

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BEAR LAKE.

PRESTON-MONTPELIER IRRIGATION
COMPANY, a corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DINGLE IRRIGATION COMPANY, a cor-
poration; Grinnett-Black Otter
Irrigation Company, a corporation;
Peg Leg Island Irrigation Company, a
corporation; West Fork Irrigation
Company, a corporation; Ream-Crockett
Irrigation Company, a corporation;
Pugnire Livestock & Land Company, a
corporation; Continental Life Insur-
ance Company, a corporation; Ole
Transtum; Carrie Hill; J.A.O. Nielson,
John A. Jensen; Oron Quayle; Thomas
Quayle; George Parker; Edw. LaRocco;
John O. Miller; Ezra J. Phelps; George
A. Sparks; Hyrum Esterholdt, and Joseph
Esterholdt,

Defendants

DECREE

This cause came on regularly for trial on the 4th
day of August, 1923, John A. Bagley, Esquire, and D. G. Kuntz,
Esquire, appearing as attorneys for the plaintiff Preston- Montpelier
Irrigation Company, a corporation, and John A. Bagley, Esquire, appearing
as attorney for Oron Quayle, Thomas Quayle, George Parker, Edw. LaRocco,
John O. Miller, Ezra J. Phelps, and George A. Sparks, defendants and cross-
complainants; and D. G. Kuntz, Esquire, appearing as attorney for the
Continental Life Insurance Company, a corporation, Ole Transtrum, Carry
Hill, J. A. O. Nielson and John A. Jensen, defendants and cross-complain-
ants; and A. B. Gough, Esquire, appearing as attorney for Dingle Irrigation
Company, a corporation, Peg Leg Island Irrigation Company, a corporation,
Grinnett Black Otter Irrigation Company, a corporation, and the Pugnire
Livestock & Land Company, a corporation, defendants and cross-complainants;
Ross W. Bates, Esquire, appearing as attorney for the Ream-Crockett Irriga-
tion Company, a corporation, defendants and cross-complainants; and Jesse P.
Rich, Esquire, appearing as attorney for the West Fork Irrigation Company,
a corporation, defendants and cross-complainants and Darwin Haddock, Esquire,
appearing as attorney for Hyrum Esterholdt and Joseph Esterholdt, defendants
and cross-complainants. Whereupon, the respective parties proceeded to
negotiate a settlement and adjustment of the issues raised by the complain-

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PUGMIRE LIVESTOCK & LAND COMPANY:

1877- April 15th, what is designated in this decree as a "Meadow Right".
April 15th - July 1st, 6.9 cubic feet per second.
July 1st - September 30th, 4.6 cubic feet per second.

All of said waters to be diverted from Bear River through the ^{Pugmire} ditch about forty rods west of its intake out of the Vaste Slough, to be used upon 231.75 acres of land, described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 34, and running thence North 60 rods, more or less, to Bear River; thence following up the channel of said Bear River in a Southeasterly direction to its intersection with the North boundary line of said Section 34; thence East 40 rods, more or less, to the Northeast corner of the Northwest of said Section 34; thence South 80 rods; thence East 80 rods; thence South 80 rods; thence West 80 rods; thence South 13 rods, more or less, to center of Slough; thence Westerly along center of said slough 80 rods, more or less, to intersection of West boundary line of the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 34; thence North 10 rods, more or less, the half section line; thence West 35 rods, more or less, to center of Slough; thence following the meanderings of said Slough in a Northwesterly direction to its intersection with the West boundary line of said Section 34; thence North 12 rods, more or less, to a point which is 44 rods South from the Northwest corner of said Section 34; thence East 10.4 rods; thence North 44 rods; thence West 10.4 rods to the place of beginning, and containing 210 acres, more or less. All of which said land is in Township 13 South of Range 44 East of Boise Meridian, in Bear Lake County, Idaho, also.

Commencing at a point 156 feet South from the Northwest corner of the Southeast quarter of Sec. 34, Township 13 South Range 44 East Boise Meridian, and running thence North 156 feet; thence East 578 feet, more or less, to East bank of Slough; thence Southwesterly down said Slough to the place of beginning, containing 3-3/4 acres of land, more or less; and also,

Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southwest quarter of Section 34, Township 13 South Range 44 East of Boise Meridian, and running thence South 13 rods to center of Slough; thence Westerly along the center of the Channel of said Slough 158 rods; thence North 3 rods to quarter section line; thence East along said quarter section line 105 rods to place of beginning, containing 18 acres of land, more or less.

