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November 22, 2004

DIRK KEMPTHORNE Governor

> KARL J. DREHER Director

Scott & Ardath Kimmich P.O. Box 346 Hailey, ID 83333

Re: Water Right #37-8858; Petition for reconsideration of Order Requiring Measuring Devices ... in Water District 37, Croy Creek and Tributaries, dated November 16, 2004.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kimmich,

Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) received your petition referenced above by fax on November 18, 2004. Your petition states the Water Permit 37-8858 for 0.13 cubic feet per second is for non-consumptive use (power production), and all water is returned to the creek immediately after passing through 240' of 6" PVC pipe and the micro-hydroelectric generator.

I determined from USGS quad maps and IDWR's water rights database that your point of diversion is located in a remote canyon, and surrounded by BLM property. This remote location would appear to limit the possibility that your diversion piping would interfere with other water users on the creek.

The Water Permit report for 37-8858 shows this condition of approval:

"The right holder shall either install a measuring device or a flow measurement port or provide a certified measurement or computation of flow based upon system design to be prepared by a professional engineer."

No other conditions of approval are listed related to the content of the November 16, 2004 Order.

Based on the small flow, non-consumptive nature, and the remoteness of the point of diversion for this water permit, IDWR is **granting** your requested exception from the November 16, 2004 Order pertaining to Croy Creek in Water District 37. This letter should be considered as official notice of the exception. Please note the condition of approval on this permit requiring a measuring device, measuring port, or certified flow calculations is still in effect.

Call me at the above number if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,

Steve Burrell

Water Distribution Section Engineer

c: IDWR Southern Region Office Kevin Lakey, Water District 37 watermaster Water Permit File 37-8858 Water District File





