

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 14, 2024
To: Transfer 89378
From: Christian Stewart
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to change place of use for a 4.2 acre, .05 CFS, and 14.7 AF portion of water right 22-7681. The split portion of the water right has been assigned water right number 22-14618.

Authority to File: Thomas and Lexie Hill are the owners of record for water right 22-7681. Tankgockey IDRE LLC has entered into a purchase-and-sale agreement with Rocky Mountain Water Exchange LLC (RMWE) for a portion of water right 22-7681. The application included a signed document of consent from Thomas and Lexie Hill for the sale of water right 22-7681 to third parties by RMWE. Teton County Parcels lists Tankgockey IDRE LLC as the owner of the proposed place of use. The point of diversion remains the same, and is owned by Thomas and Lexie Hill, who signed the application.

Water Right Validity: Water right 22-7681 was licensed on 10/19/2000. Aerial imagery cannot identify any 5-year periods of non-use for the acres involved in this transfer. Water right 22-7681 was most recently included in transfer approval 89362. No forfeiture issues identified.

Injury to Other Water Rights: The application was not protested. The water right is not in a water district; no watermaster was contacted. The applicant proposes to pump water from the existing well used for 22-7681. No injury issues identified.

Enlargement of Use: This transfer does not propose an increase in the diversion rate, volume, or acres authorized for irrigation by this right. Overlapping water right 22-86B for irrigation from the Teton River overlaps the place of use. According to the right holder 22-86B is physically and administratively undeliverable and has not been used in many years. The right holder indicated that water right 22-7681 has been the primary irrigation source for the property. 22-86B was included as an associated right in the transfer application and a .05 CFS, 4.2 acres, and 14.7 AF portion of 22-86B will be abandoned upon transfer approval. No enlargement issues identified.

Local Public interest: No issues identified.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources: No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.