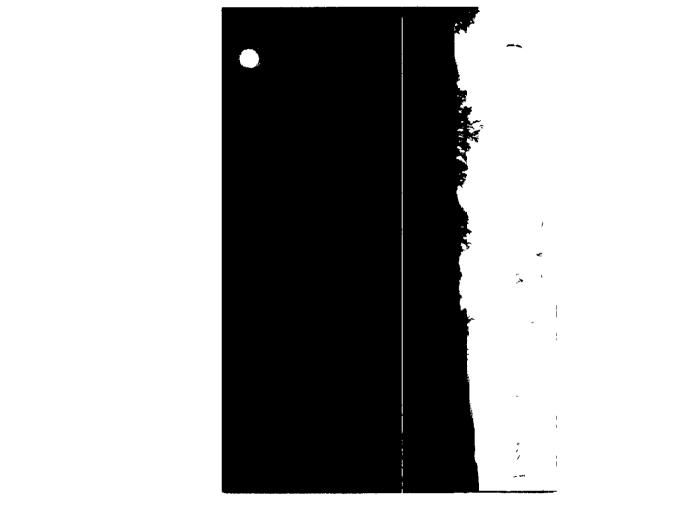
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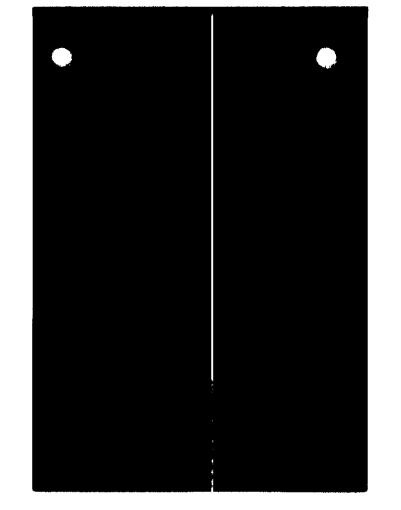
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Agriculture of Stabilization and Conservation Service

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR

TRANSFER OF DECREED WATER RIGHT

NO. 51-00004 IN THE NAME OF THE

BRUNEAU-BUCKAROO COOP. DITCH COMPANY

SOURCE: Bruneau River

COUNTY: Owyhee

MEMORANDUM DECISION AND ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER

On April 15, 1992, the Department of Water Resources (Department) issued a proposed decision in connection with an Application for Transfer filed in the name of the Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Company (applicant) which application involved a portion of decreed right no. 51-00004.

On April 28, 1991, the applicant filed exceptions to the proposed decision. The Department revised Finding of Fact No. 1 to show the changes suggested in the exception.

As a part of its exceptions, the applicant also more explicitly described the place of use which was limited in the proposed decision of the department. Condition No. 5. has been changed to describe the specific place of use.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On March 21, 1991, the Bruneau-Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Company (Company) applied to the Department of Water Resources (Department) to transfer the place of use of a 0.40 cubic feet per second (cfs) portion of decreed water right no. 51-00004, identified as portion "B", from its present location on 20 acres within the SW1/4 SW1/4, Sec. 24, Twp. 6S., Rge. 5E., B.M., (hereinafter Land A) to a location of 20 acres within NE1/4 SW1/4, Sec. 4, and SW1/4 NE1/4 and SE1/4 NW1/4, Sec. 9, Twp. 6S., Rge. 5E., B.M., (hereinafter Land B) to be used for irrigation. Notice of the application was published in the Owyhee Avalanche on May 1 and 8, 1991. On September 12, 1991, the applicant amended Market 1991.

application changing the place of use to a total of 20 acres within the NE1/4SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4 Section 4 and SW1/4NE1/4, SE1/4NW1/4 Section 9, all in T7S, R6E, BM.

- 2. Protests against approval of the application were received from Asa Black and Robert C. Black.
- 3. On August 16, 1991, the Department conducted a conference to discuss the application and review potential resolutions of the protests. The conference did not resolve the concerns of the protestants.
- 4. On September 12, 1991, the Department conducted a field examination of the land from which the water is proposed to be removed and the land to which the water is proposed to be moved. This field examination, and subsequent investigations, resulted in the dissemination of a summary letter to the parties on January 17, 1992.
- 5. On February 26, 1992, the Department held a hearing regarding the application. The applicant was represented by Company president Frank Bachman. Mr. Bachman also is the owner of the property to which the water right is proposed to be moved. Mr. William F. Ringert, attorney at law, represented Mr. Bachman personally. Protestants Asa Black and Robert C. Black were present and represented themselves.
- 6. The protestants raised objections to the proposed transfer by alleging that approval of the transfer would result in:
- (a) enlargement of a water right for which the use has historically been limited; and,
- (b) an adverse impact on existing water rights.In addition, the protestants expressed concerns that:
- (c) the land from which the water is to be removed has not been fully irrigated historically: and,
- (d) the land to which the water is to be moved was not owned by an original shareholder in the Company, and is outside the delivery area of the Company.
- 7. The water right identified in this application, with priority date of April 1, 1897, is commonly referred to as a MEMORANDUM DECISON AND ORDER Page 2

"second priority" water right in the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch.

- 8. Water from the Bruneau Buckaroo ditch is used on property commonly referred to as the "Hutchison Place", located within the E1/2 NE1/4 and NE1/4 SE1/4, Sec. 23, and W1/2 W1/2, Sec. 24, Twp 6 S., Rge. 5 E., B.M. The 4037.5 shares for this water, representing 2.56 cfs of "first priority" water and 0.67 cfs of "second priority" water, are presently owned by Colyer Cattle Company. Decreed water right no. 51-00004, which represents "second priority" water, does not specify a place of use by forty acre tract. Snake River Basin Adjudication claim no. A51-00004 identifies the irrigated acres by forty acre tract within this property. The claimed irrigated acreage in Land A is 15 acres.
- 9. The Bruneau River flows near the southwest corner of Land A. The soil in Land A is classified in two categories, per the 1991 Soil Conservation Service Survey of the Elmore County Area. The northeastern 18 acres are classified as Bram silt loam, which is capable of producing irrigated crops. The depth to the water table during the irrigation season is 36 to 60 inches, within the root depth of some pasture grasses. The Soil Conservation Service has classified the southwestern 22 acres as a channeled Fluvaquent. This soil classification does not specify an irrigation requirement since the depth to the water table is from 18 to 36 inches during the irrigation season, within the root depth of pasture grasses.
- 10. Per testimony and the field visit, irrigation of Land A has consisted of flooding from a ditch that runs from north to south along the east side of the tract. Per testimony, little effort has historically been made to control the flows after they were diverted from the ditch. Flows diverted from the ditch proceeded downslope to the southwest, watering the low areas but not the high areas. The tract is unfurrowed and unleveled.
- 11. Aerial photographs, including a NAPP infrared photograph dated July 31, 1987, demonstrate that some of the northeast portion of Land A is not irrigated. This land is high ground within the tract.
- 12. After deleting high ground not presently irrigated and MEMORANDUM DECISON AND ORDER Page 3

fluvaquent soils which do not benefit from irrigation, irrigated acreage in Land A is computed to be 13 acres.

- 13. Land A has historically been the recipient of wastewater from upland irrigated tracts. This intermittent flow has reduced the amount of water required as direct flow from the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch.
- 14. Land B is located above the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch. This land was traditionally irrigated with ground water, but as the ground water supply has diminished, Mr. Bachman desires to irrigate the land with water from the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch. The sprinkler system presently serving the system has been installed for a number of years. The applicant does not intend to bring new lands under irrigation.
- 15. The soil in Land B is classified as Mazuma fine sandy loam and Garbutt silt loam, both of which have high depths to the water table and are well suited to irrigation.

CONCLUSIONS OF THE LAW

Applicable Legal Principles

- 1. <u>Idaho Code</u>, Sec. 42-222 states in part as follows:
- The director of the department of water resources shall examine all the evidence and available information and shall approve the change in whole, or in part, or upon conditions, provided no other water rights are injured thereby, the change does not constitute an enlargement in use of the original right, and the change is consistent with the conservation of water resources within the state of Idaho and is in the local public interest as defined in section 42-203A(5), Idaho Code;...
- 2. In the case of <u>Jenkins v. State of Idaho</u>, 103 Idaho 384 (1982), the Idaho Supreme Court stated that with respect to reviewing applications for transfer of water rights:
 - ... the director of the Department of Water Resources has jurisdiction to determine the question of abandonment and forfeiture and such is required as a preliminary step to performance of his statutory duty in determining whether or not the proposed transfer would injure other water rights. While ordinarily abandonment or forfeiture are to be determined in a separate proceeding, it is clear that when a water right is sought to be transferred and protestors allege

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that it has been abandoned or forfeited, and to allow resumption of that right would cause some injury, a determination of abandonment or forfeiture is necessary for the performance of his powers of determining injury.

Application of Legal Principles

- 3. The evidence presented in the hearing and in the file indicates that the water right at Land A has been neither forfeited nor abandoned.
- 4. The extent to which water right can be transferred is limited to the extent to which the water right has historically been used on Land A.

ANALYSIS

A primary concern relative to this application is the amount of water that can be allowed to be transferred from Land A to Land B. On one hand, the owner of Land A has sufficient shares of "second priority" water in the Company to irrigate all 20 acres identified in the application. On the other hand, in order to prevent injury to other water rights the Department must ensure that enlargement is not allowed to occur as a result of the transfer.

In this case, two dimensions of enlargement must be reviewed. First, the number of acres irrigated, which represents total consumptive use, must not be increased. Second, the total amount of water diverted must not be allowed to increase. Land A is located near the bottomlands of the river system. A portion of the water supply historically received by the land is wastewater from upper lands. The depth to the water table is generally shallow and much of the plant growth requirement is provided by water table sub-irrigation rather than by applied irrigation.

The diversion requirement from the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch to irrigate an acre of Land B will not be significantly different from the diversion requirement to irrigate an acre of Land A. The efficiency of the irrigation system for Land B is higher than that for Land A so the diversion requirement per acre is lower. A total of 13 acres are found to be transferrable from Land A to Land B.

One concern of the protestants is that a portion of the water

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right is proposed to be placed on land which was not originally owned by a holder of shares in the Company. There is no limitation as to where a ditch company can transfer water based on original ownership of the land. Also, the fact that Land B is located above the ditch does not preclude approval of the transfer.

ORDER

It is ORDERED that Application for Transfer of Water Right No. 51-00004B is HEREBY APPROVED IN PART, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The change authorized by this transfer shall be accomplished within one (1) year of the date of this approval.
- 2. Failure to comply with the conditions of this transfer is cause for the Director to issue an order to show cause why the approval should not be rescinded.
- 3. Approval of this transfer does not preclude the opportunity for review of the validity of the water right in the ongoing Snake River Basin Adjudication.
- 4. Use of water from right no. 51-00004 or the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch is no longer authorized for use on lands within the SW1/4SW1/4 Section 22, Twp. 6S., Range 5E., B.M.
- 5. This transfer authorizes the irrigation of 13 acres at a maximum flow rate of 0.26 cfs. The authorized place of use is 13 acres located as follows:

T7S, R6E, BM

Section 4

NE1/4SW1/4 - 6 acres

SE1/4SW1/4 - 3 acres

Section 9

SW1/4NE1/4 - 3 acres

SE1/4NW1/4 - 1 acre

Dated this 15th day of

, 1992.

R. KEITH HIGELNSON

Director

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TIPLED

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on this ______ day of ______, 1992, I mailed a true and correct copy of the Memorandum Decision and Order postage prepaid to the following:

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STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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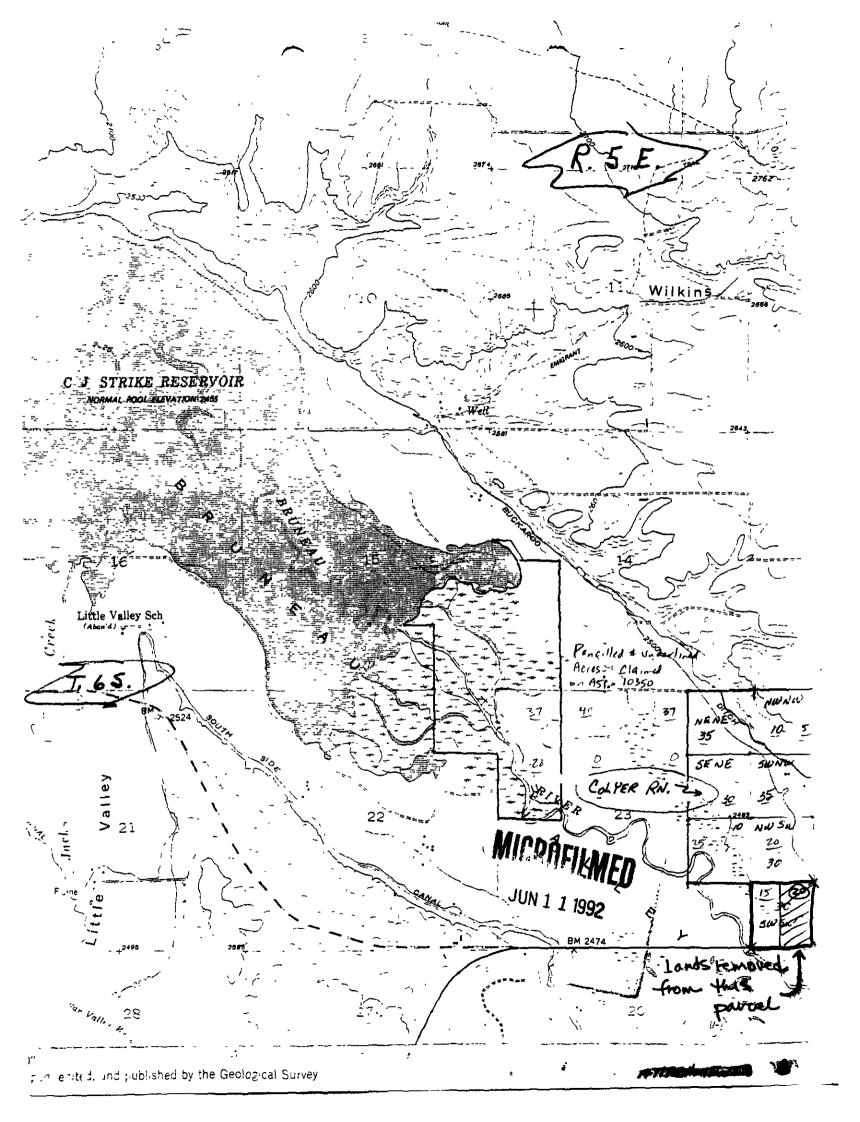
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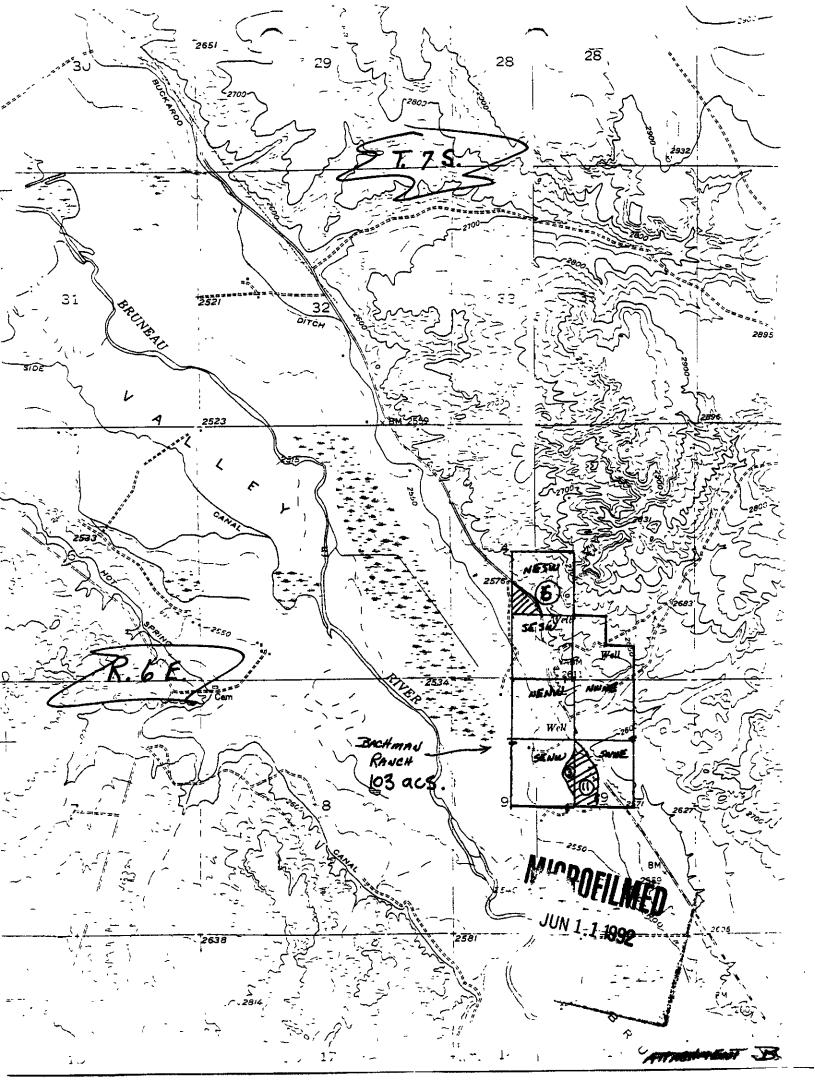
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STATE OF IDAHO **DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT PART 3

