

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT No. 1826

This Lease Contract ("Lease") is between the Idaho Water Resource Board ("Board"), and

LESSOR: WOOD RIVER LAND TRUST CO
119 E BULLION ST
HAILEY, ID 83333-8770

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RECITALS

1. The Board is authorized under chapter 17, title 42, Idaho Code to operate a water supply bank and to contract with lessors to act as an intermediary in facilitating the rental of water.
2. The Lessor has filed a completed application to lease water rights described below into the Water Supply Bank on forms supplied by the Idaho Department of Water Resources and received by the Department on January 08, 2024.
3. The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources has reviewed the application for compliance with the Water Supply Bank rules and has approved the Lease subject to conditions listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and contracts herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **WATER RIGHTS:** The Lessor shall lease and the Board shall accept into the Bank the Applicant's water rights described as follows:

Summary of Water Rights or Portions Leased to the Bank

Water Right No.	Priority Date	Source	Diversion Rate (CFS)	Diversion Volume (AF)	Acres (AC)
37-2386	5/27/1919	UNNAMED STREAM, tributary to WILLOW CREEK	0.40	Not Stated	20.0
37-2505	6/9/1949	GROUND WATER	0.80	140	40.0
Combined Limit Totals			0.80	Not Stated	40.0
Combined Lease Totals			0.80	140	40.0

Summary of Water Rights Elements Rentable From the Bank

Water Right	Diversion Rate (CFS)	Diversion Volume (AF)	Acres (Limited) (AC)	Rate Per Acre (CFS/AC)	Volume Per Acre (AF/AC)
37-2386	0.40	70.0	20.0	0.02	3.5
37-2505	0.80	140	40.0	0.02	3.5
Combined Limit Totals	0.80	140	40.0	0.02	3.5

* The water right elements rentable have been changed from the water right elements leased to account for the inclusion of a diversion volume for water right 37-2386.

SUPPORT DATA IN FILE # 37-2386
IN FILE # 37-2386 SUPPORT DATA

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2. **COMPENSATION:** The Lessor shall accept and the Board shall pay compensation determined by the amount of water rented under the following rental rate during such times as the water is rented from the Bank over the term of this Lease.

Minimum Payment Acceptable: Current Rental Rate

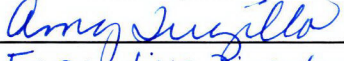
3. **TERM OF LEASE:** The term of this lease shall be January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2028. This Lease shall bind the parties and take effect when both parties have signed it.
4. **WATER SUPPLY BANK CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE:** The Lessor shall abide by all terms and conditions contained in the Water Supply Bank Conditions of Acceptance, attached hereto as "Attachment A" and incorporated herein by this reference.
5. **CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT:** This lease specifies water right elements including but not limited to: diversion rates; diversion volumes; number of acres authorized to be irrigated; places of use; points of diversion; beneficial uses; and seasons of use. During the term of this lease, if a water right is administratively changed due to a water right split and renumbering, this lease may be reduced by an equal amount to reflect the water right elements as legally defined under the water right. If a lease contract cannot be reduced sufficient to reflect the legal definition of a water right as amended through a water right split and/or water right transfer, the Board may release the water right from the Water Supply Bank.
6. **ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT:** This lease is between the Board and the Lessor, who is the recognized owner or designated representative of the recognized owners of water rights described herein. Should ownership of any part of a water right herein described change during the term of this lease, either through a water right split, a water right transfer, sale of property to which the water right is appurtenant, or through any other recognized water right reassignment, the lease benefits and obligations to the conditions of acceptance for any such water rights will be assigned to the new owners.
7. **DUPLICATE ORIGINAL:** This Lease is executed in duplicate. Each of the documents with an original signature of each party shall be an original.

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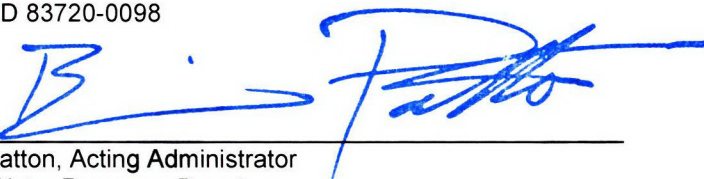
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract on the date following their respective signatures.

