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Mr. Don Shenton Watermaster Water District 31 P.O. Box 33 Dubois, ID 83423

Dear Don:

I am writing this letter to follow up our previous conversation concerning the diversion of water from Camas creek for the irrigation of certain properties owned by Blaine Larsen farms.

Our review of the water rights indicates that the point of diversion and place where the water is being used does not correspond to any water right(s) or transfer we currently have in our records. We have made this fact known to representatives of Blaine Larsen Farms and, an application has now been filed to transfer specific water rights to the subject lands.

However, the proposed change has not been approved and therefore I believe it is necessary to shut off these diversions once the high water is gone on Camas Creek and you find it necessary to start cutting rights. I understand that in the past few days the flows on Camas creek have receded to the point that they are now insufficient to meet all of the demand upstream from Blaine Larsen. If this understanding is correct the diversions of Blaine Larsen Farms on Camas Creek should now be shut off.

Very truly yours,

Ronald D. Carlson Eastern Region Manager