WEST FORK IRRIGATION COMPANY:

1877- April 15th, what is designated in this decree as a "Meadow Right".

April 15th - July 1st, 180 cubic feet per second.
July 1st - September 30th, 107 cubic feet per second.

All of said waters to be diverted from Bear River through a ditch known as the West Fork Canal, diverting from said Bear River at a point located at or near South 12°36' West 1411 feet from the Northeast corner of Section Five, Township Thirteen South, Range Forty-four East of the Boise Meridian, to be used upon 5330 acres of land situated in the following subdivisions:

The SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 8; SE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ of E $\frac{1}{2}$ of W $\frac{1}{2}$, and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section Eighteen; Section Seventeen; S $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section Sixteen; E $\frac{1}{2}$ and N $\frac{1}{2}$ of W $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 19; Section 20; Section 21; W $\frac{1}{2}$, and W $\frac{1}{2}$ of E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 22; Section 29; E $\frac{1}{2}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ of W $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 30; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 31; N $\frac{1}{2}$ and about 80 acres in N $\frac{1}{2}$ of S $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 32; and NW $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 33, all in Township 13 South, Range 44 East, of Boise Meridian.

CONTINENTAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY:

1877 April 15th, What is designated in this decree as a "Meadow Right".

April 15th - July 1st, 6.6 cubic feet per second.
July 1st - September 30th, 4.4 cubic feet per second.

1883- April 15th, what is designated in this decree as an "Agricultural Right", 1.7 cubic feet per second.

1884- April 15th, What is designated in this decree as an "Agricultural Right", 3 cubic feet per second.

All of said waters to be diverted from Bear River by means of the Kent-LaRocco Ditch out of Casto Slough, the same being a branch of Bear River, at a point near the Northeast Corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 14 South, Range 44 East of the Boise Meridian, to be used upon 328 acres of land described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at a point 11 rods East from the Northwest corner of Lot 4 in Section 3 Township 14 South of Range 44 East of the Boise Meridian, and running thence East 69 rods; thence South 150 rods; thence following the windings of Black Otter Slough West, North and East a distance of 257 rods; thence on a direct line North, crossing said Slough, a distance of 10 rods to the North side of said Slough; thence following the windings of said slough in a Westerly direction, 70 rods; thence North 21 rods to the place of beginning, containing 37.71 acres, more or less.

Also the Southeast quarter of Section 34, in Township 13 South Range 44 East of the Boise Meridian and the South Half of the Northeast Quarter and Lots 1 and 3 of Section 3 in Township 14 South of Range 44 East of the Boise Meridian, excepting therefrom the tract sold to the Utah Power & Light Company described as follows:

Commencing at the center of Section 3, Township 14 South, Range 44 East of the Boise Meridian, running thence North 16°45' East through the Northeast Quarter of said Section 3 and the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 13 South Range 44 East of the Boise Meridian to the North line of said Southeast Quarter of said Section 34; thence East approximately 1044.4 feet to the East line of said Section 34; thence South 16°45' West through the Southeast quarter of said Section 34 and Northeast Quarter of said Section 3 to the South line of said Northeast quarter of said Sec. 3; thence West approximately 1044.4 feet to the place of beginning constituting a strip of land 1000 feet wide, 500 feet on each side of the center of main canal.

ORON QUAYLE:

- 95-2 (Preston-Montpelier Irrig Co.)
 11 0943 1877. April 15th, what is designated in this decree as a "Meadow Right".
 April 15th - July 1st, 1.8 cubic feet per second.
 July 1st - September 30th, 1.2 cubic feet per second.

- 11 0944 1883. April 15th, what is designated in this decree as an "Agricultural Right, 1.7 cubic feet per second.
 11 0945 1884. April 15th, what is designated in this decree as an "Agricultural Right", .3 cubic feet per second.