LESSOR: WOOD RIVER LAND TRUST CO
119 E BULLION ST
HAILEY, ID 83333-8770

By 
Title Executive Director
Date 3/15/24

IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD
322 East Front Street
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

By 
Brian Patton, Acting Administrator
Idaho Water Resource Board

Date 3/20/24

Lease approved by IDWR 

Date 3/20/24

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ATTACHMENT A WATER SUPPLY BANK CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

The water rights or portions thereof leased to the bank are described as follows:

Source and Location of Point(s) of Diversion for Water Right No(s): 37-2505

GROUND WATER NESWNE Sec. 13 Twp 01S Rge 18E BLAINE County

Source and Location of Point(s) of Diversion for Water Right No(s): 37-2386

UNNAMED STREAM NWNENE Sec. 13 Twp 01S Rge 18E BLAINE County

Water Right	Beneficial Use	Season of Use			Diversion Rate (CFS)	Volume (AF)
		From	to	To		
37-2505	IRRIGATION	04/15	to	10/31	0.80 cfs	140 AF
37-2386	IRRIGATION	04/15	to	10/31	0.40 cfs	Not Stated
Totals:					0.40 cfs	140 AF

PLACES OF USE TO BE IDLED UNDER THIS LEASE: IRRIGATION

Twp	Rng	Sec	NE				NW				SW				SE				Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
01S	18E	13			13										2.0	25			40.0

Total Acres: 40.0

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

1. The water rights referenced above will be rented from the bank at the current rental rate.
2. There is no rental payment to the lessor of the water right if the right or a part thereof is not rented from the bank.
3. While a right is in the bank, the lessor may not use the right without approval of the Department even if the right is not rented from the bank. Any violation of the terms of this lease may result in enforcement procedures pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-351 for illegal diversion and use of water and may include civil penalties pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701B.
4. A right accepted into the bank stays in the bank until the Board releases it, or the lease term expires. A right may be released from the bank upon request, provided the Board approves the release. Unless approved by the Department, leased rights may not be immediately available for release.
5. While a water right is in the bank, forfeiture provisions are stayed pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-223(5).
6. Rental of water under this right is subject to the limitations and conditions of approval of the water right.
7. Failure of the right holder to comply with the conditions of acceptance is cause for the Director to rescind acceptance of the lease.

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8. Acceptance of a right into the bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the right or any elements of the water right, or improve the status of the right including the notion of resumption of use. It does not preclude the opportunity for review of the validity of this water right in any other Department application process.
9. In accordance with Idaho Code § 42-248 and § 42-1409(6), all owners of water rights are required to notify the Department of any changes in mailing address or change in ownership of all or part of a water right. Notice must be provided within 120 days of the change.
10. If a water right leased into the Water Supply Bank is sold or conveyed during the lease term, and if the leased right was rented, the rental proceeds will be disbursed in the following manner regardless of any arrangements between the buyer(s) and seller(s) to the contrary:
 - a. Rental payments will go to the lessor(s) of record at the beginning of the rental season, even if the Department processes a Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership during the rental season.
 - b. New lessor(s) of record will receive payment for any subsequent rental seasons.
11. The water right(s) is leased to the bank subject to all prior water rights and shall be administered in accordance with Idaho law and applicable rules of the Department of Water Resources.
12. The unleased portion of 37-2505 shall not exceed a total diversion rate of 0.60 cfs, a total annual maximum diversion volume of 105 af at the field headgate, and the irrigation of 30 acres.
13. Rights 37-2386 and 37-2505 when combined shall provide no more than 0.02 cfs per acre.
14. Right 37-2836 shall not exceed the irrigation of 20.0 acres.
15. Use of water under this right may be regulated by a watermaster with responsibility for the distribution of water among appropriators within a water district. At the time of this approval, this water right is within State Water District No. 37.

STATE OF IDAHO
WATER RESOURCE BOARD

**APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK**

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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

Designated Applicant Wood River Land Trust Company / Amy Trujillo
(Select one owner – see item 1A on the application)

Water Right No. 37-2386
(One water right per application)

Is this application being submitted with a rental application as a lease/rental package?

