

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 25, 2024
To: Transfer 89321
From: Christian Stewart
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes adding two points of diversion, V Schwendiman Pump and RB Ricks Pump, to water rights 22-195 and 22-196. Both pumps are located on the Teton River. The transfer also removes an unnecessary point of injection and corrects the legal description for an existing point of diversion. The proposed added points of diversion will divert Canyon Creek water from pump stations on the Teton River.

Authority to File: The applicant, Canyon Creek Canal Company, Inc, is the owner of record for water rights 22-195 and 22-196. Canyon Creek Canal Company is an active irrigation organization per IDWR records. The application was signed by David Schwendiman. The application notes that the applicant has existing license/easement agreements with the Bureau of Reclamation, the landowner at the proposed PODs in the transfer. Other water rights are diverted by private water right holders at the proposed points of diversion.

Water Right Validity: The SRBA court issued a partial decree for water rights 22-195 and 22-196 on Oct 31, 2012.

Injury to Other Water Rights: No injury concerns identified. IDWR received no protests for this application. The watermaster did not identify any injury concerns. The proposed points of diversion are located in-between existing authorized points of diversion for the same water rights.

Enlargement of Use: No issues identified. The additional points of diversion physically pump water from the Teton River, a more reliable water source than Canyon Creek. The source of water on the water rights remains Canyon Creek. Conditions limit diversion to the quantity of water available and in priority at Canyon Creek at the Canyon Creek Canal location to prevent enlargement.

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.