All of said waters to be diverted from Bear River by means of the Kent-LaRocco Ditch out of the Casto Slough, the same being a branch of Bear River, at a point near the Northeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 14 South, Range 44 East of the Boise Meridian, to be used upon 160 acres of land, described as follows, to-wit:

The NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 3, Township 14 South, Range 44 East, Boise Meridian, in Bear Lake County, Idaho. - This claim overlaps about 50a of 95-1 Rainbow Canal.

THOMAS QUAYLE:

- 95-3 (Preston-Montpelier Irrig Co.)
 11 0946 1883. April 15th, what is designated in this decree as an "Agricultural Right, 1.1 cubic feet per second.
 11 0947 1884. April 15th, what is designated in this decree as an "Agricultural Right", .2 cubic feet per second.

All of said waters to be diverted from Bear River by means of the Kent-LaRocco Ditch out of Casto Slough, the same being a branch of Bear River, at a point near the Northeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 14 South, Range 44 East of the Boise Meridian, to be used upon 65 acres of land, described as follows, to-wit:

The W $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 2, Township 14 South, Range 44 East of Boise Meridian, in Bear Lake County, Idaho.

STATE OF IDAHO)
COUNTY OF ADA) ss.

I, Mark R. Kulp, State Reclamation Engineer of the State of Idaho, do hereby certify that the annexed and foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a certain decree, signed by Judge Robert M. Terrill, of the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of Idaho, in and for Bear Lake County, in the case of Preston-Montpelier Irrigation Company vs. Dingle Irrigation Company, et al., as same appears on file and of record in the Department of Reclamation of the State of Idaho, at Boise, Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Department of Reclamation of the State of Idaho to be hereunto affixed, at Boise, Idaho, this 29th day of December, A. D. 1944.

Mark R. Kulp

MARK R. KULP

State Reclamation Engineer

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT

TRANSFER NO. 4594

WATER RIGHT NO(S). 11-00910/11-00911/11-00912/11-00918
11-00919/11-00920/11-00921/11-00922/11-00923..

This is to certify that: FERN KEETCH
C/O SCOTT NELSON
PO BOX 53
PARIS ID 83261

has requested a change to the above captioned water right(s). This change in water right(s) is authorized pursuant to the provisions of Section 42-222, Idaho Code, provided the conditions listed below are met.

<u>BENEFICIAL USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>DIVERSION RATE</u>	<u>ANNUAL VOLUME</u>
Right No. 11-00910 :			
IRRIGATION	04/15 to 07/01	6.60 CFS	1008.0 AF
IRRIGATION	07/02 to 09/30	4.40 CFS	794.2 AF
		6.60 CFS	1085.0 AF
Priority: 04/15/1877			
Right No. 11-00911 :			
IRRIGATION	04/15 to 10/15	1.70 CFS	617.1 AF
Priority: 04/15/1883			
Right No. 11-00912 :			
IRRIGATION	04/15 to 09/30	3.00 CFS	999.7 AF
Priority: 04/15/1877			
	SUBTOTAL:	11.30 CFS	1085.0 AF
Right No. 11-00918 :			
IRRIGATION	04/15 to 07/01	0.30 CFS	45.8 AF
IRRIGATION	07/02 to 09/30	0.20 CFS	36.1 AF
		0.30 CFS	81.9 AF
Priority: 04/15/1877			
Right No. 11-00919 :			
IRRIGATION	04/15 to 10/15	1.20 CFS	280.0 AF
Priority: 04/15/1883			
Right No. 11-00920 :			
IRRIGATION	04/15 to 10/15	0.20 CFS	72.6 AF
Priority: 04/15/1884			
	SUBTOTAL:	1.70 CFS	280.0 AF

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<u>BENEFICIAL USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>DIVERSION RATE</u>	<u>ANNUAL VOLUME</u>
Right No. 11-00921 :			
IRRIGATION	04/15 to 07/01	2.25 CFS	343.6 AF
IRRIGATION	07/02 to 09/30	1.50 CFS	270.7 AF
		<u>2.25 CFS</u>	<u>367.5 AF</u>
Priority: 04/15/1877			
Right No. 11-00922 :			
IRRIGATION	04/15 to 10/15	0.50 CFS	181.5 AF
Priority: 04/15/1883			
Right No. 11-00923 :			
IRRIGATION	04/15 to 10/15	0.10 CFS	36.3 AF
Priority: 04/15/1884			
	SUBTOTAL:	2.85 CFS	367.5 AF
	TOTAL:	* 15.85 CFS	* 1085.0 AF

