

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Water Right Files 37-20822 & 37-20824 and Drilling Permit File 812207

**FROM:** Corey Skinner /CS

**DATE:** March 30, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Issuance of Drilling Permit

Yesterday, Southern Region Office received an application for drilling permit for a new well in the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 6, Township 01 South, Range 19 East. The drilling permit application identified the well as a new irrigation well and identified the relevant water rights as 37-20822 and 37-20824. Review of water right records indicates that approved transfer # 70245 created rights 37-20822 and 37-20824. This particular transfer was initially approved on February 3, 2003 and the approval was modified on March 19, 2003 to correct an error in the combined diversion rate limit for the two rights. The transfer approval included a condition that stated...

“The right holder shall accomplish the change authorized by this transfer within one (1) year of the date of this approval.”

Technically, this approval condition had not been complied with since the well had not yet been drilled. However, a conversation with administration in the state office revealed that it would be OK if we went ahead and issued the drilling permit. On this date, direction was giving to ground water protection staff to issue the well drilling permit. They proceeded to issue well drilling permit # 812207 for the new well.