Yes ☐ No ☒

This application must be prepared in accordance with the minimum requirement checklist below. Use this checklist to ensure all necessary documentation has been provided. This checklist is part of the lease application and must be included with the lease application. **Applications that do not meet the minimum requirements will not be processed and may be returned or denied.**

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

All items must be checked as either *Attached (Yes)* or *Not Applicable (N/A)*

Yes

- ☒ Completed *Application to Sell or Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank*.
- ☒ Application filing fee of \$250.00 per water right. If you are submitting more than one lease application and the water rights have an overlapping, common place of use, or a common diversion rate or volume, the total fee for all water rights is \$500.00. For places of use, multiple water rights must be used to irrigate the same lands in order to qualify for the joint filing fee. Individual filing fees are required for water rights that share a common permissible place of use but which cover separate acres within the permissible place of use.
- ☒ Confirmation this form has been printed **single sided**, per requirement of the Water Supply Bank.

Attachment N/A Yes

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|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 1A | ☐ | ☒ | Signatures and contact information for <i>all owners</i> of the water right to be leased or sold on this application. |
| 1B | ☐ | ☒ | An <u>Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form W-9</u> for the Designated Applicant. |
| 1C | ☒ | ☐ | <i>Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership</i> form (accessible from www.idwr.idaho.gov). |
| 1D | ☒ | ☐ | Contact information for an authorized representative and documentary proof they are authorized to represent the Designated Applicant on this application. If the Designated Applicant is a business, partnership, municipality, organization or association, include documents identifying officers authorized to sign or act on behalf of the entity. |
| 2 | ☒ | ☐ | Description of a water right portion offered to the Water Supply Bank. |
| 3 | ☐ | ☒ | A map that clearly outlines the specific location where irrigated acres will be dried up, or where a beneficial use of water will be suspended. You have the option of printing a map using the map tool on IDWR's website at: www.idwr.idaho.gov . |
| 4A | ☒ | ☐ | Written consent from irrigation district or water delivery company. |
| 4G | ☐ | ☒ | Evidence demonstrating the water right has not been forfeited pursuant to <u>Section 42-222(2), Idaho Code</u> . |

Department Use Only

Fee Amount \$ <u>250.00</u>	Received By: <u>Km</u>	Date Received: <u>1.8.24</u>	Receipt # <u>C117612</u>
W-9 received? Yes ☒ No ☐ (Route W-9 to Fiscal)		Name on W-9: <u>Wood River Land Trust Company</u>	

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APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
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1. CONTACT INFORMATION

- A. This application must be completed by a Designated Applicant who is a current owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank. If there are additional current owners, those individuals must authorize the Designated Applicant to represent them on this application by completing and signing Attachment 1A of this application package.

Designated Applicant Wood River Land Trust Company

Mailing Address 119 E. Bullion St. Hailey Idaho 83333
Street City State Zip Code

Email Address keri@woodriverlandtrust.org Phone Number 208-788-3947

☒ The Designated Applicant is the sole owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank.

OR

☐ The Designated Applicant is representing additional water right holders who have completed Attachment 1A.

- B. Has the Designated Applicant submitted an IRS Form W-9 to this Department within the last 2 years? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, complete the form and attach to this application (Attachment 1B).

- C. Are all applicants on this form listed in IDWR's records as the current owners of the water right? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, attach a *Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership* form along with the required documentation and fee (Attachment 1C).

- D. Is this application being completed by an authorized representative of the Designated Applicant? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, representatives (includes employees of Designated Applicant companies) must complete this section and submit documentary proof of their authority to represent the Designated Applicant (Attachment 1D).

Name of Representative _____ Organization _____

Professional Title _____ Email Address _____

Mailing Address _____ Phone Number _____

☐ Send all correspondence for this application to the representative and not to the Designated Applicant.

OR

☐ Send original correspondence to the Designated Applicant and copies to the representative.

2. DESCRIPTION OF WATER RIGHT OFFERED TO THE BANK

☒ The full water right is being offered to the Bank.

OR

☐ A part of the water right is being offered to the Bank.

