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DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
STATEMENT OF COMPLETION
FOR SUBMITTING PROOF OF BENEFICIAL USE**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**
Amt. of Fee \$ 375.00
Receipt No. C118232
Received By KM
Date Received 4.30.24

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (Department) considers this form a statement that the permit holder(s) applied water to beneficial use and completed development of a water right to the extent described below. **This form must be accompanied by an examination fee, when necessary, or by a completed Beneficial Use Field Report prepared by a certified water right examiner (CWRE).** Please refer to the instructions and fee schedule for this form. If ownership of the permit has changed, complete a Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership form. If you wish to relinquish your permit because you have not established the authorized water use and are not applying for an extension, please notify the Department in writing.

1. Permit No. 13-8081 Name of Permit Holder(s) U.S. Dept. of Interior - Fish and Wildlife Service
Telephone No. (503) 231-6167 Email rachel_esralew@fws.gov
Mailing Address 911 NE 11th Avenue City Portland State OR Zip 97232

2. Source of Water Oxford Slough If Ground Water (well), Date Drilled mo. ____ / yr. ____
Drilling Permit/Tag No. ____ Drilling Company's Name ____

3. Extent of use(s) completed as authorized by the water right permit:

Domestic (No. households) ____ Irrigation (No. acres) ____ Stockwater (No. and stock type) ____
Other Wildlife storage on 836 acres of wetland habitat.

4. Total diversion rate or volume (storage only) for which proof is submitted ____ cfs OR 1,200.0 af
If the total developed water use is 5 acres of irrigation or less, is stockwater storage of 14.6 acre-feet or less, or has a diversion rate of less than 0.24 cfs, attach a map of the place of use and point of diversion and photographs showing beneficial use.

****Place of use map, photographs, and drawing of water control structures are attached.****

5. Describe the diversion and delivery system from the water source to the use (pump, lift, irrigation method, etc.)

Two 4-ft wide flashboard risers positioned in a dike that is approximately 4.5-ft high and 1,700 ft long allow for the diversion of surface water into the permitted storage area at the Oxford Slough Waterfowl Production Area. Water is impounded or released through the deployment or removal of stoplog boards.

6. Permit condition compliance. Refer to the permit approval conditions and check all the items required, then check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether the required items were established, submitted, and/or installed:

Required? Yes No (If "Yes", attach required data, evidence of compliance, or evidence of installation)

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| ☐ | ☐ | Ground water level data, pumping information, or other diversion data | |
| ☒ | ☒ | Mitigation plan | *Per condition #5 of our permit, one six-inch pressure board was removed from each |
| ☐ | ☐ | Lockable controlling works | of the two control structures on 6/29/23 in response to a water call on the Bear River. |
| ☒ | ☒ | Measuring device | *A staff gage and TruTrack WT-HR water level logger were installed at the east |
| ☐ | ☐ | Fish screen | control structure to monitor water surface elevation in the permitted storage area. |
| ☐ | ☐ | Other requirements of the water right permit | The gage is mounted to an 8-ft galvanized |
| ☐ | ☐ | Reasonably Anticipated Future Needs ("RAFN") Municipal use | channel iron driven 4 feet into the ground. |
- If RAFN Municipal use, additional increment of beneficial use developed? ☐ Yes (attach CWRE report) ☐ No

7. Fee Enclosed \$ 375.00 or ☐ CWRE field report attached or ☐ No fee required
See fee schedule on page 3 of the instructions. Proof statements filed without an appropriate fee are incomplete.

8. Person to contact to accompany a Department representative during the field examination of the water system:

Name: Jeremy Jirak, Refuge Manager Telephone No. (208) 847-1757 Email jeremy_jirak@fws.gov
Mailing Address P.O. Box 9 City Montpelier State ID Zip 83254

The information given on this form is my true statement of the extent to which the above numbered permit has been developed and water has been diverted and applied to beneficial use. I understand that any undeveloped portion of the permit is relinquished to the State of Idaho.

Michael P. Jirak Michael Teletic, Hydrologist,
acting for Rachel Esralew, Supervisory 4/26/24
SIGNATURE OF PERMIT HOLDER* PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Hydrologist DATE

*Attach power of attorney if completing on behalf of permit holder.