SOURCE

BEAR RIVER

TRIBUTARY OF

GREAT SALT LAKE

LOCATION OF POINT(S) OF DIVERSION:

NENE , Sec. 34, Township 13S, Range 44E
SWSE , Sec. 35, Township 13S, Range 44E
BEAR LAKE County

PLACE OF USE: IRRIGATION

<u>TWN</u>	<u>RGE</u>	<u>SEC</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
13S	44E	34	NESW 14	SESW 28	NESE 5		
			NWSE 4	SWSE 31	SESE 23		105
		35	SWNW 1	NWSW 30	SWSW 40		71
14S	44E	3					
14S	44E	3					
14S	44E	3	Lot 1(NENE) 30	Lot 2(NWNE) 19	SWNE 8		
			SENE 40	Lot 3(NENW) 37			134
13S	44E	34					
13S	44E	34					

Total number of acres irrigated: ** 310

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL AND REMARKS

1. Use of water under this water right will be regulated by the watermaster of State Water District No. 11.
2. This right when combined with all other rights shall provide no more than 3.5 afa per acre for the lands above.
3. After specific notification by the department, the right holder shall annually report the amount of water diverted to the department.

TRANSFER NO. 4594

WATER RIGHT NO(S). 11-00910/11-00911/11-00912/11-00918
11-00919/11-00920/11-00921/11-00922/11-00923

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL AND REMARKS

4. Approval of this transfer in no way grants any right-of-way or easement for use of a delivery system owned by person(s) other than the right owner.
5. The change authorized by this transfer shall be accomplished within one (1) year of the date of this approval.
6. Failure to comply with the conditions of this transfer is cause for the director to issue an order to show cause why the approval of the transfer should not be rescinded.
7. Prior to diversion of water under this approval, the right holder shall provide a means of measurement acceptable to the Department from all authorized points of diversion which will allow determination of the total rate of diversion.
- *8. The total instantaneous diversion of water from all points of diversion under Transfer No. 4594 and combined Right Nos. 11-00910, 11-00911, 11-00912, 11-00918, 11-00919, 11-00920, 11-00921, 11-00922 and 11-00923, shall not exceed 15.85 cfs, nor a total combined annual volume of 1,085.0 af for irrigation of 310.0 acres.
- **9. Combined Right Nos. 11-00918, 11-00919 and 11-00920 shall not exceed a total combined annual diversion volume of 280.0 af for the irrigation of 80.0 acres in the place of use described above in a single irrigation season.
- **10. Combined Right Nos. 11-00921, 11-00922 and 11-00923 shall not exceed a total combined annual diversion volume of 367.5 af for the irrigation of 105.0 acres in the place of use described above in a single irrigation season.
11. Right Nos. 11-00910, 11-00918 and 11-00921 are classified as meadow lands or rights, and are understood to mean those lands along Bear River producing what is commonly called "wild hay" or "natural meadow grass", which lands must be flooded in order to produce crops, the water running over said lands and back into Bear River.
12. Right Nos. 11-00911, 11-00912, 11-00919, 11-00920, 11-00922 and 11-00923 are classified as agricultural lands or rights, and are intended to mean those lands which have been cultivated and irrigated for the production of crops.
13. Any year that there is insufficient water in Bear River to fully supply all the decreed agricultural rights, the meadow rights will be reduced proportionately to provide 75% of the water for all the agricultural rights between June 17 and July 4th, and provide the full amount of water for the agricultural rights after July 4th.

Dated this 13th day of October, 1995.

A. Glen Saxton

Chief, Water Alloc. Bureau

MEMORANDUM

TO: FILES 11-00911/00912/00918 thru 00923

FROM: PAM SKAGGS

RE: TRANSFER # 4594

DATE: 5/23/95

Original Transfer Application, Form and correspondence
regarding the above referenced Transfer is located within
File # 11-00910.