If a portion of the water right is being offered, **complete Attachment 2.**

3. MAP

Attach a map of the point(s) of diversion and place(s) of use proposed to be idled by this lease application. Make sure the idled place of use is outlined and annotated with legal land descriptions (Township, Range, Section and Quarter-Quarters) or with GPS coordinates. For irrigation purposes, mark the number of acres you desire to idle. If the water right proposed for lease is located within a permissible place of use (PPU) and portions of the PPU will continue to receive water from non-leased water rights, clearly outline on a map the acres within the PPU that will continue to be irrigated, as well as acres that will be idled during the lease term. Label the map **Attachment 3.**

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4. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. Is the diversion works or system owned or managed by an irrigation district or water delivery company? Yes ☐ No ☐
If yes, provide written consent from the company, corporation or irrigation district authorizing the proposed sale or lease (Attachment 4A).

If your water right is delivered through a canal, lateral or ditch operated by a canal company, irrigation district, or similar delivery entity, your lease request must include written consent from the company, district, or similar entity for your removal of water from its system pursuant to [Section 42-108, Idaho Code](#) and [IDAPA WSB Rule 37.02.03.25.02e](#).

- B. Please provide a description of the current water diversion and delivery system.

Water was historically delivered to the POU via an irrigation ditch. This water right has been in the water supply bank since 2014.

- C. Describe any other water rights used for the same purpose at the same place of use as the water right being offered to the Bank. Water rights 37-2386 and 37-2505 are combined and have the same place of use.

- D. Are any of the water rights identified in Section 4C stacked with the water right proposed for lease? Yes ☒ No ☐

Stacked water rights are used together to achieve a common beneficial use, such as irrigation of the same lands. Stacked water rights cannot be separated and must be jointly leased to the Water Supply Bank. Stacked water rights qualify for the multiple fee payment of \$500.

- E. Will the present place of use continue to receive water from any other source? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, explain the relationship between the different water sources and how enlargement of the authorized use will not occur if this water right is leased. 30 acres within the POU will continue to be irrigated by water right 37-2505.

- F. Identify annual volumes and/or rates of water diverted in the last 5 years to accomplish the beneficial use authorized by this water right. This water right has been banked since 2014.

- G. Has any portion of this water right undergone a period of five or more consecutive years of non-use? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, describe the circumstances and attach evidence to demonstrate how the water right has not been lost through forfeiture (Attachment 4G). See [Section 42-223, Idaho Code](#) for exceptions to forfeiture. Your application may be denied if forfeiture concerns are not addressed. The fifth judicial court in county of Twin Falls, Idaho, issued a partial decree for this water right on June 4, 2009, so there is no cause for forfeiture.

- H. Is this water right involved in any other IDWR process, such as an application for transfer or a mitigation plan?

If yes, describe. Yes ☒ No ☒

There has been no change since the previous water supply bank application.

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5. SALE/LEASE AGREEMENT

- A. Is the water right, or portion thereof, offered to the Idaho Water Resource Board (IWRB) for sale ☐ or lease ☒?

If lease, specify the years when the use of water will be suspended: 2024 to 2029 (maximum lease period 5 calendar years).
(Year) (Year)

- B. Show the minimum payment acceptable to the seller/lessor. The minimum payment may be shown as the "current rental rate" as established by the IWRB. Include the method of determining the minimum payment if other than the current rental rate.

Current rental rate

I hereby assert that the information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge, and that I have the authorities necessary to offer this water right for sale or lease to the Idaho Water Resource Board.

The Designated Applicant acknowledges the following:

1. Payment to the Designated Applicant is contingent upon the sale or rental of the water right from the Bank.
2. While a water right is in the Bank, the seller/lessor of the water right may not use the water right, even if the water right is not rented from the Bank.
3. A water right accepted into the Bank stays in the Bank until the Designated Applicant receives written confirmation from the Board or Water Supply Bank that the water right has been released from the Bank.
4. While a water right is in the Bank, forfeiture is stayed.
5. Acceptance of a water right into the Bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the water right or any element of the water right.

