

MEMORANDUM

Date: June 21, 2024
To: Transfer 88972
From: James Cefalo
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This application proposes to create a 550-acre combined place of use for water rights 25-2105A, 25-2105B, 25-2116A, 25-2124A, 25-2124B and 25-14123. This application also proposes to list four existing wells as authorized points of diversion on all of the water rights. The wells were interconnected in recent years to be a single irrigation system, supplying water to five center pivots and additional corner sprinklers.

Authority to File: Application was filed by Foster Company, current owner of record for the water rights. Application was signed by Boyd Foster, general partner in the company. Bonneville county parcel records confirm that Foster Company owns the existing and proposed places of use.

Water Right Validity: The SRBA Court issued partial decrees for the water rights in 2005. The property has been consistently irrigated since that time.

Injury to Other Water Rights: No issues identified. Proposed points of diversion are located within adjacent model cells, so the applicant did not provide an ESPA Transfer Tool analysis. Wells have been interconnected for many years. There should be no noticeable change in the operations of the combined system. Watermaster for Water District 120 was notified of the transfer and did not have any concerns with the proposed changes.

Enlargement of Use: No issues identified. Combined limits carried forward on transfer approval. Some combined limits that were only additive were removed as unnecessary conditions.

Local Public interest / 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.