

M E M O R A N D U M

Date: August 19, 2004
To: Transfer 71476 File
From: Corey Skinner
Re: Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information Submitted

Transfer proposes tying two adjacent farms together via a common irrigation system to consist of five existing wells that divert 16.53 cfs for the irrigation of 1183 acres within a 1201-acre permissible place of use. The farms and wells are located approximately 15.0 – 17.0 miles north and 3.0 – 5.25 miles east of Rupert. All of the wells are located within the Magic Valley Ground Water District and are located within the ESPA and Water District 130. All five of the wells are located within two cells that overlap the places of use of all the rights involved with the transfer so no analysis is required pursuant to the transfer memo. The transfer is quite straightforward, but a couple of minor corrections can be implemented into the approval. Rights 36-15167A and 36-15170A currently list a condition that limits their combined diversion rate to 9.78 cfs, but the combined limit should actually be 9.77 cfs since the two rates (7.96 cfs & 1.81 cfs) for the two rights only add up to 9.77 cfs. Rights 36-196, 36-15535, and 36-15536 currently list three wells as points of diversion. One of the wells is described as being in Lot 2 (SWNWNE) of Section 1 (T07S, R24E). However, IDWR (WMIS) records show that the well has been GPSed and is actually located within Lot 3 (SENESE) of Section 1 (T07S, R24E).

- **Authority to File:**
IDWR records list the applicants as the current owners of the rights being transferred
- **Water Right Validity:**
Rights have been recently decreed in the SRBA.
- **Injury to Other Water Rights:**
None anticipated.
- **Enlargement of Use:**
None if appropriate conditions and limits are implemented.
- **Local Public Interest:**
No negative impacts anticipated.
- **Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:**
Proposed use (irrigation) is recognized as a beneficial use of water.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.