State of Idaho

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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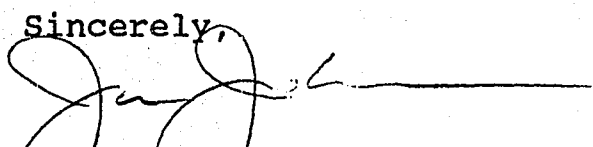
FERN KEETCH
C/O SCOTT NELSON
PO BOX 53
PARIS ID 83261

RE: Transfer of Water Right Nos. 11-00910/11-00911/11-00912
11-00918/11-00919/11-00920/11-00921/11-0922/11-00923

Dear Water Right Holder(s):

Enclosed is a copy of your approved Transfer of Water Rights for the above referenced water rights (Transfer No. 4594). Please be sure to thoroughly review the "Conditions/Remarks:" as listed on the transfer.

Sincerely,



JIM JOHNSON, Manager
Water Right Permits Section

JJ:rl

Enclosure

~ Celebrating Our Centennial Year of Service to Idaho 1895-1995 ~

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER)
NO. 4594 IN THE NAME OF FERN)
KEETCH)
_____)

PRELIMINARY ORDER
CORRECTING TRANSFER
APPROVAL

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On March 7, 1924, Water Right No. 11-912 was decreed in the case Preston-Montpelier Irrigation Company, vs. Dingle Irrigation Company with a priority date of April 15, 1884.
2. On April 12, 1995, Fern Keetch (applicant) filed Application for Transfer No. 4594 (transfer) to add a point of diversion and to change the place of use for the following water rights:

11-910	11-911	11-912
11-918	11-919	11-920
11-921	11-922	11-923
3. On October 13, 1995, the Department approved the transfer showing the priority date for Water Right No. 11-912 as April 15, 1877.

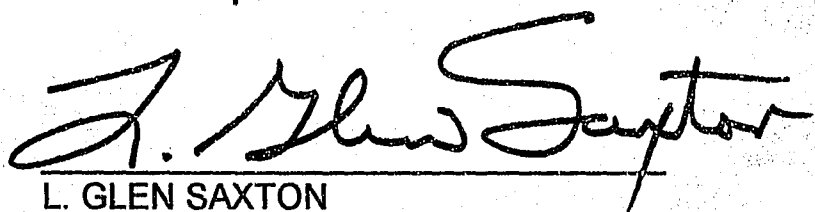
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The transfer approval should accurately describe each established water right as changed by the transfer pursuant to Section 42-222, Idaho Code.
2. The transfer approval incorrectly describes the priority date of Water Right No. 11-912 as April 15, 1877.
3. The Department should correct the transfer approval to show the previously decreed priority date for Water Right No. 11-912.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE HEREBY ORDERED that Transfer Approval No. 4594 is **CORRECTED** by changing the priority date for Water Right No. 11-912 from April 15, 1877 to the previously decreed priority date of April 15, 1884.

Dated this 28th day of September, 2001.


L. GLEN SAXTON
Chief, Water Allocation Bureau

**EXPLANATORY INFORMATION
TO ACCOMPANY A
PRELIMINARY ORDER**

The accompanying order or approved document is a "Preliminary Order" issued by the department pursuant to section 67-5243, Idaho Code. It can and will become a final order without further action of the Department of Water Resources (department) unless a party petitions for reconsideration, files an exception and brief, or requests a hearing as further described below:

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Any party may file a petition for reconsideration of a preliminary order with the department within fourteen (14) days of the service date of this order. The department will act on a petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of its receipt, or the petition will be considered denied by operation of law. See Section 67-5243(3) Idaho Code.

EXCEPTIONS AND BRIEFS

Within fourteen (14) days after (a) the service date of a preliminary order, (b) the service date of a denial of a petition for reconsideration from this preliminary order, or (c) the failure within twenty-one (21) days to grant or deny a petition for reconsideration from this preliminary order, any party may in writing support or take exceptions to any part of a preliminary order and may file briefs in support of the party's position on any issue in the proceeding with the Director. Otherwise, this preliminary order will become a final order of the agency.

REQUEST FOR HEARING

Unless a right to a hearing before the department or the Idaho Water Resource Board (Board) is otherwise provided by statute, any person aggrieved by any final decision, determination, order or action of the Director of the department and who has not previously been afforded an opportunity for a hearing on the matter may request a hearing pursuant to section 42-1701A(3), Idaho Code. A written petition contesting the action of the Director and requesting a hearing shall be filed within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the denial or conditional approval.