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BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT

OF WATER RESOURCES OF THE

STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF DECREED WATER RIGHT NO.51-00004 IN THE NAME OF THE BRUNEAU BUCKAROO COOP. DITCH COMPANY

ORDER ISSUING PROPOSED MEMORANDUM DECISION

Keith Higginson, Director of the Department of Water Resources, having reviewed the attached proposed decision prepared as a proposed decision pursuant to Idaho Code, Sec. 67-5211.

Each party to these proceedings who appeared at the hearing is given the opportunity, pursuant to Idaho Code, Sec. 42-1701A and 67-5211, to file exceptions to the proposed decision and to present briefs and oral arguments. If no timely and proper exceptions are received, an order by the Director will be entered adopting the proposed decision as his final decision.

EXCEPTIONS

- To be considered by the Director, exceptions must:
- be received by the Director on or before the 15th day following the day of service of this Order and the proposed decision,
- specifically identify the portions of the proposed decision to which exceptions are made and specifically state the grounds for those exceptions, and
- be sent to each of the parties who appeared or their attorneys.

II. BRIEFS

- Any briefs in support of exceptions to the proposed decision shall be filed with the Director at the same time that party's exceptions are filed with the Director.
- All response briefs to the exceptions must be filed with the Director within 15 days after the exceptions must be filled with the responding party.

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- A. No oral arguments before the Director on the proposed decision will be held unless specifically requested by a party filing exceptions to the proposed decision and unless that request is filed with the Director concurrently with the filing of that party's exception.
- B. If oral arguments have been properly requested by a party filing exceptions, any other party, upon reasonable notice to the Director, shall have the right to present oral argument in response to the exceptions filed.
- C. Oral arguments before the Director on exceptions to the proposed decision shall be heard at the discretion of the Director, pursuant to Idaho Code, Sec. 42-1701A. If oral agruments are to be heard, the Director will, within a reasonable time, notify each party of the place, date and hour the oral arguments will take place and of the period of time allocated for the arguments of this case. Unless the Director orders otherwise, all oral arguments shall be heard in Boise, Idaho.

IV. CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

All exceptions, briefs, requests for oral argument and other matters filed with the Director in connection with the proposed decision shall be served on all other parties to these proceedings in accordance with Rule 7.2.

V. FINAL DECISION

Following the submission of all exceptions, briefs and oral arguments, if they are heard, the Director shall issue a final decision adopting, modifying or rejecting and replacing the proposed decision. Copies of the decision and order shall be served on all parties.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 15th day of , 1992, I mailed a true and correct copy, postage prepaid, of the foregoing Proposed Memorandum Decision and Order and Order Issuing the Proposed Memorandum Decision to:

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR
TRANSFER OF DECREED WATER RIGHT
NO. 51-00004 IN THE NAME OF THE
BRUNEAU-BUCKAROO COOP. DITCH COMPANY

SOURCE: Bruneau River

COUNTY: Owyhee

PROPOSED MEMORANDUM DECISION AND ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER

BY HEARING OFFICER L. GLEN SAXTON

The Bruneau-Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Company having filed with the Department of Water Resources an Application to Transfer a portion of decreed water right no. 51-00004; protests having been filed; and a conference and hearing having been held, the Department finds, concludes, and orders as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On March 21, 1991, the Bruneau-Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Company (Company) applied to the Department of Water Resources (Department) to transfer the place of use of a 0.40 cubic feet per second (cfs) portion of decreed water right no. 51-00004, identified as portion "B", from its present location on 20 acres within the SW1/4 SW1/4, Sec. 24, Twp. 6S., Rge. 5E., B.M., (hereinafter Land A) to a location of 20 acres within NE1/4 SW1/4, Sec. 4, and SW1/4 NE1/4 and SE1/4 NW1/4, Sec. 9, Twp. 6S., Rge. 5 E., B.M., (hereinafter Land B) to be used for irrigation. Notice of the application was published in the Owyhee Avalanche on May 1 and 8, 1991.
- 2. Protests against approval of the application were received from Asa Black and Robert C. Black.
- 3. On August 16, 1991, the Department conducted a conference to discuss the application and review potential translutions of the protests. The conference did not resolve the conference of the

protestants.

- 4. On September 12, 1991, the Department conducted a field examination of the land from which the water is proposed to be removed and the land to which the water is proposed to be moved. This field examination, and subsequent investigations, resulted in the dissemination of a summary letter to the parties on January 17, 1992.
- 5. On February 26, 1992, the Department held a hearing regarding the application. The applicant was represented by Company president Frank Bachman. Mr. Bachman also is the owner of the property to which the water right is proposed to be moved. Mr. William F. Ringert, attorney at law, represented Mr. Bachman personally. Protestants Asa Black and Robert C. Black were present and represented themselves.
- 6. The protestants raised objections to the proposed transfer by alleging that approval of the transfer would result in:
- (a) enlargement of a water right for which the use has historically been limited; and,
- (b) an adverse impact on existing water rights. In addition, the protestants expressed concerns that:
- (c) the land from which the water is to be removed has not been fully irrigated historically: and,
- (d) the land to which the water is to be moved was not owned by an original shareholder in the Company, and is outside the delivery area of the Company.
- 7. The water right identified in this application, with priority date of April 1, 1897, is commonly referred to as a "second priority" water right in the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch.
- 8. Water from the Bruneau Buckaroo ditch is used on property commonly referred to as the "Hutchison Place", located within the E1/2 NE1/4 and NE1/4 SE1/4, Sec. 23, and W1/2 W1/2, Sec. 24, Twp 6 S., Rge. 5 E., B.M. The 4037.5 shares for this water, representing 2.56 cfs of "first priority" water and 0.67 cfs of "second priority" water, are presently owned by Colyer Cattle Company. Decreed water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority" water and 0.51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no. 51-00004, which represents the second priority water right no.

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priority" water, does not specify a place of use by forty acre tract. Snake River Basin Adjudication claim no. A51-00004 identifies the irrigated acres by forty acre tract within this property. The claimed irrigated acreage in Land A is 15 acres.

- 9. The Bruneau River flows near the southwest corner of Land A. The soil in Land A is classified in two categories, per the 1991 Soil Conservation Service Survey of the Elmore County Area. The northeastern 18 acres are classified as Bram silt loam, which is capable of producing irrigated crops. The depth to the water table during the irrigation season is 36 to 60 inches, within the root depth of some pasture grasses. The Soil Conservation Service has classified the southwestern 22 acres as a channeled Fluvaquent. This soil classification does not specify an irrigation requirement since the depth to the water table is from 18 to 36 inches during the irrigation season, within the root depth of pasture grasses.
- 10. Per testimony and the field visit, irrigation of Land A has consisted of flooding from a ditch that runs from north to south along the east side of the tract. Per testimony, little effort has historically been made to control the flows after they were diverted from the ditch. Flows diverted from the ditch proceeded downslope to the southwest, watering the low areas but not the high areas. The tract is unfurrowed and unleveled.
- 11. Aerial photographs, including a NAPP infrared photograph dated July 31, 1987, demonstrate that some of the northeast portion of Land A is not irrigated. This land is high ground within the tract.
- 12. After deleting high ground not presently irrigated and fluvaquent soils which do not benefit from irrigation, irrigated acreage in Land A is computed to be 13 acres.
- 13. Land A has historically been the recipient of wastewater from upland irrigated tracts. This intermittent flow has reduced the amount of water required as direct flow from the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch.
- 14. Land B is located above the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch. This land was traditionally irrigated with ground water WICRE LIME

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ground water supply has diminished, Mr. Bachman desires to irrigate the land with water from the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch. The sprinkler system presently serving the system has been installed for a number of years. The applicant does not intend to bring new lands under irrigation.

15. The soil in Land B is classified as Mazuma fine sandy loam and Garbutt silt loam, both of which have high depths to the water table and are well suited to irrigation.

CONCLUSIONS OF THE LAW

Applicable Legal Principles

- Idaho Code, Sec. 42-222 states in part as follows:
- The director of the department of water resources shall examine all the evidence and available information and shall approve the change in whole, or in part, or upon conditions, provided no other water rights are injured thereby, the change does not constitute an enlargement in use of the original right, and the change is consistent with the conservation of water resources within the state of Idaho and is in the local public interest as defined in section 42-203A(5), Idaho Code;...
- 2. In the case of <u>Jenkins v. State of Idaho</u>, 103 Idaho 384 (1982), the Idaho Supreme Court stated that with respect to reviewing applications for transfer of water rights:
 - ... the director of the Department of Water Resources has jurisdiction to determine the question of abandonment and forfeiture and such is required as a preliminary step to performance of his statutory duty in determining whether or not the proposed transfer would injure other water rights. While ordinarily abandonment or forfeiture are to be determined in a separate proceeding, it is clear that when a water right is sought to be transferred and protestors allege that it has been abandoned or forfeited, and to allow resumption of that right would cause some injury, a determination of abandonment or forfeiture is necessary for the performance of his powers of determining injury.

Application of Legal Principles

- 3. The evidence presented in the hearing and in the file indicates that the water right at Land A has been neither forfeited nor abandoned.
 - 4. The extent to which water right can be transferred is

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limited to the extent to which the water right has historically been used on Land A.

ANALYSIS

A primary concern relative to this application is the amount of water that can be allowed to be transferred from Land A to Land B. On one hand, the owner of Land A has sufficient shares of "second priority" water in the Company to irrigate all 20 acres identified in the application. On the other hand, in order to prevent injury to other water rights the Department must ensure that enlargement is not allowed to occur as a result of the transfer.

In this case, two dimensions of enlargement must be reviewed. First, the number of acres irrigated, which represents total consumptive use, must not be increased. Second, the total amount of water diverted must not be allowed to increase. Land A is located near the bottomlands of the river system. A portion of the water supply historically received by the land is wastewater from upper lands. The depth to the water table is generally shallow and much of the plant growth requirement is provided by water table sub-irrigation rather than by applied irrigation.

The diversion requirement from the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch to irrigate an acre of Land B will not be significantly different from the diversion requirement to irrigate an acre of Land A. The efficiency of the irrigation system for Land B is higher than that for Land A so the diversion requirement per acre is lower. A total of 13 acres are found to be transferrable from Land A to Land B.

One concern of the protestants is that a portion of the water right is proposed to be placed on land which was not originally owned by a holder of shares in the Company. There is no limitation as to where a ditch company can transfer water based on original ownership of the land. Also, the fact that Land B is located above the ditch does not preclude approval of the transfer.

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ORDER

It is ORDERED that Application for Transfer of Water Right No. 51-00004B is HEREBY APPROVED IN PART, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The change authorized by this transfer shall accomplished within one (1) year of the date of this approval.
- Failure to comply with the conditions of this transfer is cause for the Director to issue an order to show cause why the approval should not be rescinded.
- Approval of this transfer does not preclude 3. opportunity for review of the validity of the water right in the ongoing Snake River Basin Adjudication.
- Use of water from right no. 51-00004 or the Bruneau-Buckaroo ditch is no longer authorized for use on lands within the SW1/4SW1/4 Section 22, Twp. 6S., Range 5E., B.M.
- This transfer authorizes the irrigation of 13 acres at a maximum flow rate of 0.26 cfs.

Hearing Officer

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
WESTERN REGION
2735 Airport Way
Boise, Idaho 83705-5082

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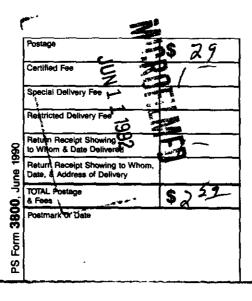


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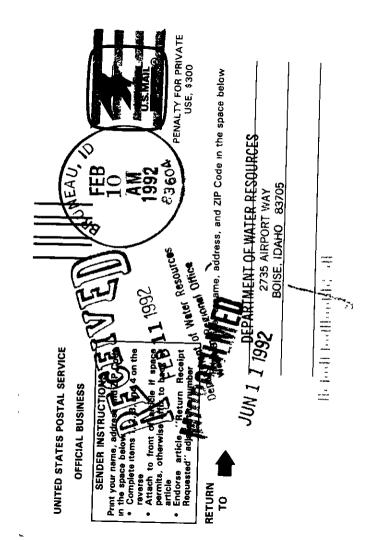
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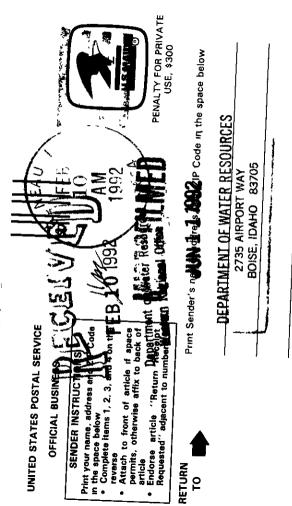


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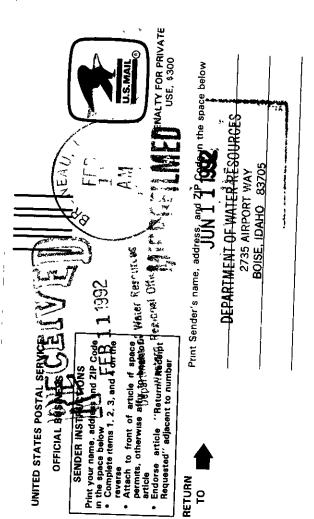
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TO: FILE # 51-00004

FROM: KARI LYNNKET

DATE: MAY 15, 1997

RE: USGS MAPS

CINDY @ WESTERN PHONED TO SAY THAT FRANK BACHMAN WAS IN HER OFFICE AND WANTED TO RETRIEVE THE USGS MAPS THAT HE HAD PROVIDED PRIOR TO THE HEARING THAT TOOK PLACE SEVERAL YEARS AGO. I PULLED THE FILE FROM THE VAULT, FOUND THE MAPS SHE WAS REFERRING TO AND TOLD HER I WOULD HOLD THE FILE AT MY DESK PENDING FRANK'S ARRIVAL. I THEN TOOK THE FILE TO GLEN SAXTON AND EXPLAINED THE SITUATION. HE LOOKED AT THE MAPS AND THE FILE AND TOLD ME IT WAS ALRIGHT FOR FRANK TO TAKE THE MAPS.

