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Director Mathew Weaver

January 9, 2025

BELLEVUE FARMS LANDOWNERS ASSOCIATION INC
C/O PHIL VANDERHOEF PRESIDENT
PO BOX 774
BELLEVUE ID 83313

**RE: LEASED WATER RIGHT NOS 37-21863, 37-21880, 37-21897, 37-21914, 37-21931,
37-21976 RELEASED FROM THE WATER SUPPLY BANK**

Dear Lessor:

On November 12, 2024, the Department of Water Resources (Department) received your request to release only a portion of the water rights under Water Supply Bank (Bank) Lease Contract 1597 executed on March 8, 2023. On November 12, 2024, you were informed via email from the Department that the release form was not the appropriate form, and new lease applications along with the appropriate filing fee would be required to reduce the number of acres leased into the Board's bank under a new lease contract.

On January 7, 2025, the Department received your new lease applications for the above water rights with a reduction in the number of acres offered and a start date of 1/1/2025, thereby concluding Lease Contract 1597 on 12/31/2024. **At this time the Department acknowledges that the Bank Lease Contract for 27.7 acres of Irrigation for water right(s) 37-21863, 37-21880, 37-21897, 37-21914, 37-21931, and 37-21976 is concluded with an effective date of 12/31/2024 releasing the right(s) from the Bank.**

If you have any questions, please contact me at (208) 287-4936.

Sincerely,

Mary Condon
Water Supply Bank Coordinator

c: Water District 37 Watermaster
IDWR Southern Regional Office

Condon, Mary

From: Condon, Mary
Sent: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 1:59 PM
To: Skinner, Corey; watermanager@wd37.org; watermstr
Cc: Bank
Subject: Bellevue Farms LOA Early Conclusion for Lease Contract 1597
Attachments: WSB Early Conclusion Lease Contract 1597 Bellevue Farms LOA.pdf

Good afternoon,

Please see the attached letter going out in tomorrow's mail for your records.

The entirety of the water rights is considered released from the Board's bank as of 12/31/2024 to accommodate their pending transfer application. They have filed a new lease application for the post-transfer acres with a requested start in 2025.

Best,
Mary

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From: Condon, Mary
Sent: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 12:16 PM
To: Phil VanDerhoef <philvanderhoef@gmail.com>
Cc: Skinner, Corey <Corey.Skinner@idwr.idaho.gov>; Derek & Janet Wolfley <derek.wolfley@powereng.com>; Bank <Bank@idwr.idaho.gov>; Steve & Kathleen Wilson <Steve.wilson@highcountryfusion.com>; Zach Latham <zach.latham@brockwayeng.com>
Subject: RE: Bellevue Farms water rights transfer

Phil,

I have concluded Lease Contract 1597 on 12/31/2024 in response to the new, reduced lease request for 2025. The transfer on these water rights 37-21863, et al, can be processed.

The new lease application for a requested start in 2025 has been received and will be processed in the order received with other lease applications. It is likely the new lease will not be processed until much later this year, as we prioritize reviewing rental applications during the winter into spring.

A letter regarding this matter will be drafted and sent shortly.

Best,

Mary

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From: Phil VanDerhoef <philvanderhoef@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 11:59 AM

To: Condon, Mary <Mary.Condon@idwr.idaho.gov>

Cc: Skinner, Corey <Corey.Skinner@idwr.idaho.gov>; Derek & Janet Wolfley <derek.wolfley@powereng.com>; Bank <Bank@idwr.idaho.gov>; Steve & Kathleen Wilson <Steve.wilson@highcountryfusion.com>; Zach Latham <zach.latham@brockwayeng.com>

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Hi, Mary. I hope you had nice holiday time and Happy New Year.

I am hoping you have had a chance to review the lease applications we sent. I would like to confirm that we have done everything we need to in order to (1) transfer 9 acres of rights and (2) lease the remaining acres of rights.

Can you please confirm that or let us know what more needs to be done? I am happy to talk on the phone (206-715-8900) if that is easier.

Thank you so much.

On Mon, Dec 30, 2024, 9:31 AM Condon, Mary <Mary.Condon@idwr.idaho.gov> wrote:

Phil,

A water right leased into the Board's bank that is also rented cannot be removed from the bank or transferred. The current rental agreement against the leased water right ends 12/31/2024, so an action on the lease can be taken for 2025. A request to release a water right from the Board's bank form can only be used to cancel the entire contract and cannot be used to remove only a portion of a leased water right. If you would prefer to cancel the entire lease contract, please submit a new release form with an effective date of 12/31/2024.

In order to release only the 9-acre portion to be transferred, Bellevue Farms LOA will need to file new lease applications for the water rights, along with the filing fee of \$500, for the reduced amount (18 acres). This action would end the current contract on 12/31/2024, while also creating a new contract to begin in 2025 for the term of your choosing. I've attached a lease application form for your convenience. The Start Year should be 2025. Please note that a new rental application has been submitted to our Department to rent these water rights beginning in 2025, but I will mark these leased water rights as unavailable for rental if you will be submitting a new lease application for 2025 to change the acres leased in so that the transfer is not prolonged further.

Happy Holidays,

Mary

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Water Supply Bank Program Coordinator



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From: Phil VanDerhoef <philvanderhoef@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, December 23, 2024 6:02 PM

To: Condon, Mary <Mary.Condon@idwr.idaho.gov>

Cc: Skinner, Corey <Corey.Skinner@idwr.idaho.gov>; Derek & Janet Wolfley <derek.wolfley@powereng.com>; Steve & Kathleen Wilson <Steve.wilson@highcountryfusion.com>

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Mary,

I don't know if you recall this matter, but we took one course, was told we needed something different, and now here something different again. So, I would like to talk with you and get some specific directions. Would that be possible?

If so, I am traveling out of the country but could talk later on the 26th or on the 27th if there would be a time that works for you.

We filed an application to transfer a portion (9 of 27 acres) of our water rights. They are presently leased to the bank and leased from the bank. The lease to the current user expires 12/31. We were told we needed to take additional steps and were but when we asked about a specific point, learned that we may have the wrong approach.

We need to figure out exactly what we need to do. We also need to make sure that a new lease from the bank does not occur or will not interfere with the transfer.

I hope we can talk and figure it out.

I hope your holidays are happy!

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REQUEST TO RELEASE A WATER RIGHT FROM THE BANK

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Water Right No: 37-21863

Name(s) of Lessor(s): Bellevue Farms Landowners Association, Inc.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 774

City: Bellevue State: ID Zip: 83313

Telephone No: 206-715-8900 Email Address: bellevuefarmslandowners@gmail.com

Lease Contract Expiration Date: December 2027

Requested Release Date: January 1, 2025

Reason for Early Release:

Request to release ONLY 9 acres of water rights associated with Water Supply Bank lease 1597 in order for
water right transfer application 89217 to be approved.


Signature of Lessor

Philip VanDerhoef, President

Printed Name and Title*

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Date

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City: Bellevue

State: ID

Zip: 83313

Telephone No: 206-715-8900

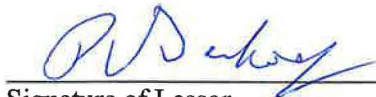
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City: Bellevue

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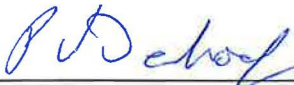
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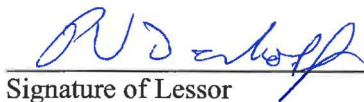
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