ORAL ARGUMENT

If the Director grants a petition to review the preliminary order, the Director shall allow all parties an opportunity to file briefs in support of or taking exceptions to the preliminary order and may schedule oral argument in the matter before issuing a final order. If oral arguments are to be heard, the Director will within a reasonable time period notify each party of the place, date and hour for the argument of the case. Unless the Director orders otherwise, all oral arguments will be heard in Boise, Idaho.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

All exceptions, briefs, requests for oral argument and any other matters filed with the Director in connection with the preliminary order shall be served on all other parties to the proceedings in accordance with IDAPA Rules 37.01.01302 and 37.01.01303 (Rules of Procedure 302 and 303).

FINAL ORDER

The Director will issue a final order within fifty-six (56) days of receipt of the written briefs, oral argument or response to briefs, whichever is later, unless waived by the parties or for good cause shown. The Director may remand the matter for further evidentiary hearings if further factual development of the record is necessary before issuing a final order. The department will serve a copy of the final order on all parties of record.

Section 67-5246(5), Idaho Code, provides as follows:

Unless a different date is stated in a final order, the order is effective fourteen (14) days after its issuance if a party has not filed a petition for reconsideration. If a party has filed a petition for reconsideration with the agency head, the final order becomes effective when:

- (a) the petition for reconsideration is disposed of; or
- (b) the petition is deemed denied because the agency head did not dispose of the petition within twenty-one (21) days.

APPEAL OF FINAL ORDER TO DISTRICT COURT

Pursuant to sections 67-5270 and 67-5272, Idaho Code, if this preliminary order becomes final, any party aggrieved by the final order or orders previously issued in this case may appeal the final order and all previously issued orders in this case to district court by filing a petition in the district court of the county in which:

- i. A hearing was held,
- ii. The final agency action was taken,
- iii. The party seeking review of the order resides, or
- iv. The real property or personal property that was the subject of the agency action is located.

The appeal must be filed within twenty-eight (28) days of this preliminary order becoming final. See section 67-5273, Idaho Code. The filing of an appeal to district court does not itself stay the effectiveness or enforcement of the order under appeal.



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September 28, 2001

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Governor

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Director

FERN KEETCH
C/O SCOTT NELSON
PO BOX 53
PARIS ID 83261

RE: Transfer No. 4594

Dear Water Right Holder:

During a review of our water right database, we discovered an error in the priority date of one of the water rights included in the transfer approval referenced above. The priority date for Water Right No. 11-912 was inadvertently shown on the transfer approval document as April 15, 1887 rather than the decreed priority date of April 15, 1884. The purpose of the enclosed order is to correct that error. We have also enclosed a computer-generated report for Water Right No. 11-912 showing the corrected priority date.

The enclosed PRELIMINARY ORDER CORRECTING TRANSFER APPROVAL is issued by the Department pursuant to section 67-5243, Idaho Code. It can and will become a final order without further action by the Department unless the water right owner petitions for reconsideration or files an exception and/or brief within fourteen (14) days of the service date as described in the enclosed information sheet.

Please note that water right owners are required to report any change of water right ownership and/or mailing address to the Department within 120 days of the change. Failure to report these changes could result in a \$100 late filing fee. Contact any office of the Department or visit the Department's homepage on the Internet to obtain the proper forms and instructions.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 208-327-7940.

Sincerely,

Jeff Peppersack, Manager
Water Right Permits Section

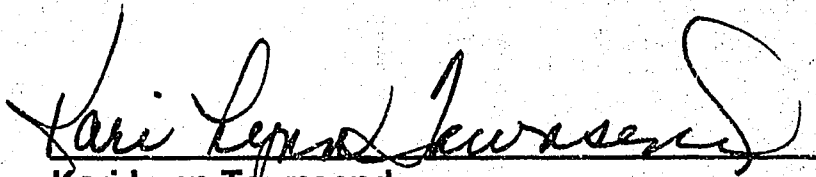
Enclosure(s)

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on **October 1, 2001** I mailed a true and correct copy, postage prepaid, of the foregoing **PRELIMINARY ORDER (Correcting Transfer Approval)** to the person(s) listed below:

RE: TRANSFER NO. 4594

**FERN KEETCH
C/O SCOTT NELSON
PO BOX 53
PARIS ID 83261**


**Kari Lynn Townsend
Secretary**

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER)
NO. 4594 IN THE NAME OF FERN)
KEETCH)
_____)