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R. KEITH HIGGINSON DIRECTOR

June 4, 1992

Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Company c/o Frank Bachman, President P.O. Box 186
Bruneau, ID 83604

Re: In the Matter of Application for Transfer of Degreed Water Right No. 51-00004B in the name of Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Company

Dear Permit Holder:

Enclosed is a copy of the Final Memorandum Decision and Order in reference to the above mentioned permit.

Any person who does not agree with the decision of the department may request a rehearing before the Director within 20 days, or may appeal directly to the district court within 30 days of the date the decision is mailed.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely

L. GLEN SAXTON

Chief, Water Allocation Bureau

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF DECREED WATER RIGHT NO. 51-00004 IN THE NAME OF THE BRUNEAU-BUCKAROO COOP. DITCH COMPANY

SOURCE: Bruneau River

COUNTY: Owyhee

EXCEPTION TO PROPOSED

DECISION

The Applicant, Bruneau-Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Company, files this Exception to Finding of Fact No. 1 in the Proposed Memorandum Decision and Order Approving Application for Transfer entered in this proceeding on April 15, 1992. Proposed Finding of Fact No. 1 states that the location of the land to which a portion of decreed water right no. 51-00004 is to be transferred is "20 acres within NE1/4 SW1/4, Sec. 4, and SW1/4 NE1/4 and SE1/4 NW1/4, Sec. 9, Twp. 6 S. Rge. 5 E., B.M."

An amended application was filed on or about September 12, 1992, and notice of that amendment was published October 2 and October 9, 1992. Copies of the Application for Transfer of Water Right, Part 1, showing the amendment, and of the Notice of Amendment issued by the Director, are attached.

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Exceptions.

Proposed Finding of Fact No. 1 should be revised to reflect the amendment and the publication of notice of the amendment.

Although Applicant does not necessarily agree with the Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law on which the Hearing Officer has based his Proposed Decision to allow the transfer of only 13 acres of entitlement instead of the 20 acres covered by the application, Applicant and the water users do not desire to make any additional expenditures of time, effort and money in challenging the Proposed Findings and Conclusions. Therefore, in order to bring the application in line with the decision, Applicant requests that the remaining 4 acres, after allowance for 9 acres in the two subdivisions in Section 4, be allocated to 3 acres in the NELSWA and 1 acre in the NELSWA of Section 9, T.

Dated this 28th day of April, 1992.

RINGERT CLARK_ CHARTERED

William F/Ringert

Attorneys' for Applicant



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that service of the within and foregoing Exception to Proposed Decision was made this 28th day of April, 1992, by mailing a copy thereof, postage prepaid, to each of the following:

Frank/Cindy Bachman P.O. Box 186 Bruneau, ID 83604

Terry Black HC Box 104

Robert C. Black P.O. Box 153 Bruneau, ID 83604 Bruneau, ID 83604

Guy Colyer HC 85 Box 881 Bruneau, ID 83604 Ace Black HC 85 Box 101 Bruneau, ID 83604

Bonnie Colyer HC 85 Box 896 Bruneau, ID 83604

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NOTICE OF AMENDMENT FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

No. 51-00004/51-00004B

Notice is hereby given that Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co. have applied to the Department of Water Resources to change the place of use of the water of Bruneau River. The decreed right sought to be changed was previously proposed and advertised as follows:

No. 51-00004B

Amount: .40 cfs

Priority: 4-1-1897

Point(s) of Diversion: T7N, R6E, Sec. 26 SWSW. The water was to be used for irrigation and stockwater purposes on 20 acres belonging to Frank L. Bachman in T7S, R6E, Sec. 4 NESW and Sec. 9 SWNE, SENW.

The applicant now proposes to amend the application by changing the place of use to T7S, R6E, Sec. 4 NESW, SESW and T7S R6E Sec. 9 SWNE; SENW, Owyhee County. All other uses remain unchanged.

(No change in remaining 12.24 cfs in No. 51-00004).

Any protest against the approval of the proposed amended water right change must be filed with the Department of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho 83705 on or before October 21, 1991.

R. Keith Higginson Director

Published in the Owyhee Avalanche on 10/2 and 10/9/1991.



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Irrigated - 13 acres

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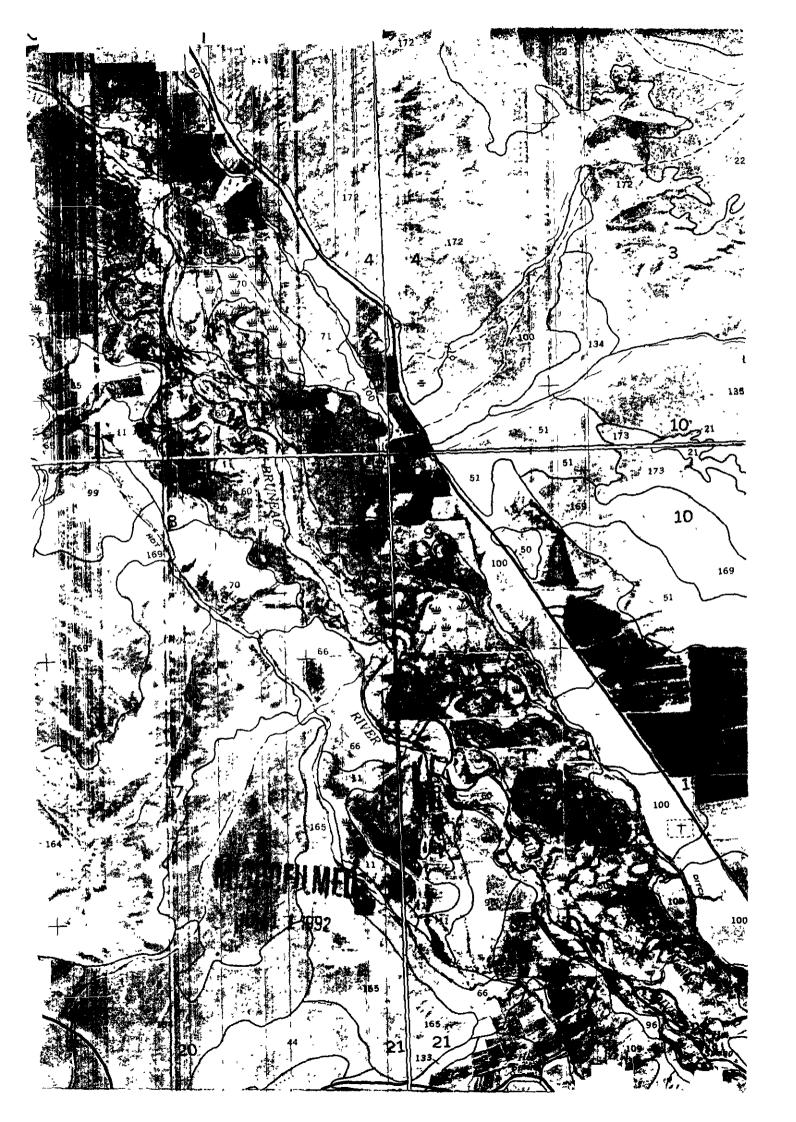
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4 to 36 inches-brown, light yellowish brown, and very pale brown clay loam

36 to 42 inches-very pale brown sandy clay loam 42 to 60 inches-very pale brown sandy loam

Depth class: Very deep grainage class: Well drained Permeability Moderately slow Available water capacity: High

Potential rooting depth: 60 inches or more

Runoff. Slow or medium

Hazard of water erosion: Moderate Hazard of wind erosion: Moderate

Characteristics of the Rock Outcrop

kind of material: Exposed basalt or rhyolite that is fractured in some places

Contrasting Inclusions

Elkcreek soils; Rubble land; soils that have 3 to 15 percent of the surface covered with stones; soils that have slopes of more than 12 percent

Use and Management

Major use: Rangeland

Major management factors: Available water capacity. stones on the surface, depth to bedrock, hazard of water erosion, areas of Rock outcrop

Dominant vegetation in potential natural plant community. Gaib soil—low sagebrush, bluebunch wheatgrass: Simonton soil-mountain big sagebrush, Idaho fescue, bluebunch wheatgrass

General management considerations:

- · Forage production is limited mainly by the depth to bedrock in the Gaib soil.
- · The Juitability of this map unit for range seeding is 'air Seeding is limited by the depth to bedrock in the halb soil and by the areas of Rock outcrop.
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Interpretive Groups

· and capability classification: Gaib soil—VIIs, nonirrigated; Simonton soil—Ille, nonirrigated, Rock JIIV-qorotuc

Finder to Gaib soil—Shallow Stony Loam, 12- to 16-

inch precipitation zone; Simonton soil-Loamy, 12to 16-inch precipitation zone

65—Garbutt silt loam, 0 to 4 percent slopes Composition

Garbutt soil and similar inclusions-80 percent Contrasting inclusions-20 percent

Setting

Position on landscape: Basalt plains, drainageways, fan terraces

Elevation: About 2,800 feet

Average annual precipitation: About 7 inches

Average annual air temperature: About 52 degrees F

Frost-free season: About 140 days

Characteristics of the Garbutt Soil

Typical profile:

0 to 5 inches—light brownish gray silt loam 5 to 60 inches-light gray very fine sandy loam

Depth class: Very deep Drainage class: Well drained Permeability: Moderate Available water capacity: High

Potential rooting depth: 60 inches or more

Runoff: Slow

Hazard of water erosion: Slight Hazard of wind erosion: Moderate

Contrasting Inclusions

Mazuma and Dors soils, drained Grandview soils, Bahem and Hawsley soils

Use and Management

Major uses: Rangeland, irrigated cropland, homesites in a few areas

Major management factors: Hazard of wind erosion, low precipitation

Rangeland

Dominant vegetation in potential natural plant community: Winterfat, Indian ricegrass

General management considerations:

- Forage production is limited mainly by low precipitation.
- The suitability of this map unit for range seeding is poor. Seeding is limited by low precipitation.

- Suitable irrigation methods are sprinkler, furrow, and corrugation systems.
- Leveling is needed in sloping areas for efficient application and removal of irrigation water.
- Surface drains are needed to remove tailwater if surface irrigation is used.
- Regulating the applications of irrigation water helps to control runoff and erosion.
- Returning crop residue to the soil, regularly adding manure, rotating crops, and keeping tillage at a minimum increase the water intake rate and improve tilth.
- Keeping sprinkler irrigation rates at a minimum, keeping tillage at a minimum, returning crop residue to the soil, and regularly adding manure reduce surface crusting.
- The hazard of wind erosion is reduced by maintaining crop residue on the surface and keeping the surface of the soil rough.

Building site development

General management considerations:

- Excavation can expose soil material that is highly susceptible to wind erosion, and it increases the risk of water erosion.
- Limited soil strength adversely affects the quality of roadbeds and road surfaces.

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification: lle, irrigated; VIIc, nonirrigated

Range site: Silty, 7- to 10-inch precipitation zone

66—Garbutt silt loam, 4 to 8 percent slopes Composition

Garbutt soil and similar inclusions—75 percent Contrasting inclusions—25 percent

Setting

Position on landscape: Basalt plains, fan terraces

Elevation: About 2,700 feet

Average annual precipitation: About 7 inches

Average annual air temperature: About 52 degrees F

Frost-free season: About 140 days

Characteristics of the Garbutt Soll

Typical profile:

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Depth class: Very deep

Drainage class: Well drained

Permeability: Moderate

Available water capacity: High

Potential rooting depth: 60 inches or more

Runoff: Slow or medium

Hazard of water erosion: Moderate

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Contrasting Inclusions

Mazuma, Power, Royal, Hawsley, and Dors soils; soils that have slopes of less than 4 percent

Use and Management

Major uses: Rangeland, irrigated cropland
Major management factors: Hazard of water erosion,
hazard of wind erosion, low precipitation

Rangeland

Dominant vegetation in potential natural plant community Shadscale, bud sagebrush, Indian ricegrass, Thurber needlegrass

General management considerations:

- Forage production is limited mainly by low precipitation.
- The suitability of this map unit for range seeding is poor. Seeding is limited by low precipitation.

Cropland

General management considerations:

- Most climatically suited crops can be grown if irrigation water is provided.
- The best suited irrigation method is a sprinkler system.
- Regulating the applications of irrigation water helps to control runoff and erosion.
- Returning crop residue to the soil, regularly adding manure, rotating crops, and keeping tillage at a minimum increase the water intake rate and improve tilth.
- Keeping sprinkler irrigation rates at a minimum, keeping tillage at a minimum, returning crop residue to the soil, and regularly adding manure reduce surface crusting.
- Keeping tillage at a minimum and maintaining a clode surface reduce the hazard of water erosion.
- The hazard of wind erosion is reduced by maintaining crop residue on the surface, keeping tillage at a minimum, and keeping the surface of the soil rough.

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification: Ille, irrigated; VIIe, nonirrigated

Range site: Calcareous Loam, 7- to 10-inch precipitatic zone

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100 Mazuma fine sandy loam, 0 to 4 percent slopes

Composition

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on landscape: Low stream terraces, fan ...aces

About 2,500 feet

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Characteristics of the Mazuma Soil

10 4 inches-pale brown fine sandy loam

1 to 33 inches-light gray and very pale brown fine sandy loam

3 to 40 inches-very pale brown sandy loam

10 to 60 inches-very pale brown loam

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Contrasting Inclusions

" wsley Garbutt, Dors, Davey, and Vanderhoff soils; soils that are moderately well drained; soils that are strongly saline

Use and Management

Minor uses, Irrigated cropland, rangeland Major management factors: Hazard of wind erosion, salinity, risk of seepage, low precipitation

Rangeland

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ominant vegetation in potential natural plant community: Black greasewood, basin wildrye, inland saltgrass heneral management considerations:

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A risk of seepage limits the construction of livestock hatering ponds and other water impoundments.

