

MEMORANDUM

Date: May 20, 2004
To: Transfer 71184
From: amerritt
Re: sufficiency memo

This application proposes to create a permissible place of use for two ground water rights totaling 2.67 cfs currently diverted from two wells located approximately 4 miles east of Gooding north of Hwy 26. These water rights currently supply water to the existing cheese plant and allow disposal of the waste water from the plant on irrigated lands near the plant (Old Arkoosh farm). This transfer identifies a proposed permissible place of use to include portions of the old Wolfe farm south of Hwy 26 along with the existing place of use. This transfer would allow more efficient management of the waste water from the cheese plant which would spread the waste over a larger area to allow better nutrient management.

Authority to File:

Glanbia is the owner of record of the rights and has submitted deed for the property. Note that the Wolfe property has recently been purchased.

Water Right Validity:

Validity of the rights involved: Both rights have been recently licensed and are not included in the SRBA.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

None apparent.

Enlargement of Use:

Does not appear to be an issue.

Local Public Interest:

Would be in the public interest to better manage waste water from cheese plant.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:

No issue identified.

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.

Other issues:

The applicant has filed a companion transfer to modify a portion of the groundwater rights which irrigate the lands where the waste water is to be land applied.