**PRELIMINARY ORDER
CORRECTING TRANSFER
APPROVAL**

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On March 7, 1924, Water Right Nos. 11-911, 11-919, 11-920, 11-922 and 11-923 were decreed in the case Preston-Montpelier Irrigation Company, vs. Dingle Irrigation Company as agricultural rights with a period of use for irrigation of April 15 through September 30.
2. On April 12, 1995, Fern Keetch (applicant) filed Application for Transfer No. 4594 (transfer) to add a point of diversion and to change the place of use for the following water rights:

11-910	11-911	11-912
11-918	11-919	11-920
11-921	11-922	11-923
3. On October 13, 1995, the Department approved the transfer showing the period of use for irrigation for Water Right Nos. 11-911, 11-919, 11-920, 11-922 and 11-923 as April 15 through October 15.

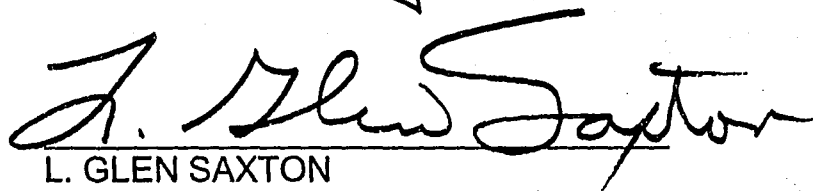
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The transfer approval should accurately describe each established water right as changed by the transfer pursuant to Section 42-222, Idaho Code.
2. The transfer approval incorrectly describes the period of use for irrigation for Water Right Nos. 11-911, 11-919, 11-920, 11-922 and 11-923 as April 15 through October 15.
3. The Department should correct the transfer approval to show the previously decreed period of use for the water rights.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE HEREBY ORDERED that Transfer Approval No. 4594 is **CORRECTED** by changing the period of use for irrigation for Water Right Nos. 11-911, 11-919, 11-920, 11-922 and 11-923 to the previously decreed period of April 15 through September 30.

Dated this 13th day of May, 2002.


L. GLEN SAXTON
Chief, Water Allocation Bureau

**EXPLANATORY INFORMATION
TO ACCOMPANY A
PRELIMINARY ORDER**

The accompanying order or approved document is a "Preliminary Order" issued by the department pursuant to section 67-5243, Idaho Code. It can and will become a final order without further action of the Department of Water Resources (department) unless a party petitions for reconsideration, files an exception and brief, or requests a hearing as further described below:

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Any party may file a petition for reconsideration of a preliminary order with the department within fourteen (14) days of the service date of this order. The department will act on a petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of its receipt, or the petition will be considered denied by operation of law. See Section 67-5243(3) Idaho Code.

EXCEPTIONS AND BRIEFS

Within fourteen (14) days after (a) the service date of a preliminary order, (b) the service date of a denial of a petition for reconsideration from this preliminary order, or (c) the failure within twenty-one (21) days to grant or deny a petition for reconsideration from this preliminary order, any party may in writing support or take exceptions to any part of a preliminary order and may file briefs in support of the party's position on any issue in the proceeding with the Director. Otherwise, this preliminary order will become a final order of the agency.

REQUEST FOR HEARING

Unless a right to a hearing before the department or the Idaho Water Resource Board (Board) is otherwise provided by statute, any person aggrieved by any final decision, determination, order or action of the Director of the department and who has not previously been afforded an opportunity for a hearing on the matter may request a hearing pursuant to section 42-1701A(3), Idaho Code. A written petition contesting the action of the Director and requesting a hearing shall be filed within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the denial or conditional approval.

ORAL ARGUMENT

If the Director grants a petition to review the preliminary order, the Director shall allow all parties an opportunity to file briefs in support of or taking exceptions to the preliminary order and may schedule oral argument in the matter before issuing a final order. If oral arguments are to be heard, the Director will within a reasonable time period notify each party of the place, date and hour for the argument of the case. Unless the Director orders otherwise, all oral arguments will be heard in Boise, Idaho.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

All exceptions, briefs, requests for oral argument and any other matters filed with the Director in connection with the preliminary order shall be served on all other parties to the proceedings in accordance with IDAPA Rules 37.01.01302 and 37.01.01303 (Rules of Procedure 302 and 303).