Cropland

General management considerations:

- Production of irrigated crops is limited by salinity and the hazard of wind erosion.
- Suitable irrigation methods are sprinkler, furrow, and corrugation systems.
- Leveling is needed in sloping areas for efficient application and removal of irrigation water.
- · Surface drains are needed to remove tailwater if surface irrigation is used.
- Regulating the applications of irrigation water helps to avoid overirrigating and the leaching of plant nutrients.
- Returning crop residue to the soil, regularly adding manure, rotating crops, and keeping tillage at a minimum increase the water intake rate and improve tilth.
- · Keeping sprinkler irrigation rates at a minimum, returning crop residue to the soil, and regularly adding manure reduce surface crusting.
- Maintaining crop residue on the surface, planting field windbreaks, keeping tillage at a minimum, and keeping the surface of the soil rough reduce the hazard of wind erosion.
- Returning crop residue to the soil, carefully applying irrigation water, applying gypsum, leaching out the salts, applying sulfur or sulfuric acid, and growing green manure crops reduce the content of salts

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification: Ille, irrigated; VIIe, nonirrigated

Range site: Saline Bottom, 8- to 12-inch precipitation zone

101-Mazuma-Hawsley complex, 0 to 12 percent slopes

Composition

Mazuma soil and similar inclusions-40 percent Hawsley soil and similar inclusions-35 percent Contrasting inclusions—25 percent

Settina

Position on landscape: Drainageways, fan terraces

Elevation: About 2,600 feet

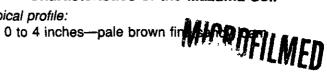
Average annual precipitation: About 7 inches

Average annual air temperature: About 52 degrees F

Frost-free season: About 145 days

Characteristics of the Mazuma Soil

Typical profile:



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Application for Transfer of Warer Rt. No. 51-00004B Bruneau - Buckaroo Ditch Co Hearing on 2/26/1992 Notes by D. TURA:11

In Attendance: Bob Black > Protestants Asa Black

Brineau - Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co. Frank Backman - Pres Bul Ringert - Atty

Question: Validity of Water right already wet 1. Enlargement 2. Impact on existing rights

Frank Bachman

President of Bruneam- Buckaroo Ditch Co.

Warer right to be transferred is second priority Location receiving water - identified by Carts 7.1.

Location from which water is to be taken - identified by Cert 123

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Property purchased from Ronald Hutchinson

Frank Bachman (cont.)

— Ruestion? What type of irrigation system? (Answered below)

Evidence of System on photos?

Chance of Sub-irrigation as opposed to surface irrigation?

Grasses Fescue, Rye, Camery Reed, Orchand

In Sw Corner of tract there is a wetland, × 7-8 acres of 40

Grasses will not grow without irrigation

2000 (b/acre forage

700 (b/avm = 2.8 Aum/acre

8 acres of metland within 40 acre parcel

5 acres of Argland

5 years ago! land was placed in a ditch on the NE Corner

Up: until then, weth was placed in a ditch on the NE Corner

New with gated pipe, plug in pipe is removed and flooding occurs.

**The whole 40 acre tract is to be dried up to provide 20 ac of water.

Water enters properly in NE Corner. Supply ditch is along

E Side of property

Feeder ditch from

Willow trees flows toward south

Doesn't the "supply ditch" flow to the south? Yes

Enlargement? No - no add' water used at new Maggin

Questions: Ditch maintained? (Minimally)

Chance of 500-irrigation?

What percentage & water requirement is provided by

I've flour VS. Wastewater? Vaknown

How many acros do you suggest are irrigated?

What has been a typical irrigation regimen? (Inches/days)

Which years has this regimen accurred?

X Exam - 20 mare a cres / 20 more inches will adequately irrigate the ranch at upper lands

Quartin: How much transfer credit can be allowed for live flow, when wastewater provides much of the flow?

Mention in decision

* I sove raised by Bob Black - lands to which water is too be placed the outside boundary. This is acceptable for a Ditch Company.

Cindy Bachman

Guy Colyer - Co-Owner of Colye Cattle Co.

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" We won't receive a reduction from the transfer." (by Colyer)

Russians: Earlier years - 30 acros + parture

How many acres now?

Ray Colyer Corn, the down the ditch

In recent years 30 years acrest have been 111.941 1 1992

Terry Black

Does not believe the pictures show the true irrigation

- Movement of water will constitute injury

- Guy Colliers' testimony no reduction in water

Ace Black

This ground will Still be wet after the transfer - Expansion can occur if ground continues to be wet

Bob Black

· Protests placing vater on I round outside the Bruneau Brekaroo Ditch Co ground.

IDWR to propose a decision.

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Re: Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Co., 57-7522

Place: IDWR, 1301 N. Orchard, Boise, ID

Date: February 26, 1992

Hearing conducted by: Glen Saxton

ROSTER OF ATTENDANCE

Name	Address	Representing
FRANK L. BACHMAN	P.O. BOX 186 BRUNEAU, I	D. 83604 SELF
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W.F. RINGERT	P.O. Box 2773 BOSE, ID	APPLICANT
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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

OF THE

STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION

FOR TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT

NO. 51-00004B IN THE NAME OF

BRUNEAU BUCKAROO COOP. DITCH CO.

NOTICE OF HEARING

On March 21, 1991, Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co. filed with the Department of Water Resources an Application for Transfer of Water Right No. 51-00004B in the name of Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co. The application was protested by Asa Black and Robert C. Black and a conference was held by the Department on August 16, 1991.

The Department has now set the matter of protest for a hearing to be held on Wednesday, February 26, 1992, at 1:00 p.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room, Department of Water Resources, 1301 N. Orchard St., Boise, Idaho 83706. The hearing will be held in accordance with provisions of Chapters 2 and 17, Title 42, and Chapter 52, Title 67, of the Idaho Code, the adopted Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Department of Water Resources, and Rules 4 and 5 of the adopted Rules and Regulations of Water Appropriation of the Department



of Water Resources. Opportunity shall be afforded all parties to respond and present information and argument on all issues involved.

DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR., P. E. Manager, Western Regional Office

I hereby certify that on the 7th day of february, 1992, I mailed a true and correct copy, postage prepaid, of this document to the applicant(s) and protestant(s) listed:

Sue Taylor Secretary

Certified Mail

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CONFERENCE AND HEARING PROCEDURE

IN THE MATTER OF A PROTESTED APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER

In accordance with IDAHO CODE, Section 42-222, the following issues are involved in the consideration of the application and protest(s):

- 1) Are other water rights injured by the transfer?
- 2) Does the change constitute enlargement in the use of the original water right?
- 3) Is the change consistent with the conservation of water resources within the state of Idaho?
- 4) Does the change conflict with the local public interest?

BURDEN OF PROOF

The Applicant has the initial burden of proof on issues 1,2, & 3 above, that is, the applicant has the burden of coming forward with evidence for evaluation of those criteria.

The initial burden of proof on issue 4, local public interest, lies with the both the applicant and protestant as to factors which they are most knowledgable and cognizant of. The applicant has the ultimate burden of persuasion with respect to this issue.

PROCEDURE

The procedure normally followed by the department in arriving at a decision on the issues which must be considered is to first hold a conference in the matter and then, if necessary, hold a hearing. If a hearing is held a written decision is issued based on the hearing record.

CONFERENCE

Preliminary to holding a hearing, a pre-hearing conference is held to to familiarize the department and the parties with the matter and to determine if a resolution of the protest(s) is possible without the need for a hearing.

At the conference the department may formulate and simplify the issues, obtain admissions of fact and of documents which will avoid unnecessary proof, arrange for the exchange of proposed exhibits or prepared expert testimony prior to the hearing, limit the number of witnesses, consolidate the examination of witnesses, and advise the parties of the

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procedure which will be followed at any subsequent hearing.

HEARING

Any party may request in writing five (5) days before any hearing that the oral proceedings thereof be taken in the form of stenographic notes at the expense of the requesting party. Any party may have such stenographic notes of the oral proceedings, or part thereof, transcribed at his own expense. A taped record of the proceedings will be maintained for the appeal period.

If the hearing is conducted by a hearing officer appointed by the Director, rather than the Director himself, a proposed decision will be issued and the parties will be afforded the opportunity to file exceptions to the proposed decision and present briefs and oral arguments to the Director prior to the issuance of a final decision by the Director. This procedure is required by IDAHO CODE, Section 42-1701A.

The parties by written stipulation, may waive their right to a proposed decision, however, the failure of either party to waive a proposed decision will not predjudice the director's review of a party's evidence and arguments. However, such a waiver will shorten the decision making process and may expedite substantially the issuance of a final decision. Whether compliance with Section 42-1701A is waived will not affect a party's right to petition for a rehearing of the final decision pursuant to rule 11 of the Department's Rules of Practice and Procedure or affect a party's right to appeal the final decision to the District Court.

Under the provisions of the IDAHO CODE, Sections 42-1701A and 67-5215, any court review of the department's decision on appeal shall be confined to the record created before the department.

EFFECT OF FAILURE TO APPEAR AT A CONFERENCE OR HEARING

Failure to appear at the time and place set for a conference or hearing by the applicant or protestant(s) may allow the department to dismiss without predjudice the protest(s) or the application. Any and all cost incurred by reason of such non-appearance may be assessed against such non-appearing parties.





State of Jaho DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho 83705-5082 - (208) 334-2190

CECIL D. ANDRUS
GOVERNOR

January 17, 1992

R. KEITH HIGGINSON DIRECTOR

Distribution: See Attached List

RE: Protested Application for Transfer in the Name of Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co., Water Right No. 51-00004B

Dear Interested Party:

At the water right conference in the above-referenced matter held on August 16, 1991, we determined that the Department should conduct a field examination of the land to which and from which the water right is proposed to be transferred. Accordingly, on September 12, 1991, I conducted a field examination, accompanied by representatives of both the applicant and the protestants. The purpose of this letter is to document the results of both the field examination and the subsequent investigation of related information.

The first topic of the field examination was the land to which the water right is proposed to be transferred. At the conference there had been a difference of opinion regarding the location prior to the installation of a sprinkler system of the gravity flow ditch at the north end of the property, within the E1/2 SW1/4, Sec. 4, T 7 To confirm the location of the original ditch I S, R 6 E, B.M. established an elevation measuring point on the east side of the original ditch at a point just north of the section line, within the SE1/4 SW1/4, Sec. 4, T 7 S, R 6 E, B.M. From this point I used a Lietz CE3 Self-Leveling Level to take readings on a rod positioned by Mr. Richard Strickland, beginning at a point 234 feet to the south and proceeding along the ditch to the north. The measurements demonstrate that the original ditch veered to the northeast at a point about 610 feet north of the instrument location, in the direction of the NW corner of the SE1/4SW1/4, This coincides with a line between two fields on an aerial photo that was reviewed at the conference. The irrigated area upland from this line has been measured to be 3 acres within the SE1/4SW1/4, and 6 acres within the NE1/4SW1/4, Sec. 4. These acres are considered to have been added to the field at the time the sprinkler system was installed.

Other lands to which the water right is proposed to be moved are located within the SW1/4NE1/4 and SE1/4NW1/4 Sec. 9 of the same township. These lands were originally quantified as 11 acres in the SW1/4NE1/4 and 3 acres in the SE1/4NW1/4. I have reviewed these lands on: ASCS photos in the file; an infrared NAPP photograph dated July 31, 1987; the orthophotoquads dated 1974; and as a part of the field inspection. It appears that the 3 acres in the SE1/4NW1/4 are correct, and the acres within the SW1/4NE1/4

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Thus, based on the field should be reduced by one, to 10. examination and subsequent review it appears that the total area requiring an additional water right is 22 acres.

The second topic of the field examination was the land from which the water right is proposed to be removed. Information utilized in making a preliminary determination in this regard includes: the on-site field examination of September 12, 1991; mapping products consisting of an infrared NAPP photo dated July 31, 1987, an orthophotoquad dated 1974, and an undated ASCS aerial photo from the SCS file; review of the SCS file with William E. Vetten, District Conservationist; the soil map from the 1991 SCS Soil Survey of Elmore County Area; the IDWR water right data base; and information regarding tax assessments of the property as provided by the Owyhee County Assessor's office. Based on this information, my preliminary assessment is that the Department will consider allowing credit for the transfer of irrigation water from the six (6) acres within the NE corner of the SW1/4SW1/4 Sec. 24 to the new This determination is based primarily on the place of use. following indicators:

- The soil in the NE corner of the SW1/4SW1/4 is classified as Bram silt loam, which is capable of producing irrigated crops.
- Grasses in this quadrant appear to be to some extent introduced rather than natural.
- Evidence in the area of irrigation is limited to extensions of existing systems from the upland irrigated fields.
- Close examination of infrared photography suggests that these lands have been irrigated to a limited extent.

As this time the above information is offered for your review and analysis. Because of the numerous reference items, and the fact that some of the items are in color, copies of the information have not been distributed but instead those individuals that are further interested in examining the information are invited to visit the Western Regional Office of the Department at 2735 Airport Way in Boise to review the file.

In order to continue the processing of this file in a timely manner, please conduct any file reviews no later than February 5, At that time the Department will poll the applicant and the protestants as to whether the above determination is acceptable or whether, in the alternative, the Department needs to conduct a hearing in aid of preparing a formal decision in this matter.

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Bruneau-Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co. Application for Transfer

Again, the information in this letter is not intended to be a formal Department determination but rather is a preliminary determination based on the information that has been assembled to date. If you have questions regarding either the information presented herein or future actions regarding this application please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

David P. Tuttully.