Amy Trujillo
Signature of Designated Applicant

Amy Trujillo, Executive Director
Printed Name

12/22/23
Date

Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

Date

Mail to:
Idaho Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

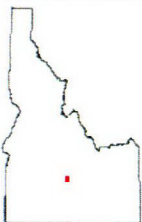
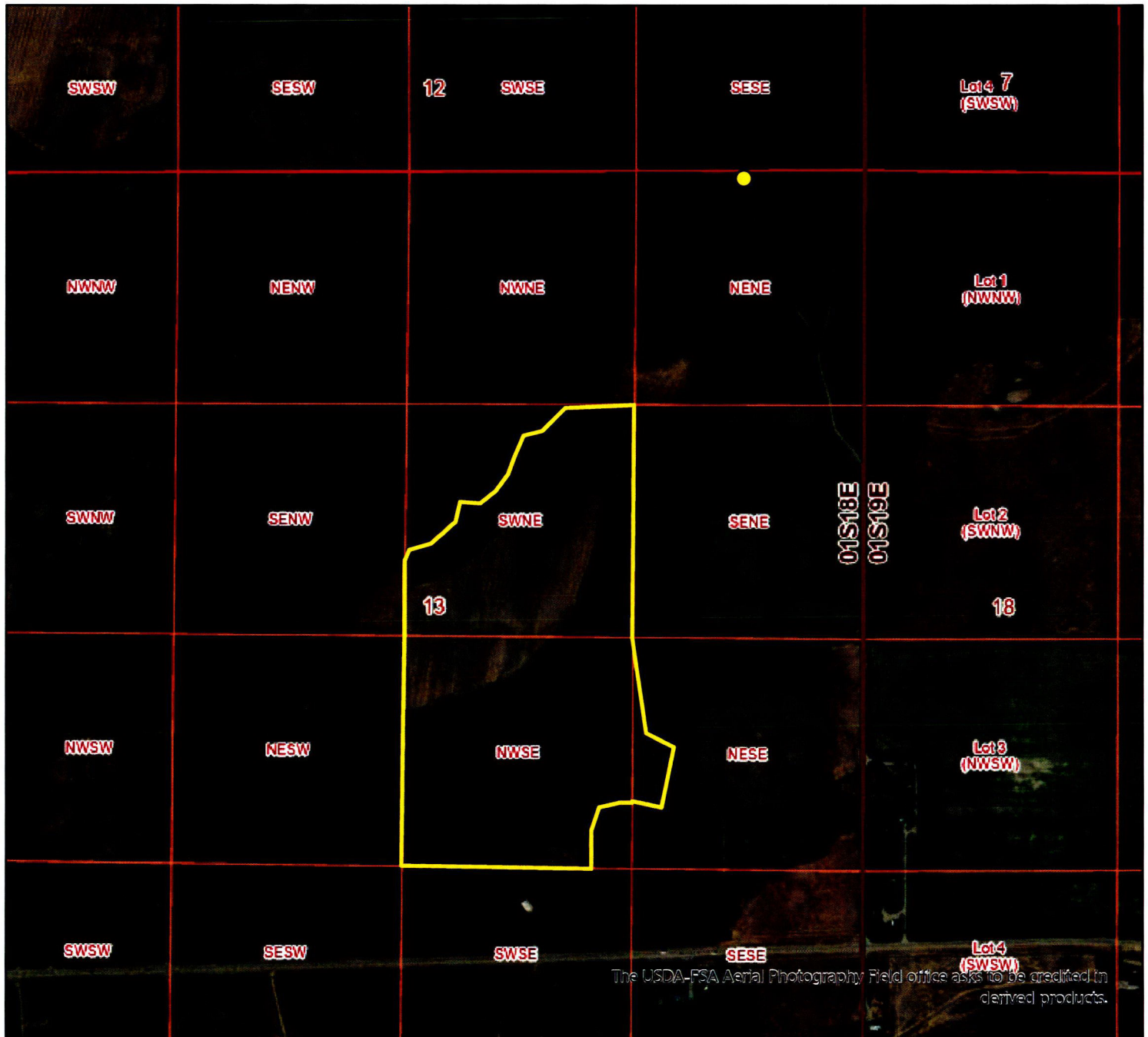
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Water Right

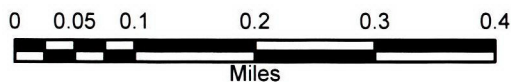
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IRRIGATION

The map depicts the place of use for the water use listed above and point(s) of diversion of this right as currently derived from interpretations of the paper records and is used solely for illustrative purposes. Discrepancies between the computer representation and the permanent document file will be resolved in favor of the actual water right documents in the water right file.



Date created: 12/22/2023



Legend

- Quarter Quarters
- PLS Sections
- Townships
- Place of Use Boundary
- Point of Diversion



WSB Mailing Checklist for Leases

Instructions: Staple to outside of lowest numbered water right file during processing.

Key: Who Completes What?