FINAL ORDER

The Director will issue a final order within fifty-six (56) days of receipt of the written briefs, oral argument or response to briefs, whichever is later, unless waived by the parties or for good cause shown. The Director may remand the matter for further evidentiary hearings if further factual development of the record is necessary before issuing a final order. The department will serve a copy of the final order on all parties of record.

Section 67-5246(5), Idaho Code, provides as follows:

Unless a different date is stated in a final order, the order is effective fourteen (14) days after its issuance if a party has not filed a petition for reconsideration. If a party has filed a petition for reconsideration with the agency head, the final order becomes effective when:

- (a) the petition for reconsideration is disposed of; or
- (b) the petition is deemed denied because the agency head did not dispose of the petition within twenty-one (21) days.

APPEAL OF FINAL ORDER TO DISTRICT COURT

Pursuant to sections 67-5270 and 67-5272, Idaho Code, if this preliminary order becomes final, any party aggrieved by the final order or orders previously issued in this case may appeal the final order and all previously issued orders in this case to district court by filing a petition in the district court of the county in which:

- i. A hearing was held,
- ii. The final agency action was taken,
- iii. The party seeking review of the order resides, or
- iv. The real property or personal property that was the subject of the agency action is located.

The appeal must be filed within twenty-eight (28) days of this preliminary order becoming final. See section 67-5273, Idaho Code. The filing of an appeal to district court does not itself stay the effectiveness or enforcement of the order under appeal.



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May 15, 2002

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C/O SCOTT NELSON
PO BOX 53
PARIS ID 83261

RE: Transfer No. 4594

Dear Water Right Holder:

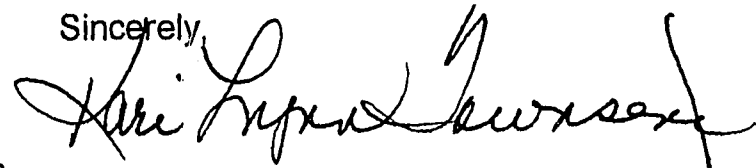
During a review of our water right database, we discovered an error in the period of use for Water Right Nos. 11-911, 11-919, 11-920, 11-922 and 11-923 as shown in the transfer approval referenced above. The period of use for those water rights was incorrectly described as April 15 through October 15 on the transfer approval document rather than the decreed period of use of April 15 through September 30. The purpose of the enclosed order is to correct that error. We have also enclosed a computer-generated report for the water rights showing the corrected period of use.

The enclosed **PRELIMINARY ORDER CORRECTING TRANSFER APPROVAL** is issued by the Department pursuant to section 67-5243, Idaho Code. It can and will become a final order without further action by the Department unless the water right owner petitions for reconsideration or files an exception and/or brief within fourteen (14) days of the service date as described in the enclosed information sheet.

Please note that water right owners are required to report any change of water right ownership and/or mailing address to the Department within 120 days of the change. Failure to report these changes could result in a \$100 late filing fee. Contact any office of the Department or visit the Department's homepage on the Internet to obtain the proper forms and instructions.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 208-327-7940.

Sincerely,


for Jeff Peppersack, Manager
Water Right Permits Section

JP:klt

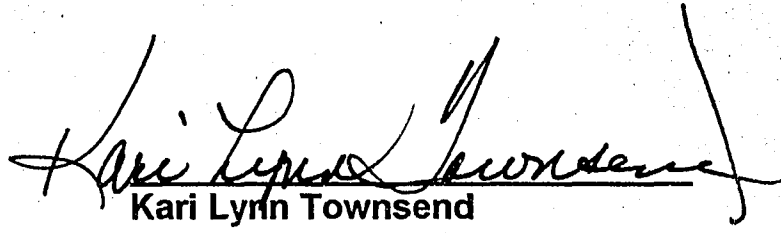
Enclosure(s)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on **May 15, 2002**, I mailed a true and correct copy, certified, postage prepaid, of the foregoing **PRELIMINARY ORDER** to the person(s) listed below:

RE: Transfer No. 4594

**FERN KEETCH
C/O SCOTT NELSON
PO BOX 53
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**Kari Lynn Townsend
Secretary**