David R. Tuthill, Jr., P.E. Manager, Western Regional Office

cf: State Office Protest Drawer

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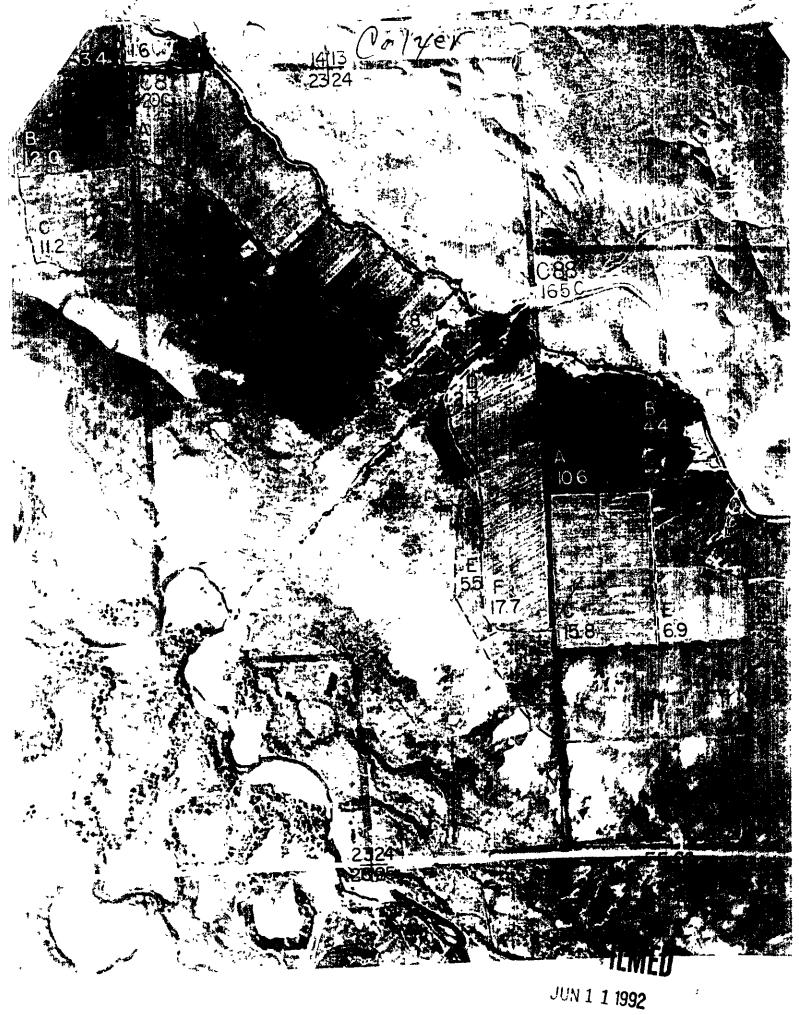
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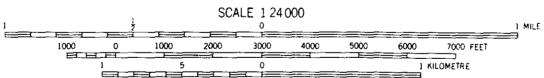
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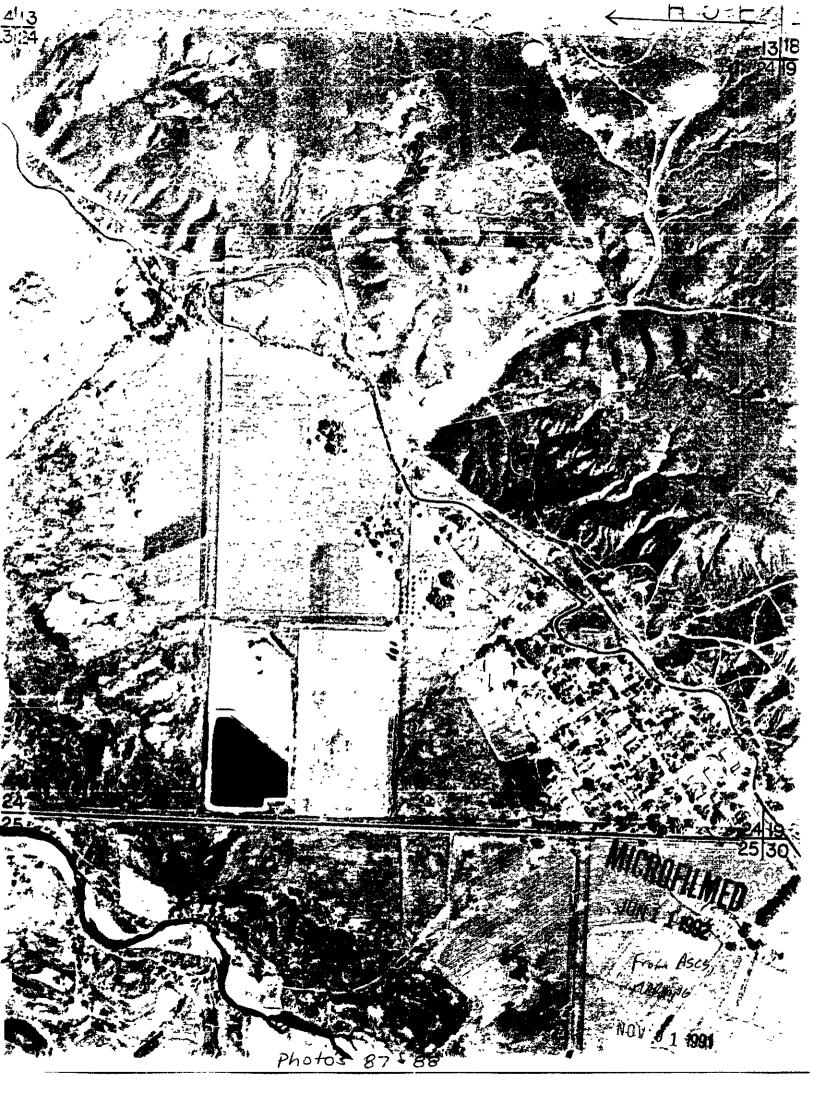
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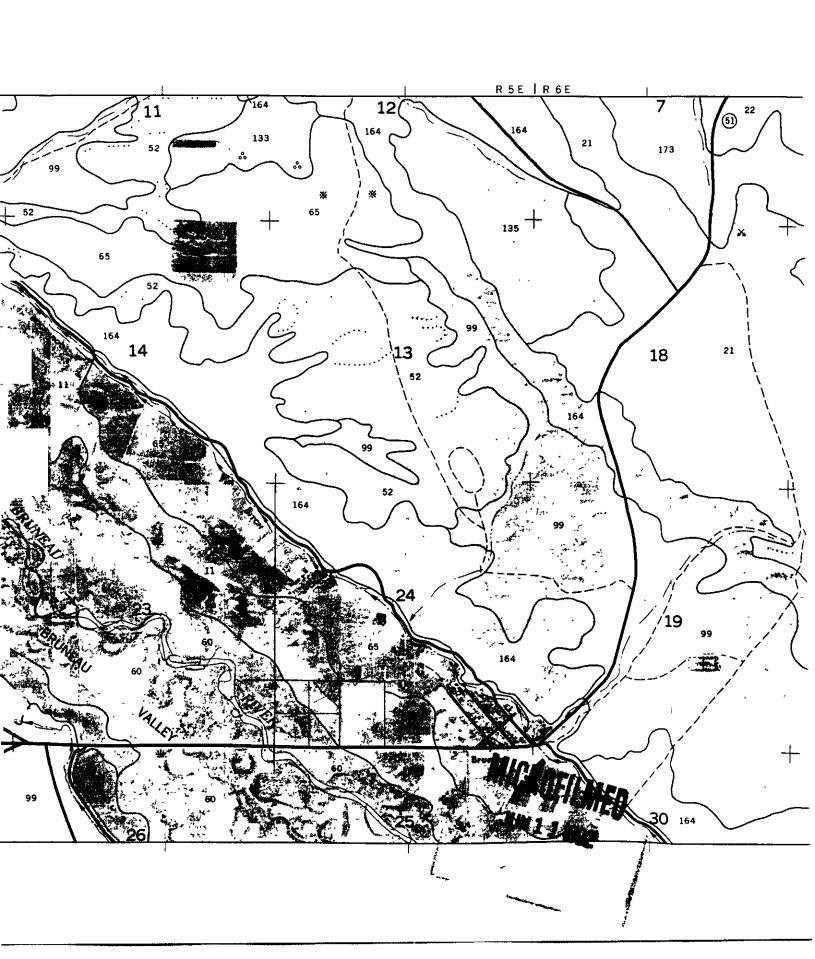
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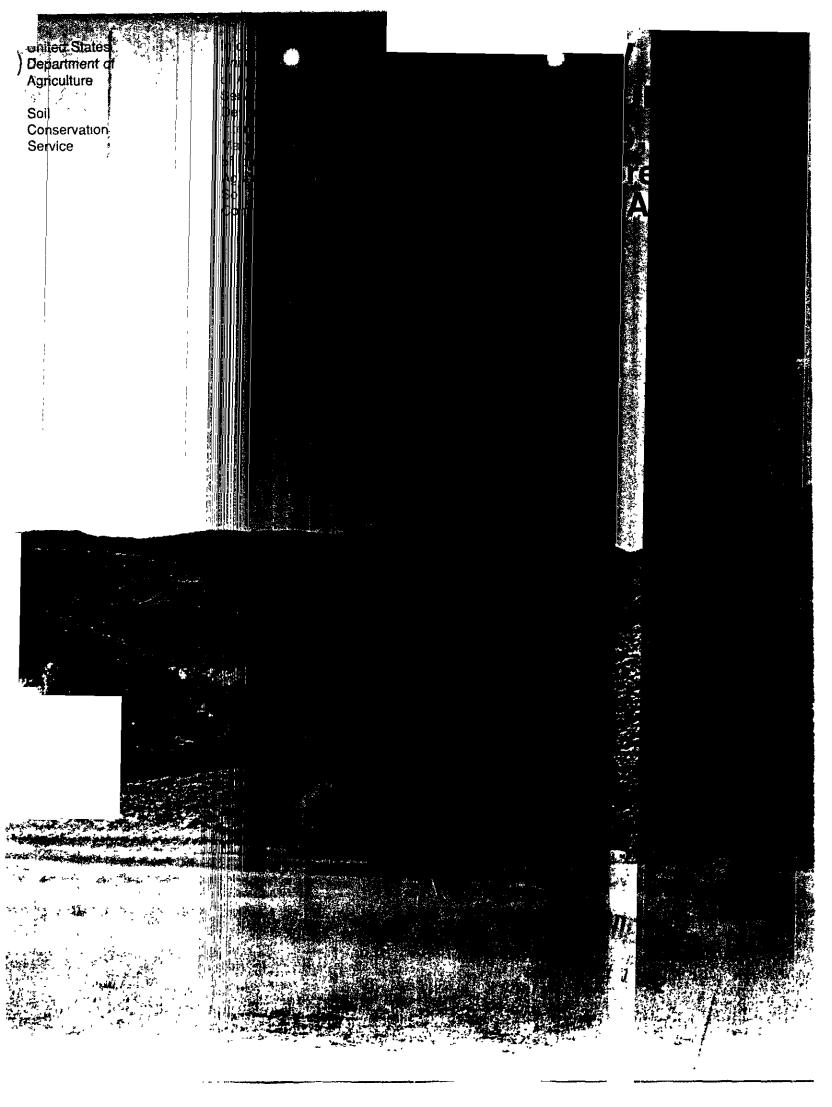
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L SURVEY OF ELMORE COUNTY AREA, IDAHO, PARTS OF ELMORE, OWYHEE, AND ADA COUNTIES -





This soil survey is a publication of the National Cooperative Soil Survey, a joint effort of the United States Department of Agriculture and other federal agencies, state agencies including the Agricultural Experiment Stations, and local agencies. The Soil Conservation Service has leadership for the federal part of the National Cooperative Soil Survey.

Major fieldwork for this soil survey was completed in 1985. Soil names and descriptions were approved in 1986. Unless otherwise indicated, statements in this publication refer to conditions in the survey area in 1985. This survey was made cooperatively by the Soil Conservation Service; the Forest Service; the Bureau of Land Management; the University of Idaho, College of Agriculture; and the Idaho Soil Conservation Commission. It is part of the technical assistance furnished to the Elmore and Bruneau River Soil Conservation Districts.

Soil maps in this survey may be copied without permission. Enlargement of these maps, however, could cause misunderstanding of the detail of mapping. If enlarged, maps do not show the small areas of contrasting soils that could have been shown at a larger scale.

All programs and services of the Soil Conservation Service are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status, or handicap.

Cover: View looking south from High Prairle. Brinegar loam, 0 to 4 percent slopes, is under native pasture in the foreground, and Roanhide, Bauscher, Schoolhouse, and Oland soils are on the hills. Pockets of quaking aspen are on Demast soils.

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- Water-tolerant plants should be grown unless drainage is provided
- · Salt-tolerant grasses can be grown
- Subsurface drains can be used to reduce wetness if suitable outlets are available.

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification: Illw, irrigated and

nonirrigated

Range site: Semiwet Saline Meadow

11-Bram silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes

Composition

Bram soil and similar inclusions—85 percent Contrasting inclusions—15 percent

Setting

Position on landscape: Flood plains, stream terraces

Elevation: About 2,400 feet

Average annual precipitation: About 7 inches

Average annual air temperature: About 53 degrees F

Frost-free season. About 145 days

Characteristics of the Bram Soil

Typical profile:

0 to 28 inches-very pale brown silt loam

28 to 36 inches—very pale brown very fine sandy loam

36 to 45 inches-very pale brown silt loam

45 to 65 inches—white loam

Depth class: Very deep

Drainage class: Somewhat poorly drained

Permeability: Moderately slow Available water capacity: Moderate

Restriction affecting rooting depth: Water table at a depth of 36 to 60 inches from April through

November Runoff: Slow

Hazard of water erosion: Slight Hazard of wind erosion. Moderate

Depth to water table: 36 to 60 inches from April through November: more than 60 inches the rest of the year

Frequency of flooding: Rare Salinity: Moderately saline

Contrasting Inclusions

Baldock, Bramwell, and Letha soils; soils that are moderately well drained, soils that are strongly saline

Use and Management

Major uses: Irrigated cropland, homesites in a few areas Minor use: Livestock grazing in a few small areas (less than 10 percent of the map unit) that support native vegetation

Major management factors: Hazard of wind erosion, frost heaving, permeability, salinity, wetness

Cropland

General management considerations:

- Production of irrigated crops is limited by the seasonal high water table and by salinity.
- Suitable irrigation methods are sprinkler, furrow, and corrugation systems.
- Leveling is needed in sloping areas for efficient application and removal of irrigation water.
- Providing drainage is difficult in some areas because of poor outlets.
- If suitable outlets are available, subsurface drains can be used to remove excess water and leached salts.
- Salt-tolerant crops can be grown if the content of salts in the soil is reduced by leaching.
- Surface drains are needed to remove tailwater if surface irrigation is used.
- Regulating the applications of irrigation water helps to prevent a rise in the level of the water table and an increase in the concentration of salts and sodium in the soil.
- Returning crop residue to the soil, regularly adding manure, rotating crops, and keeping tillage at a minimum increase the water intake rate and improve tilth.
- Keeping sprinkler irrigation rates at a minimum, keeping tillage at a minimum, returning crop residue to the soil, and regularly adding manure reduce surface crusting.
- The hazard of wind erosion is reduced by maintaining crop residue on the surface, keeping tillage at a minimum, and keeping the surface of the soil rough.
- Returning crop residue to the soil, carefully applying irrigation water, providing adequate drainage, applying gypsum, leaching out the salts, applying sulfur or sulfuric acid, and growing green manure crops reduce the content of salts.

Building site development

General management consideration:

• Septic tank absorption fields can be expected to function poorly because of the seasonal high water table.

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-vpical profile:

0 to 9 inches—grayish brown and dark grayish brown loam

9 to 12 inches-brown clay loam

12 to 25 inches—light yellowish brown and pale brown sandy clay loam

25 to 37 inches—very pale brown coarse sandy

37 to 60 inches—very pale brown loamy coarse sand

Depth class: Very deep Drainage class: Well drained Permeability: Moderately slow Available water capacity: High

Potential rooting depth: 60 inches or more

Runoff Medium or rapid

Hazard of water erosion: Severe

Contrasting Inclusions

Rainey and Lankbush soils; Van Dusen soils on northfacing side slopes and toe slopes; Schoolhouse soils on ridgetops; Rock outcrop

Use and Management

Major use: Rangeland

Major management factors: Available water capacity, hazard of water erosion, slope, low precipitation Dominant vegetation in potential natural plant community: Farrot soil—mountain big sagebrush, bluebunch wheatgrass, Haw soil—Wyoming big sagebrush, bluebunch wheatgrass

General management considerations:

- Forage production is limited mainly by low precipitation
- The use of forage by livestock is limited by the slope.
- The suitability of this map unit for range seeding is poor Seeding is limited by the slope and low precipitation.
- The use of equipment is limited by the slope.

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification: VIe, nonirrigated
Range site: Farrot soil—Loamy, 12- to 16-inch
precipitation zone; Haw soil—Loamy, 10- to 12-inch
precipitation zone

60—Fluvaquents, channeled

Composition

Fluvaquents and similar inclusions—80 percent Contrasting inclusions—20 percent

Setting

Position on landscape: Flood plains

Elevation: About 2,500 feet

Average annual precipitation: About 7 inches

Average annual air temperature: About 53 degrees F

Frost-free season: About 145 days

Characteristics of the Fluvaquents

Slope: 0 to 1 percent Representative profile:

0 to 5 inches—light brownish gray clay loam

5 to 7 inches—light brownish gray loam

7 to 18 inches—light brownish gray loamy sand

18 to 31 inches—light gray fine sandy loam
31 to 60 inches—light olive gray and light gray silt

loam

Depth class: Very deep

Drainage class: Poorly drained or somewhat poorly

drained

Permeability: Slow to moderately rapid Available water capacity: Low to high

Restriction affecting rooting depth: Water table at a depth of 18 to 36 inches from April through November

Runoff: Very slow

Hazard of water erosion: Slight Hazard of wind erosion: Moderate

Depth to water table: 18 to 36 inches from April through November; more than 36 inches the rest of the year

Frequency of flooding: Occasional

Salinity: Slightly saline

Other characteristics: Channels that are 10 to 20 feet wide and 2 to 4 feet deep throughout the map unit

Contrasting Inclusions

Baldock, Letha, Bram, and Bramwell soils, Riverwash; soils that have slopes of more than 1 percent; soils that are moderately well drained; soils in abandoned meander loops that have a thick, dark upper layer

Use and Management

Major uses: Hayland, pasture

Major management factors: Flooding, wetness

General management considerations:

• Wetness limits the choice of plants and the period of cutting or grazing.

