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Re: Project No. Transfer 71015

Dear Mr. Jensen

First of all, let me start over. Upon occasion, I find myself looking in the mirror and seeing a bureaucrat and I don't like what I see. It is with this in mind, that I send you a copy of an application for release of digital data that you requested.

The City of Idaho Falls approached the Idaho Department of Water Resources last December in the form of transfer application on water rights 25-2142 and 25-7058 for the purpose of adding a new well to the municipal system. Part of the process of completing that transfer is to locate or "update", if you will, the location of the wells that pertain to these water rights. This is neither difficult nor extremely scientific. I can locate them on the Department's GIS system manually with the aid of a city employee, I can go out and locate them in the field, GPS the locations and then download them into our GIS system, or you could send me a GIS shapefile of the well locations. The City's new Water Department Superintendent, Mr. David Richards, suggested that perhaps the City could send a shapefile to save the taxpayers money and to be timely.

I hope that this may suffice. If it will not or if does not appear to be timely, I request that you make me aware so that I may pursue one of the other options.

Sincerely,

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