CLERICAL STAFF: MK

REVIEWER: SC

Received Date

1/8/2024

Desired Lease Duration

2024-2028

Lease / Rental Package

Y

N

If yes, Renter Name:

Application # 2883

Contract # 1826

WR#s		#
		37-2386
#	37-2505	#
#		#
#		#
#		#
#		#
#		#
#		#

Applicant Authorized?

Y / N

Multiple owners, Attach 1A included?

Y / N NA

If portion is offered, Attach 2 included?

Y / N NA

Map of POU and POD?

Y / N NA

POD Consent (if required)?

Y / N NA

Application Complete?

Y / N

Minimum checklist in data base?

☐

Request for additional information letter sent:

Y NA

Stacked Water Rights Need to be Leased?

☐

WSB Action Request for deficiencies

☐

If checked, list water rights:

If the WR owner provided a different address on the application than what's in our database, update address in workflow.

Mailings (per lease application)

Designated

Applicant: Wood River Land Trust Company

CC

Original

☐

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EMAIL:

Attorney:

☐

☐

EMAIL:

Consultants

Name:

☐

Comments:

Watermaster:

Sunny Healey

☒

Delivery Entity:

☐

Water District:

37

☒

Ground Water District:

South valley

☒

Region:

Southwestern

☒

Other:

☐

Address:

☐

• auth to sign - A. Trujillo
listed on company website
woodriverlandtrust.org/who-we-are/our-people

• prev contract #921

Call up Date:

DO NOT SCAN



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Governor Brad Little

Director Mathew Weaver

March 20, 2024

WOOD RIVER LAND TRUST CO
119 E BULLION ST
HAILEY, ID 83333-8770

**RE: WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT 1826
FOR WATER RIGHT 37-2386,37-2505**

Dear Lessor:

Water right **37-2386,37-2505** is leased into the Water Supply Bank (Bank) as of January 2024 in accordance with the enclosed executed lease contract. **Your water rights, as described on the lease contract, are considered leased into the Bank and should remain unused until they are formally released from the Bank.** More information and further restrictions placed on your water rights while leased can be found in conditions of acceptance of the lease contract. Read the conditions of acceptance carefully.

The right(s) will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2028**, unless the rights are released earlier by the Water Resource Board (Board). To release the water rights from the Bank prior to the release date, submit a written request on the *Request to Release a Water Right from the Bank* form. This form is available on our public website at www.idwr.idaho.gov. **Please note your water rights may not be available for immediate release if they are rented.**

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact this office at [bank @idwr.idaho.gov](mailto:bank@idwr.idaho.gov) or 208-287-4800.

Sincerely,
Signature

Cataline Beck

Enclosure: Executed Lease Contract

c: IDWR- Southern Region Office Representative
Water District No. 37
Groundwater District South Valley-



IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

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March 11, 2024

WOOD RIVER LAND TRUST CO.
119 E. BULLION ST.
HAILEY, ID 83333

**RE: APPLICATION TO LEASE WATER RIGHTS 37-2546B, 37-2386, AND 37-2505 TO THE
WATER SUPPLY BANK CONTRACTS 1824 AND 1826**

******TIME SENSITIVE RESPONSE REQUIRED******

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Water Resources has completed its review of your application to lease the above-mentioned water right to the Water Supply Bank. **I have enclosed two original Water Supply Bank Lease Contracts for your review and signature. Please sign and return ALL Lease Contracts within 14 days.** Upon signature and return of the contracts, the Department will also sign the original contracts and return an executed copy to you. The Lease Contract is not considered final until you and the Department have both signed.

The right will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2028**, unless the right is released earlier by the Board, or upon your request. To release the right from the Bank prior to the release date, submit a written request on the Request to Release a Water Right from the Bank form. To propose a new lease period, submit a new Application to Sell or Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank form along with applicable fees to the Department. These forms are available from any IDWR office or from our public website at <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov>. Please note your right may not be available for immediate release if it has been rented.

Please review the conditions of acceptance listed on the Lease Contract, including #3 which says:

"While a right is in the bank, **the lessor may not use the right** without approval of the department even if the right is not rented from the bank. Any violation of the terms of this lease may result in enforcement procedures pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-351 for illegal diversion and use of water and may include civil penalties pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701B."