Providing drainage is difficult because of poor outlets.

 If suitable outlets are available, subsurface drains can be used to remove excess water and leached salts.
 Water-tolerant plants should be the provided.

Applying gypsum, leaching out the salts,

adding manure reduce the content of salts.

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification: Vw, nonirrigated

61—Gaib-Rubble land complex, 40 to 80 percent slopes

Composition

Gaib soil and similar inclusions-45 percent Rubble land—40 percent Contrasting inclusions-15 percent

Setting

Position on landscape: Canyonsides, foothills

Elevation: About 4,500 feet

Average annual precipitation: About 15 inches Average annual air temperature: About 45 degrees F

Frost-free season: About 80 days

Characteristics of the Gaib Soil

Percent of rock fragments on the surface: 5 to 15 percent stones

Typical profile:

0 to 4 inches-brown very stony fine sandy loam

4 to 12 inches-brown very gravelly loam

12 inches—unweathered bedrock

Depth class. Shallow

Drainage class. Well drained Permeability: Moderate

Available water capacity: Low

Potential rooting depth. 10 to 20 inches

Runoff: Rapid

Hazard of water erosion: Severe

Characteristics of the Rubble Land

Kind of material. More than 90 percent loose surface

stones

Contrasting Inclusions

Elkcreek, Simonton, and Bauscher soils on toe slopes and foot slopes; Rock outcrop; soils that have slopes of less than 40 percent

Use and Management

Major use: Rangeland

Major management factors: Stones on the surface, areas of Rubble land, depth to bedrock, hazard of

water erosion, slope

Dominant vegetation in potential natural plant community: Gaib soil-mountain big sagebrush, bluebunch wheatgrass

General management considerations:

- Forage production is limited mainly by the slope, the stones on the surface, and the depth to bedrock.
- The use of forage by livestock is limited by the slope and by the stones on the surface.
- The suitability of this soil for range seeding is poor. Seeding is limited by the slope and by the stones on the surface.
- · The use of equipment is limited by the slope and by the stones on the surface
- · Installation of pipelines is limited by the slope and the depth to bedrock.

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification: VIIe, nonirrigated Range site: Fractured South Slope, 12- to 16-inch precipitation zone

62—Gaib-Elkcreek-Rock outcrop association, 2 to 20 percent slopes

Composition

Gaib soil and similar inclusions-40 percent Elkcreek soil and similar inclusions-30 percent Rock outcrop—15 percent Contrasting inclusions—15 percent

Setting

Position on landscape Foothills Elevation. About 5,400 feet

Average annual precipitation: About 15 inches Average annual air temperature: About 42 degrees F

Frost-free season: About 65 days

Characteristics of the Gaib Soil

Position on landscape: Ridges, side slopes

Percent of rock fragments on the surface: 1 to 3 percent stones

Typical profile:

0 to 4 inches-brown stony fine sandy loam 4 to 12 inches-brown very gravelly loam 12 inches—unweathered bedrock

Depth class: Shallow

Drainage class: Well drained Permeability: Moderate Available water capacity: Low

Potential rooting depth. 10 to 20 inches

Runoff: Slow or medium

Hazard of water erosion: Moderate

Characteristics of the Elkcreek Soil

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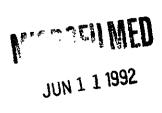
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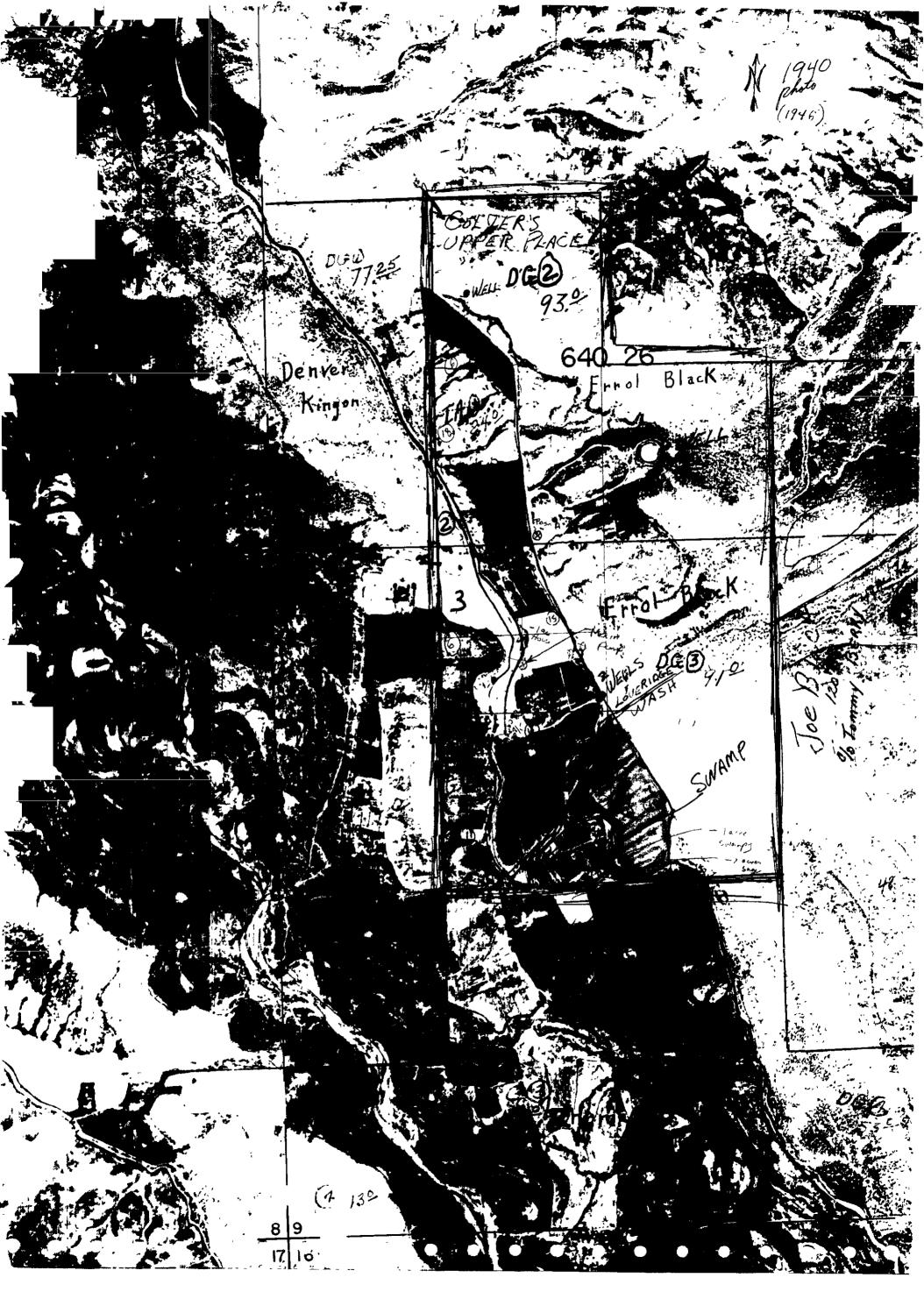
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NOTICE OF AMENDMENT FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

No. 51-00004/51-00004B

Notice is hereby given that Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co. have applied to the Department of Water Resources to change the place of use of the water of Bruneau River. The decreed right sought to be changed was previously proposed and advertised as follows:

No. 51-00004B

Amount: .40 cfs

Priority: 4-1-1897

Point(s) of Diversion: T7N, R6E, Sec. 26 SWSW. The water was to be used for irrigation and stockwater purposes on 20 acres belonging to Frank L. Bachman in T7S, R6E, Sec. 4 NESW and Sec. 9 SWNE, SENW.

The applicant now proposes to amend the application by changing the place of use to T7S, R6E, Sec. 4 NESW, SESW and T7S R6E Sec. 9 SWNE, SENW, Owyhee County. All other uses remain unchanged.

(No change in remaining 12.24 cfs in No. 51-00004).

Any protest against the approval of the proposed amended water right change must be filed with the Department of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho 83705 on or before October 21, 1991.

R. Keith Higginson Director

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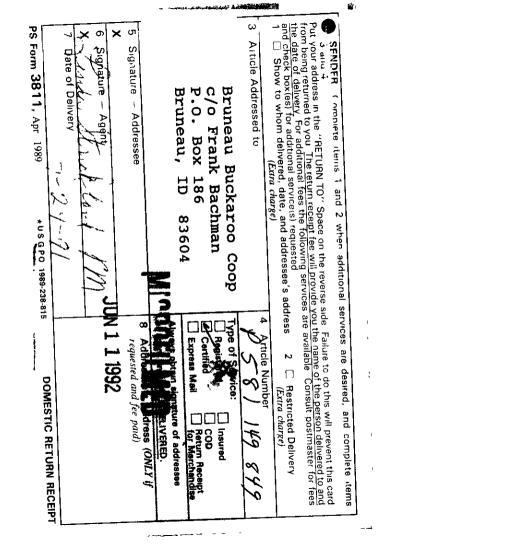
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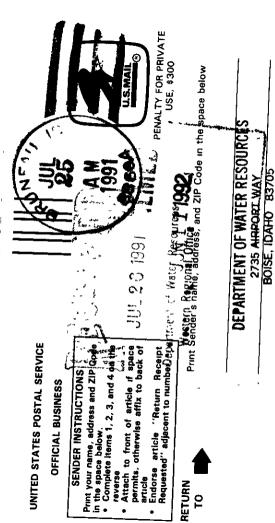
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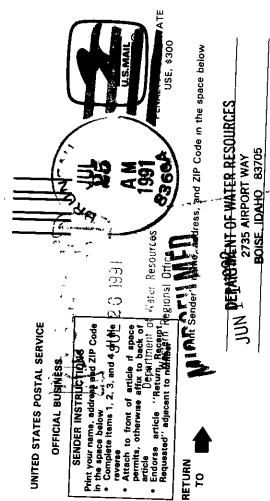
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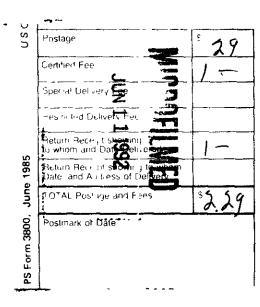
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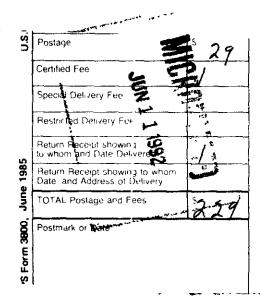
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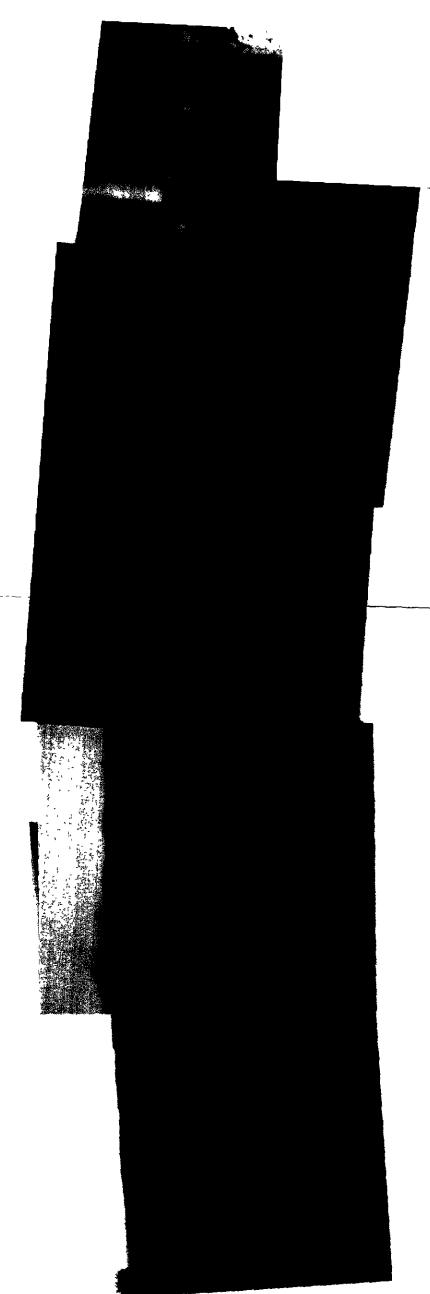
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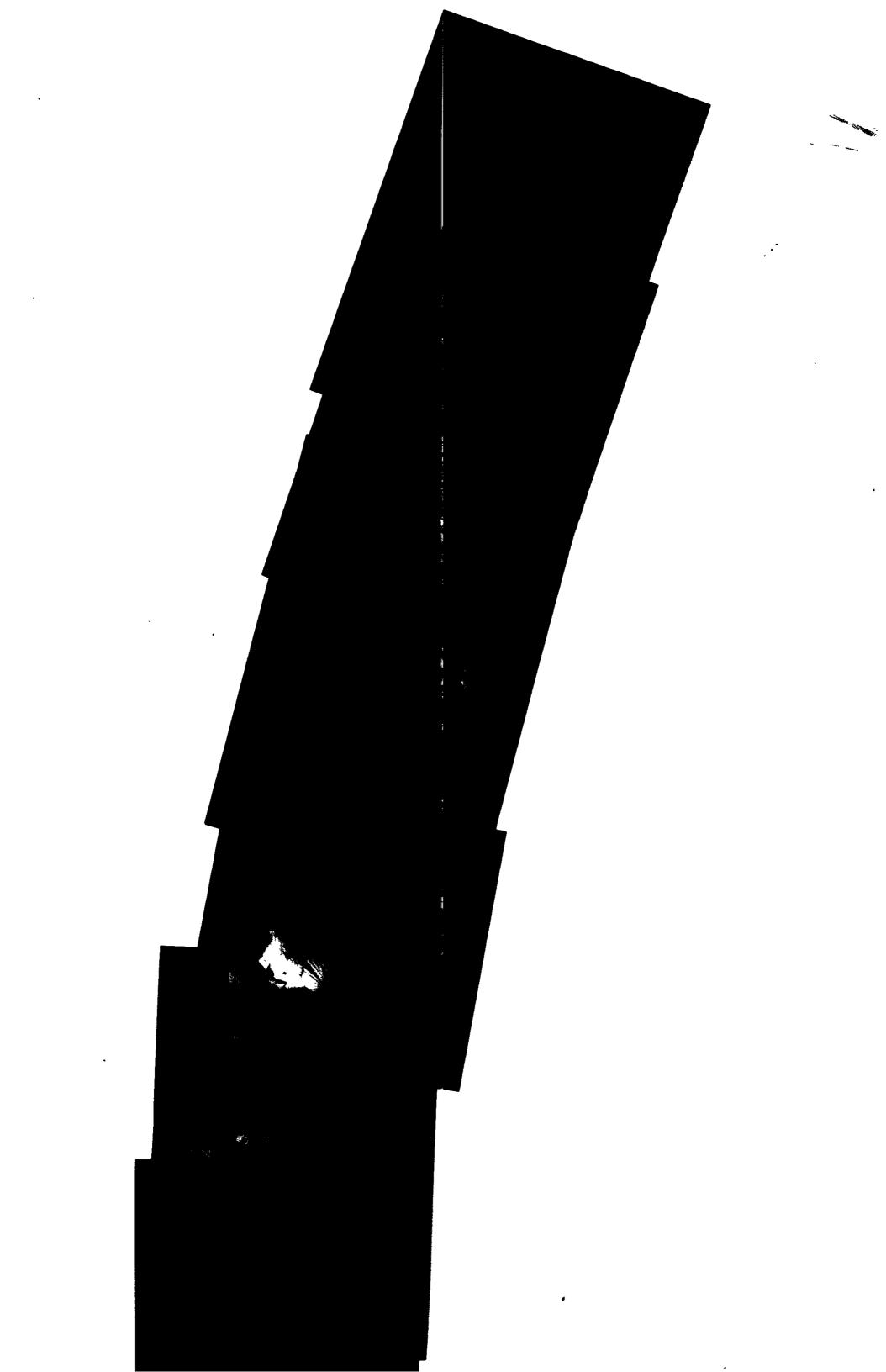
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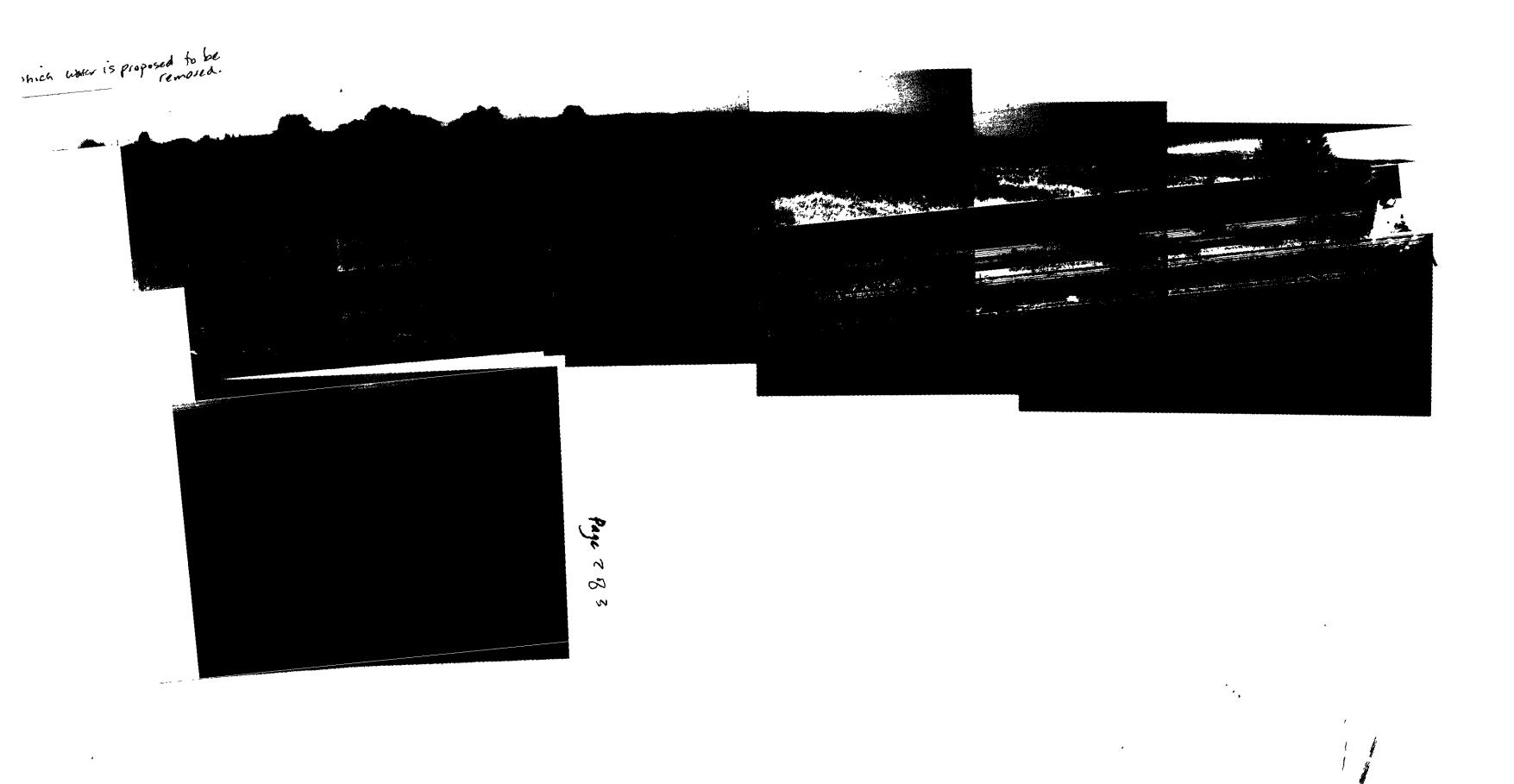
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State of Jaho DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho 83705 - (208) 334-2190

