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Harold Jones
Eastern Region Office
Idaho Department of Water Resources
900 North Skyline Drive, Suite A
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402

RE: Transfer number 5441 (Hawley Ranch - Claimant)

Dear Mr. Jones:

By this letter I state that I have the authority to act on behalf of the United States, Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management (U.S.D.I., BLM), with myself as its agent, to the matters discussed herein. I understand that Hawley Ranch wishes to transfer water under the above transfer number from federal public property to land which Hawley Ranch owns as private property. The federal public property legal descriptions are as follows:

T.6N, R.28E, S.14 NENE (0.6 acres)
T.6N, R.28E, S.14 NWNE (1.7 acres)
T.6N, R.28E, S.14 SWNE (8.0 acres)
T.6N, R.28E, S.14 SESE (1.8 acres)
T.6N, R.28E, S.24 NESW (7.2 acres)

I understand that the Idaho Department of Water Resources cannot complete such a transfer of water under a water right without the notarized consent of the land owner where the water right describes land not owned by the transfer applicant.

On behalf of the United States and the U.S.D.I., BLM, my notarized signature below provides the necessary consent to facilitate the transfer, which will result in the discontinuance of water being applied to federal public land. The United States' non-opposition to the application for transfer does not represent recognition by the United States of the claim elements nor their validity.

I there are questions regarding any statements above, please do not hesitate to contact Deena Teel at (208) 524-7533 or at the address provided above.

Sincerely,

Joe Kraayenbrink
Area Manager