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact this office at bank@idwr.idaho.gov
or
208-287-4800.

Regards,

Skyler Cheever

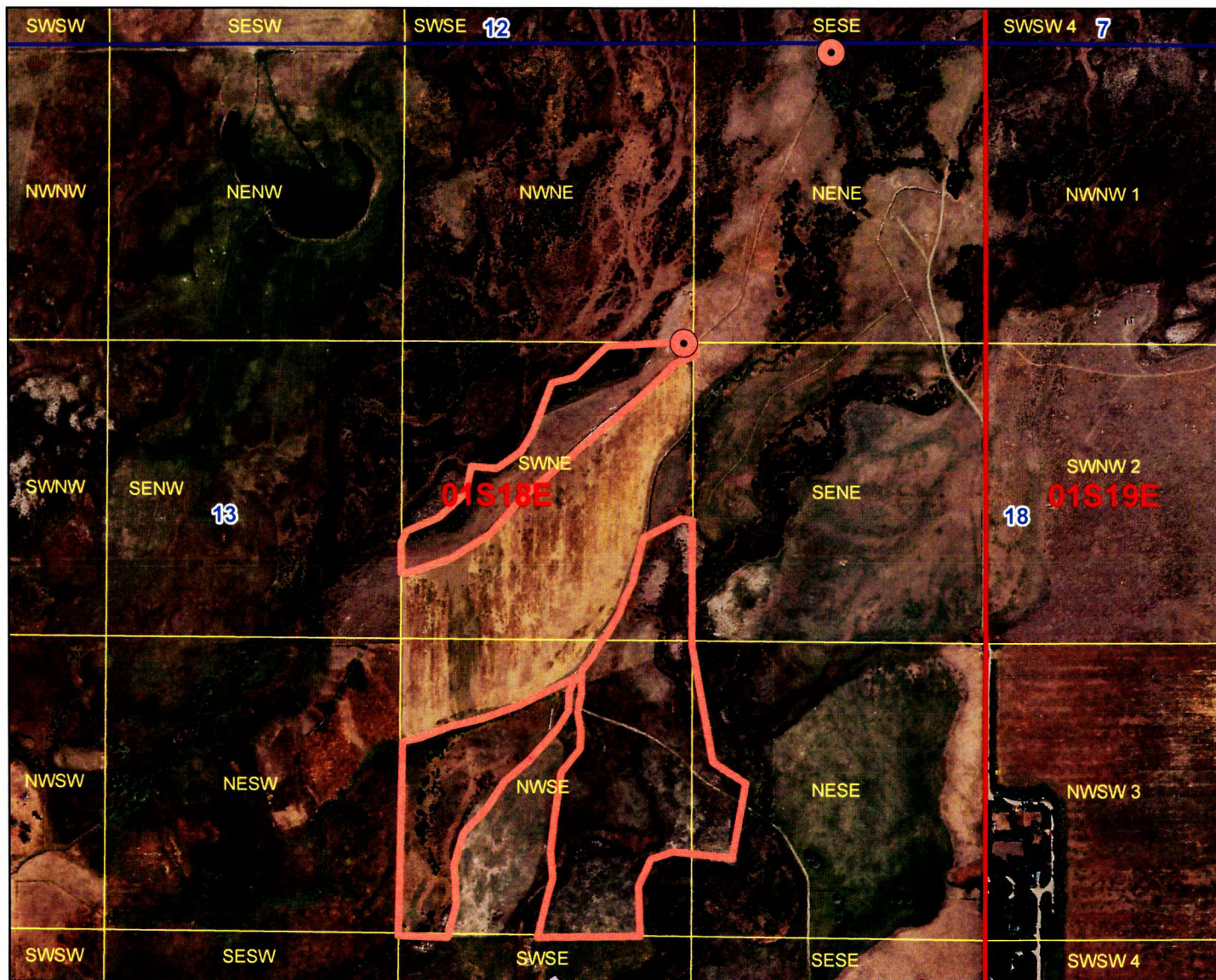
Water Resource Agent

Enclosure: Lease Contracts

Idaho Water Resource Board
Water Supply Bank Lease Contract No. 1826

37-2386, 37-2505
Effective until December 31, 2028

This map depicts the **place of use** to be idled pursuant to the lease contract and is attached to the contract solely for illustrative purposes.