CECIL D. ANDRUS

GOVERNOR

August 20, 1991

R. KEITH HIGGINSON

DIRECTOR

Distribution: See Below

RE: Protested Application for Transfer of Water Right No. 51-00004B in the Name of the Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Company

Dear Interested Party:

As we discussed in the Conference in this matter dated August 16, 1991, the next step toward resolution is for the Department to conduct a field examination to determine the following:

- 1. The location and nature of lands to which the water right is proposed to be transferred, and
- 2. The location and nature of the lands from which the water right is proposed to be transferred.

The examination will include an on-site map review, and a brief land elevation review utilizing a Department level.

All parties who attended the conference are invited to attend this field review, which is scheduled to be conducted on Thursday, September 5 at 9:00 am, starting at the "Upper Colyer Place" to which the water right is proposed to be transferred.

Sincerely,

David R. Tuthill, Jr., P.E.

Manager, Western Regional Office

Interested Parties: Asa Black, Robert Black, Terry Black, Tony Black, Ray Colyer, Guy Colyer, Frank and Cindy Bachman, Dick Strickland

Delayed telephonically by one week to 9/12/91. (Medical energency)

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App for Transfer of WAY Rt 51-0004 B Conf
Notes by D. Tuthill 8/16/91
Elmore Co Courthouse

Applicant represented by Frank Bachman, Pres, Ditch Co

Protestants represented by Asa Black
Robert Black
Terry Black (Son of Asa)

Applicant:

This app is filed in response to concerns raised in 1989 relative to use of water above the ditah.

Bob Black 1. Concerned about placing water on land that did not have decided water per the George Craig book

2. Well water has been drying up.

3. Does not want water it established per adj.

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1. What could be irrigated by gravity flow prior to sprinkly system?

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2 Water was lost in wells when upstream well was installed? (after 1977) First.

Flows dry up ofter July now.

Tonduct a field review of (a) lands now irrigated, (b) land to be dried up, of Transit/Level

Re: Bruneau Buckaroo Coop.

Place: Elmore County Courthouse, 150 S. 4th E. St. E., Mtn Home, ID

Date: August 16, 1991

Hearing conducted by: David R. Tuthill, JR.

ROSTER OF ATTENDANCE

Name	Address	Representing
Usu Black	HC 85 Box 10/Burson	0 00 10 1
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Terry Black	HC 85 Box 104 Bruneau	
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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION	NO.
FOR PERMIT NO. 51-00004B IN THE	NO.
NAME OF BRUNEAU BUCKAROO COOP.	
DITCH CO.	<u>L</u>

TICE OF CONFERENCE

On March 21, 1991, Bruneau Buckaroo Coop. Ditch Co., filed with the Department of Water Resources an application for transfer of water right no. 51-00004B. The application was protested by Asa Black and Robert C. Black.

The Department has set the matter of protest for a conference on Friday, August 16, 1991, at 10:00 a.m., at the Elmore County Courthouse, 150 S. 4th St. E., Mountain Home, ID The conference will be held in accordance with provisions of Chapters 2 and 17, Title 42, and Chapter 52, Title 67, of the <u>Idaho Code</u>, the adopted Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Department of Water Resources, and Rules 4 and 5 of the adopted Rules and Regulations of Water Appropriation of the Department of Water Resources. Opportunity shall be afforded all parties to respond and present information and argument on all issues involved.

Dated this 23rd day of July

DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR., P. E.
Manager, Western Regional Office

I hereby certify that on the 33 day of 1991, I mailed a true and correct copy, postage prepaid, of this document to the applicant(s) and protestant(s) listed:

Sue Taylor Secretary

Certified Mail

Bruneau Buckaroo Coop. Ditch Co. c/o Frank Bachman, Pres. P.O. Box 186
Bruneau, ID 83604

Asa Black HC 85 Box 101 Bruneau, ID 83604

Robert C. Black P.O. Box 153 Bruneau, ID 83604

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CONFERENCE INFORMATION IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF AN PROPOSED TRANSFER

In accordance with <u>Idaho Code</u>, Section 42-222, the following issues are involved in the consideration of the application and protest:

- Will the proposed transfer, if approved, injure other water rights?
- 2. Will the proposed transfer, if approved, constitute an enlargement in use of the original right?
- 3. Is the proposed transfer in the local public interest as defined in Section 42-203A, <u>Idaho Code</u>?

Any party may request in writing five (5) days before any hearing that the oral proceedings thereof be taken in the form of stenographic notes at the expense of the requesting party. Any party may have such stenographic notes of the oral proceedings, or part thereof, transcribed at his own expense. A taped record of the proceedings will be maintained for the appeal period.

If the hearing is conducted by a hearing officer appointed by the Director, rather than the Director himself, a proposed decision will be submitted to the parties and the parties may be afforded an opportunity to file exceptions to the proposed decision and present briefs and oral arguments to the Director prior to the issuance of a final decision by the Director. This procedure is required by <u>Idaho Code</u>, Section 42-1701A.

The parties by written stipulation may waive their right to a proposed decision, however, the failure of either party to waive a proposed decision will not prejudice the Director's review of a party's evidence and arguments. However, such a waiver will shorten the decision-making process and may expedite substantially the issuance of a final decision. Whether compliance with Section 42-1701A is waived will not affect a party's right to petition for a rehearing of the final decision pursuant to Rule 11 of the Department's Rules of Practice and Procedure or affect a party's right to appeal the final decision to the district court.

Failure to appear at the time and place set for hearing by the applicant(s) or protestant(s) may allow the Department to dismiss without prejudice the protests or the application. Any and all cost incurred by reason of such non-appearance may be assessed against such non-appearing parties.





State of Jaho DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho 83705 - (208) 334-2190

CECIL D. ANDRUS

June 7, 1990

GOVERNOR

Bruneau Buckaroo Coop. Ditch Co. c/o Frank Bachman, Pres. P.O. box 186

R. KEITH HIGGINSON

DIRECTOR

Bruneau, ID 83604

Application for Transfer No. 51-00004B in the name of Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co.

Dear Applicant:

This office acknowledges receipt of two protests to the approval of the above-referenced application for transfer. following are the principle items we can consider with respect to either approving or denying an application for transfer:

- Are other water rights injured by the transfer? 1.
- Does the change constitute an enlargement in the use of the original right?
- Will the proposed change conflict with the local public interest?
- Will the proposed use be contrary to conservation of water resources within the state of Idaho?

The Department suggests you contact the protestant(s) directly in an effort to determine what is proposed by the application and to attempt to resolve the protest.

If this office has not been advised within twenty (20) days that the protest has been resolved, the matter will be scheduled for conference. At the conference, the Department will review possibilities for resolution of the protest. If the matter cannot be resolved at that time, a formal hearing will be arranged for a future date.

If we may be of assistance, please contact us.

Sincerely,

DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR., P.E.

Manager, Western Regional Office

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June 7, 1991

GOVERNOR

Asa Black HC 85 Box 101 Bruneau, ID 83604 R. KEITH HIGGINSON

DIRECTOR

Robert C. Black P.O. Box 153 Bruneau, ID 83604

Application for Transfer No. 51-00004B in the name of

Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co.

Dear Protestants:

This office acknowledges receipt of your protest to the approval of the above-referenced application for transfer. following are the principle items we can consider with respect to either approving or denying an application for transfer:

- 1. Are other water rights injured by the transfer?
- Does the change constitute an enlargement in the use of the original right?
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Manager, Western Regional Office

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May 17, 1991

Dave Tuthill, Manager IDWR Western Region 2735 Airport Way Boise, ID 83703

Mr. Tuthill:

This letter is in protest of the transfer of 0.4 cfs from 20 acres in SWSW S24, T6S, R5E, as evidenced by water right # 51-00004. This water is carried through the Buckaroo Ditch.

The 20 acres described in this transfer on the original right are mostly swamp and greasewood. The top of the parcel does receive some waste water from the Frank Bachman home ranch in addition to the water proposed to be transferred.

The transfer also proposes an illegal transfer of Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Co. water onto land that is not in the jurisdiction of the Ditch Company's adjudicated water.

The use of the shareholders' (Colyer or Bachman) water on this land since 1981 has been illegal and unauthorized. There is currently a protest on record with the Water Resource Board in the Snake River Basin Adjudication on this ground. There is also a protest filed dated May 11, 1989 against the illegal and unauthorized use of this water. Copies of both are attached.

I would also like to include in this protest a letter to the Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Co. dated Jan. 8, 1990 that will more clearly show the problems and history of this water use. (See paragraphs 2, 4, 5, 6, and 11.)

Until this matter is cleared up, I request the issuance of a cease and desist order in accordance with Idaho Code 42-351.

Sincerely,

Aša Black

Shareholder, Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch

MICRIFILMED JUN 1 1 1992 TO: The Buckaroo Ditch Company and The State Of Idaho's Department of Water Resourse

I ask the Bruneau Ditch Co. for legal protection from the directors past and present. I Protest, and do Prostest to the State of Idaho's Department of Water Resourse, the New Proposed Resolutions and Polices for the Bruneau Backaroo Ditch Company.

page 2 Res. #2

1,

- Claim to easement on private property of 50 feet. I protest because, only a verbal use has ever been granted.
- page 3 Res. #3
- 2. Shall serve as the basis for making & filing the notice of claim for the Buckaroo Ditch Co. in the Snake River I protest because, of the Bruneau Basin Adjudication. River Adjudication.
- 3. Futher resolved, that the element of water rights as stated above (proposed resolutions & polices of Bruneau Ditch Co.) shall be deemed to represent the actual historical delivery and use of water diverted from the Bruneau River and delievered through the Buckaroo Ditch. I protest because, it does not represent the actual historial delivery and use of the Bruneau River Adjudication of shareholders. This states the true purpose. The rest of the new resolutions are political to achieve this plan.
- pagu 4&5 reamble
- The attempt to control where shareholders decreed water can go and determine what land it can go on. I protest because, it is not the business of the Ditch Co., it is the business of the State of Idaho. Old by-laws and Comnany records require water to be measured at 4 inch head when control is needed on the ditch.
- 5. Illegal use of Bruneau River Judicated water. I protest because the new resolution will allow the irrigation of property which can come under Snake River Basin adjudication, but not the adjudication of Bruneau River water that has been decreed to Shareholders prior to 1925.

In my opinion these new resolutions circumvent the by-laws and certificate records. They allow the directors complete control without requard of law and equity.

