

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 6, 2024
To: Transfer 88206
From: Scott Stosich
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

The purpose of this transfer is to split off the irrigation portion of water right 15-2049, and update its ownership. The transfer will also update the place of use based on the actual irrigated acres. The domestic portion of the water right will remain unchanged.

Authority to File:

The applicant is the new owner of the irrigation portion for water right 15-2049, and deeds submitted with the application, along with Oneida County parcel data, confirm the applicant owns the property of the current place of use. The property owner of the domestic portion of the water right is Melvin Tucker, and has signed a statement agreeing to the proposed changes.

Water Right Validity:

The right included in this transfer was licensed in 1974. Review of aerial photography shows growing vegetation and signs of irrigation practices. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

No other water rights will be injured by the proposed change. The place of use is being updated to match the actual irrigated acres from when it was licensed. Neither the points of diversion or quantity authorized to be diverted will change as a result of the transfer. The transfer was advertised and no protests were received.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed changes will not result in enlargement because neither the rate, volume nor irrigated acres will increase as a result. The irrigation volume is being reduced due to the decrease in overall irrigated acres, and the new volume will follow the 3.5 afa as originally licensed.

Local Public interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Effect on Economy the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Effect on Agricultural Base of the Local Area:

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.