-  Water Supply Bank Lease Point of Diversion
-  Water Supply Bank Lease Place of Use
-  Township/Range
-  Sections
-  QQ

MEMORANDUM FOR WSB LEASE APPLICATION # 2883

To: Water Right No(s). 37-2386, 37-2505

From: Skyler Cheever, Water Resource Agent

Date: 2/16/2024

Re: Review & Analysis of Application to Lease Water to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE:

Application 2883 was sent in by the Wood River Land Trust Co. and received on January 8th, 2024, with the correct fee payment received on the same date. The applicant proposes to lease the entirety of water right 37-2386 and a 40-acre portion of water right 37-2505 into the water supply bank from 2024-2028. The point of diversion is within the Snake River Basin and Big Wood River Moratorium Area, Big Wood River Groundwater Management Area, South Valley Groundwater District and Trust Water Area. South Valley Groundwater District was notified of this lease application. This application is intended as a renewal of contract 921 which expired on December 31st, 2023.

AUTHORITY TO FILE:

Amy Trujillo signed the application. Ms. Trujillo has the authority to file this agreement because she is the executive director of the company according to the Idaho Secretary of States Office Database. The Wood River Land Trust Co. is the current owner of water rights 37-2386 and 37-2505 according to Department records.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY:

Water rights 37-2386 and 37-2505 were decreed in 2009. The entirety of 37-2386 and the proposed portion of 37-2505 have been leased into the bank from 2014-December 31st, 2023. Any water right or portion thereof leased into to or rented from the water supply bank is likely within a valid defense to forfeiture according to Idaho Code §42-223(5). According to Section 4F of the application 30 acres of the place of use was irrigated but not in 2022-2023. The acres were idled to meet the requirements of South Valley Groundwater District per the Big Wood River GWMA Plan. The irrigated acres were only idle for two out of the five years before there could be possible forfeiture concerns according to Idaho Code §42-222 and is likely not lost to forfeiture. Therefore, enough evidence is available to the bank to conclude water rights 37-2386 and 37-2505 are likely are not lost to forfeiture and can be leased into the bank.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS:

There are no injury concerns with idling these water rights. Any injury concerns would be determined through the review of a rental application.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE:

Water rights 37-2386 and 37-2505 when combined are limited to nor more than 0.02 cfs per acre and the irrigation of 70 acres. If these rights were leased and rented separately there would likely be more diversion rate and acres irrigated than historically leading to enlargement. To prevent enlargement 37-2386 and 37-2505 should be leased together. Since a portion of 37-2505 is being leased into the bank a condition should be added limiting the unleased portion to the irrigation of 30 acres to prevent enlargement. There are no enlargement concerns.

LOCAL PUBLIC INTEREST:

Review staff has no information to suggest this application is inconsistent with the local public interest.

BENEFICIAL USE/CONSERVATION OF WATER RESOURCES:

The lease appears consistent with the conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS:

The point of diversion is within basin 37 and Water District 37. The Watermaster and Southern Regional Manager were contacted for comment on February 16th, 2024. No response was received, it is assumed there are no concerns with the applicant's proposal.

Cheever, Skyler

From: Cheever, Skyler
Sent: Friday, February 16, 2024 3:58 PM
To: Skinner, Corey; watermanager
Subject: Water Supply Bank Lease Application 2883 Wood River Land Trust Co.
Attachments: Lease Review Memo 2883.pdf; Lease 1826 Map.pdf

Hello Corey and Sunny,

I have completed my review of a Water Supply Bank Lease Application 2883 with the points of diversion within basin 37 and Water District 37. The applicant is the Wood River Land Trust Co. The applicant proposes to lease the entirety of water right 37-2386 and a 40-acre portion of 37-2505 into the water supply bank from 2024-2028. Attached is a copy of a review memo and map of the place of use. If you have any comments on the applicant's proposal or my review, please let me know within 7 days. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Best,

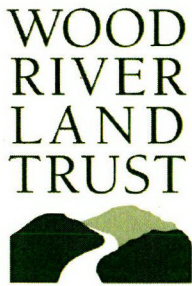
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Hi Mary,

We'd like to reapply
for the three water rights
we've had in the water
supply bank. Please let
me know if there's
anything missing.

Thanks + Happy
New Year!

- Keri York



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