Robert C. Black

Shareholder

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May 11, 1989

Mr. R. Keith Higginson, Director Idaho Department of Water Resources 1301 North Orchard Boise, Idaho 83706

Dear Mr. Higginson:

On August 11, 1988, Mr. Ringert, The Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Company's lawyer, in a letter to the Water Resources, applied the law to the use of water above the canal.

Using his letter, I am protesting the illegal and unauthorized use of shareholders water on the Colyer Upper Place, (see description on enclosures).

The ditch company holds water rights from the Bruneau River as specified in the decree entered in the case of Grandview Irrigation District vs. Bruneau Buckaroo Co-operative Ditch Company, et al. Bonnie Colver and her husband are stockholders in the ditch company. The water right in question is evidenced by Stock Certificate nos. 292 and 293, according to the information furnished to me by the ditch company. A copy of the ditch company's record with respect to the water rights under certificate nos. 292 and 293 are enclosed.

I hereby request that you immediately undertake an investigation of the use by Colyers of the water under their first, second and third priorities on lands lying above the ditch company's canal, and that a cease and desist order be issued to Colyers under the provisions of Idaho Code 42-351, requiring that they cease applying water under the first, second, and third priority water rights, on lands lying above the canal.

You are also requested to impose an administrative penalty of \$100.00 per day against Colyers for any diversions made after service of the cease and desist order.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours trulv.

Oca Plack

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Board of Directors & Shareholders Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Co.

Information on this proposal, in part, will be compiled from copies of letters received from the Department of Water Resource Board including Bill Ringert's letter of August 30, 1988; Bonnie Colyer's letter of August 15, 1988 and Dave Tuthill of the Department of Water Resource letter of July 18, 1989 to this Board of Directors.

Madam Chairman:

- The following proposal will have copies of some paragraphs from Dave Tuthill's letter of July 18, 1988 to make the points I feel the Shareholders should be aware of and can request immediate action.
- Even though the ditch company's description of the place of use might include the lands above the ditch, no water right is established as far as the state or other water users are concerned until the water is applied to benificial use on the land for which the water right is asserted. (Ringert Aug.30,1988)

 "An investigation of the Department relative to the water rights that exist on the Colyer Upper Place resulted in the identification of the following water rights:
 - A. Claim to a Water Right No. 51-04048, Priority Date:1912 Flow claimed: 50" .10 cfs, 122 degrees F temp. Place of Use: 8 acres in SWNE, 20 acres in NENW, 20 acres in SENW, Sec.9; 22 acres in SESW Sec. 4, TWP 7s, RGE. 6E.
 - B. Claim to a Water Right No. 51-04049, Priority Date: April 1916 Flow claimed: 74" 1.48 cfs, 120 degrees F Temp Place of Use: Same as for 51-04048 For a total of 79", 70 acres covered by well water".
- Quote from Bonnie Colyer's letter of August 15, 1988 to Dave Tuthill; "The ranch up Hot Springs Road has a pump and sprinkler system. This system was installed and in operation since March of 1981."
- It appears that 1981 established the date that ditch water was put to beneficial use by pumping to all lands above th ditch already covered by water rights #51-04048 0.10 cfs and #51-04049-1.48 cfs or 79 " for 70 acres; including lands that were not previously irrigated from the ditch.

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- This apprears to be an illegal and unauthorised use of Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch water, as no transfer took place after 1969, (the year the law began to require written transfers) and was done without the approval of the Sharehoulders in 1981.
- "The preliminary finding of the Department in this regard is that the records of the Company do support the Colyer contention that there was historically some limited water wheel irrigation above the ditch on the Colyer Upper Place. However, it appears that the amount of irrigation presently occurring above the ditch is in excess of that which historically occurred."
- In a letter dated April 20, 1989, addressed to Cheryl Whiteside, President of the Company, Frank L. Bachman requested a change in point of diversion and place of use of water delivered by the Bruneau Buckaroo Canal system. The proposal was to move 50 miner inches (1.0 cubic feet per second) of water from the present place of use near the end of the ditch to a new place of use on the Colyer Upper Place. This proposal is part of a proposed exchange involving the Idaho Department of Fish & Game and Idaho Power Company. The exchange anticipates a transfer of Bruneau River water from Mr. Bachman's present place of use near the river, to be used for wildlife purposes in Borden Lake next to C.J. Strike Reservoir.
- In a letter dated May 7, 1989, Ms. Whiteside responded that the Board of Directors, after holding an informational meeting of the shareholders of the Company, voted unanimously approval of the tranfer. Subsequently, on May 25, 1989, Mr. Bachman submitted to the Department, an application for transfer of water from his property in Sec. 23, Twp. 6S, Rge. 5E, B.M., to Borden Lake. This application will be advertised on July 19 and 26, and the final date for protests will be August 7, 1989. An application for transfer in the name of Idaho Power Company for the change in place of use of lands irrigated via the Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch to the Colyer Upper Place has been drafted, but has not been received in signed form by the Department.
- At this time, Frank Bachman's request for transfer, has been withdrawn for the time being. It is possible that that particular water right could be invalid under Idaho Code 42-222(2), if he tries to transfer in this type of trade for Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch water.
- At the April 28, 1989 special shareholder's meeting, I agreed with Frank that the upper Colyer Ranch was short ofwater and that I would not object to a legal transfer of legal water, but it appears that this particular water swap cannot be done legally.
- To my knowledge, in reference to my letter of complaint of May 11, 1989, the Board of Directors have not complied to the recommendations of Dave Tuthill, Department of Resources, and may be facing issuance of a cease and desist order in accompanies with Idaho Code 42-351, contingent on compliance with recommendations "1" through "4" of his letter to Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Light July 18, 1989.

Since the present Board of Directors took no action to comply with the recommendations of Dave Tuthill, I propose the new Board take immediate action to comply with those recommendations before the irrigating season starts. In view of the present Drought conditions, the water outlook could be far below normal for the Aucoming season.

Thank you,

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STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

TRANSFER ANALYSIS SHEET

INITIA	L REVIEW BY:
1.	Right number 51-00004 Applicant Brancon Buckers Corp. Dith Co.
. 2.	Type of right: 😿 Decree 🗆 License 🗆 Claim
3.	Purpose of transfer: Change point of diversion Add diversion point(s) Change place of use
,	□ Other
4.	Check:
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	b. S Description of original point of diversion.
	c. Description of original place of use.
5.	Amount of land &/or water transferred:
	a. 🗆 All of right.
	b. Part of right (NOTE! Part B should be filled in only if part of the right is owned by the applicant).
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2.	Is transfer published correctly? □ Yes □ No
3.	Protest received? Yes No
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in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-eight

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RONALD O. HUTCHISON, a single man,

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COLYER CATTLE CO., INC., an Idaho Corporation,

Bruneau

, County of Owyhee , State of Idaho

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WITNESSETH, That the said part y of the first part, for and in consideration TEN AND NO/100 -----DOLLARS,

lawful money of the United States of America, and other good and valuable considerat:

to him in hand paid by the said part Y of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bassained and sold, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm unto the said part Y of the second part, and to its /successorand assigns forever, all of the following described real estate, situated in the , County of Owyhee , State of Idaho, to-wit: Owyhee the

The East Half of the Northeast Quarter an the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section Twenty-three; and the West Half of the' West Half of Section Twenty-four, all in Township Six South, Range Five East, Boise Meridian, Modern With all water rights in the 4,037.5 shares of the capital stock of Bruneau-Buckaroo Towns to Ditch Company, an Idaho Corporation, as represented

Cartificate No. 308.

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TOGETHER, With all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents. issues and profits thereof; and all estate, right, title and interest in and to the said property, as well in law as in equity, of the said part Y of the first part.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, All and singular the above mentioned and described premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the part y of the second part, and to its and the said part y of the first part, and his heirs, the said premises in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said part y of the second part, its possession of the said part y of the second part, its / sid issigns, against the said part y of the first part, and his heirs, and against all and every person and persons whomsoever, lawfully claiming or to claim the same shall and will WARRANT and by these presents forever DEFEND.

hereunto set her hand of the first part has IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said part y the day and year first above written. SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED IN PRESENCE OF[Seal][Seal] STATE OF IDAHO, ELMORE, COUNTY OF in the year 1988, before me On this , a Notary Public the undersigned in and for said State, personally appeared RONALD O. HUTCHISON, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. N.WIZNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year tificate first above written. Notary Public for the State of Idaho, Residing at Mt. Home , Idaho. MINDARIMED VON I 1892 Ex-Officio Recorder. hereby certify that this instrument and duly recorded in Book STATE OF IDAEO, this 2 for record at request of . COUNTY OF H

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

No. 51-00004

Notice is hereby given that Bruneau Buckaroo Cooperative Ditch Co. of Bruneau, Idaho has applied to the Department of Water Resources for a change of place of use of the water of Bruneau River. The right sought to be changed is evidenced by decreed right and is recorded as follows:

Amount: 12.64 cfs Priority: 4-1-1897

Point(s) of Diversion: T7S, R6E, S26 SWSW (Buckaroo Dam). The water is used for irrigation and stockwater purposes on the lands of the shareholders and particularly .40 cfs for 20 acres belonging to Colyer Cattle Co. in T6S, R5E, S.24 SWSW.

TO BE CHANGED AS FOLLOWS

51-00004B

Amount: .40 cfs

Point(s) of Diversion: T7N, R6E S26 SWSW. The water will be used for irrigation and stockwater purposes on 20 acres belonging to Frank Bachman in T7S, R6E, S.4 NESW and S.9 SWNE and SENW. All other uses remain unchanged.

Any protest against approval of the proposed change of water right application must be filed with the Department of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, Idaho 83705 on or before May 20, 1991.

R. Keith Higginson Director

Published in the Owyhee Avalanche on 5/1 and 5/8/1991.



Chevyl Whiteride President, Burlan Buckaroo 6-op Ditch 6. Burlan, Habo 83604

Dear Cheryl:

Please consider this letter a formal request to change the place of use and the point of delivery for 20 inches (500 shares) of water within your canal system.

the same of Colyer Cattle Co. and recognized as a portion of the following certificate:

Certificate #354 3200 Shares 128 wekes Furt hiority
837.5 Shares 33.5 wickes Second Priority

the proposed water transfer would move 20 inches of second priority (april 1, 1897) water from Colyer Cattle Co. to Frank Backman.

Presently the 20 mikes (500 stares) is 1982ed on property Commonly referred to as the George Hutehison place located in Township 6 South, Pange 5 Cart, 3. M., Section 23, Et NE, NESE, and Section 24 winty.

the 20 inches of second priority water would be transferred to the Bockman property located in Township 7 South, Range 6 Cart, I M., Section 4 NESW, SESW, SWSE, and Section 9 NENW, SENW, NWNE, SWNE. This additional water (20 inches on 500 shares) would be combined with (65 inches on 1625 shares) of water presently recognized for the above described property.

To accomidate this transfer, the point of deliverly for this water would change from several headquites located in Township 6 South, Range 5 Cast (Hutchison Place), to Township 7 South, Range 6 East, Section 9, SENW, Backman Property.

Point of diversion from Bruneau River would not change. The priority date of April 1, 1897 would not change due to this transfer. The transfer would not impact any sheekolder in your system or and downstream user of the Bruneau River.

Place present this proposal to your proposal to your Jun 1 1 1992

Frank L. Backman

RUNDAU BUCKAROO CO-OF DITCH CC

The annual meeting of the Bruneau Suckaroo Co-op Ditch Co. was held January 7, 1991, at do'clock p.m. in the Library at Bruneau, Isano. a quorum of 50,350.00 shares was reached and the meeting was called to order by President Cheryl Whiteside.

Dick Strickland made a motion to accept the year's minutes as mailed, George Turner seconds, all vote in favor.

Acting secretary Vera Hopson asks the shareholders what action they they wish to take on the collection of unpaid water bills. Discussion follows. It is agreed to make another attempt by mail to convince the water user to pay the bill, if this fails, Frank Bachman makes a motion to go through procedure to attach a lein on the property. Les Gennette seconds, all vote in favor.

Frank Bachman presents a letter to the shareholders requesting a transfer of the point of delivery and the place of use of 500 shares or 20 inches of 2nd priority water from Jolyers George Hutchinson property to Bachman's Upper Place. He also reads a letter from the Water Resources Board as to the five point criteria for such a change of water usage. Discussion follows. Bachman and Colyer assure the shareholders that exchange acerage will be dried up, specific acerage will be identified in the request to the Mater Resources Board. Dick Strickland makes a motion to approve this request, Les Jennette seconds. Robert Black says he has contested the original water usage on this property. Water rights and priority dates are discussed. President Whiteside calls for a vote.

Mominations for new board of directors are opened. Ray Colyer nominates Les Gennette to replace Eugene Ferkins and then to keep the old board. No more nominations are made. Frank Bachman closes the nominations. Dick Strickland seconds Colyer's motion, all vote in favor. Rocert Black makes a motion to adjourn, Dick Strickland seconds, meeting is adjourned in forty five minutes--record time!

New certificates issued in 1990 #354 4037.5 shares 3200 or 128" 1st 037.5 or 33.5" 2nd no third Ronald O. hutchinson to Colyer Cattle

#355 1125 snares 675 or 27" 1st 450 or 18" 2nd no third

 $\#356\ 500$ shares no first 250 or 10" 2nd 250 or 10" third Colyer Cattle to Frank and Cindy Bachman

#357 2h00 snares no lst, no 2nd, all third 96"
#358 1200 shares no lst, no 2nd, all third h8"
#359 1200 shares no lst, no 2nd, all third h8"
#360 700 snares no lst, no 2nd, all third 28"
Lugene and Charlene Perkins to Owen Family Revocable Trust

Vera lopson acting secretary



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BRUNDAU BUUKUROO DITCH CC. Tecruary 26, 1991

A meeting of the Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Co. board of directors was held at the library in Bruneau, Idaho at 80'clock p.m. on February 26, 1991. Cheryl Whiteside, Frank Bachman, Les Gennette, Dick Strickland and Buy Colyer were present. The meeting was called to order by president Whiteside. A motion to accept the minutes of the annual meeting as mailed was made by Strickland, second by Jennette. All voted in favor.

A discussion of the proper transportation, use and storage of chemicals, hazardous materials is introduced by Strickland. A motion is made by Colyer to have Cristobal Construction Co. construct the proper type of enclosure for the material on the property of Dick Strickland for the ditch company. Bachman seconds, all are in favor.

All board mambers are in favor of March 1, 1991 to turn the water out of the Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch for the spring work. Bachman will contact Ashby Construction in regards to the cleaning of the ditch. Anyone who needs a new headgate, please contact Les Gennette at Jumoo's.

Next on the agenda is a discussion of the letter to the board with a request for a pay increase from the ditch rider, Dixie McKay. A motion is made by Bachman to offer her \$50.00 per month increase, with no other changes. This would bring her pay to \$550.00 per month with the usual \$500.00 penus at the end of the season. Gennette seconds, three vote in favor and one against, motion carries.

The election of new officers on the board is as follows, Frank Bachman president, Dick Strickland as vice president, Buy Jolyer as secretary. All are in layor, a new board has been installed.

Frank Bachman announces a meeting of the boards of directors of all three ditch companies not Springs, Southside and Bruneau Buckaroo at the American Ergion Hall on March 7, 1991. The overall water situation for the coming year will be discussed.

Gennette makes a motion to adjourn, Colyer seconds, meeting is adjourned.

Vera Hopson

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