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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH
REGIONAL DIRECTOR PN REGION
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1150 N CURTIS RD STE 100
BOISE ID 83706-1234

US DEPT OF JUSTICE
ENV & NR DIV GEN LIT SEC
ATTN: KATHLEEN CARR
550 W FORT ST MSC 033
BOISE ID 83724

RE: Application for Transfer of Water Right 70857
Rights 36-2080, 36-15127A & B, 36-15192, 36-15193A & B, 36-15194A & B,
36-15195A & B, 36-15196A & B

Dear Right Holder:

Application for Transfer 70857 submitted by A & B Irrigation District proposes to add additional points of diversion to the existing system under the above referenced rights that serve the A & B Irrigation District service area. The transfer has been advertised and no protests were received regarding the proposed change.

The Snake River Basin Adjudication partial decrees for these rights identify the Bureau of Reclamation as the current owner, and A & B Irrigation District as the operator. The application filed by A & B Irrigation District as the current operator appears acceptable. However, the Bureau of Reclamation as the current owner of these rights may wish to comment on the proposed changes prior to the completion of processing.

A draft approval has been included for your review. I will withhold the transfer from further processing for 30 days to allow for your response. After that time, the Department will proceed with approval as drafted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pamela S. Skaggs". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Pamela S. Skaggs
Sr. Water Resource Agent

CC:

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