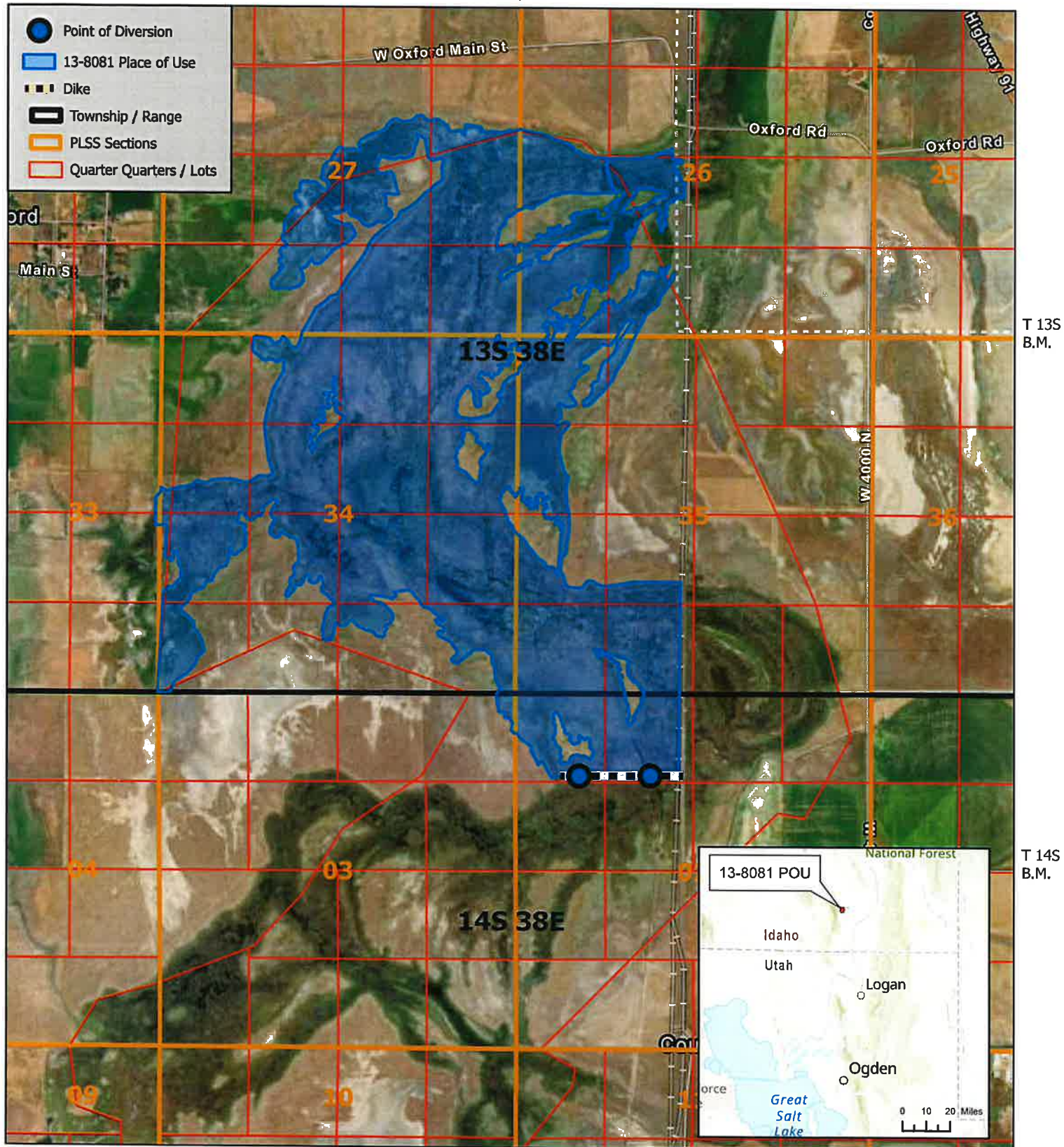


**NATIONAL
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REFUGE SYSTEM**

Oxford Slough Waterfowl Production Area

Permit 13-8081

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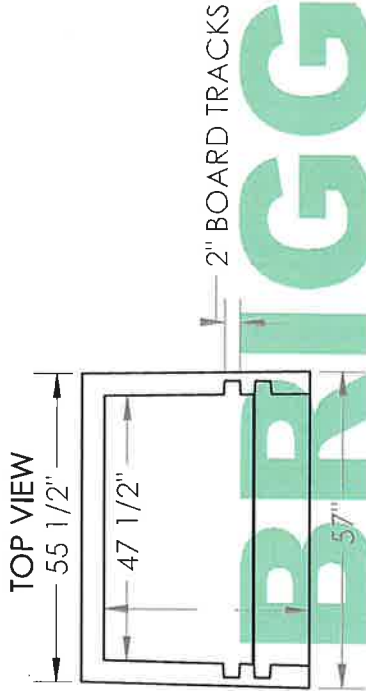


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MAP DATE: 03/14/2024

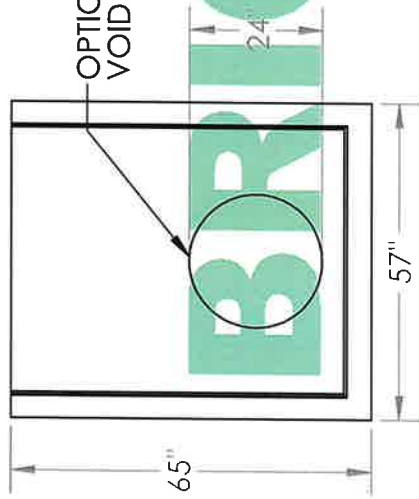
DATA SOURCES:
Basemap- Esri, Maxar, Earthstar Geographics, and the GIS User
Community; FWS Interest Layer: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service,
National Wildlife Refuge System, Division of Realty; Place of Use and
Water Control Structures: Pacific Regions Water Resources Branch
(Steve Pilson)

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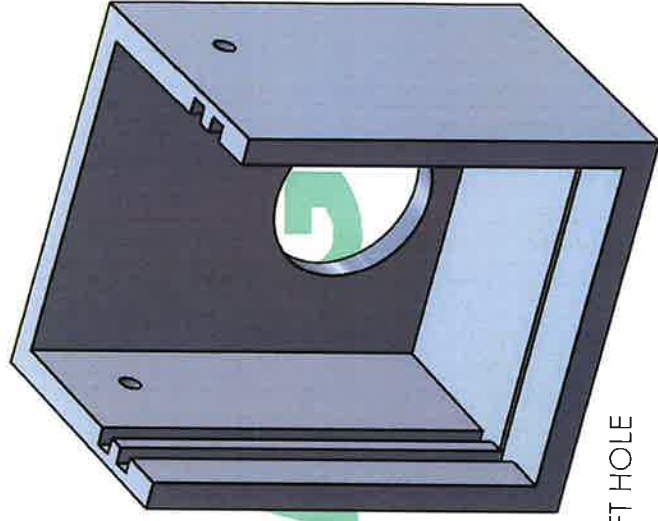
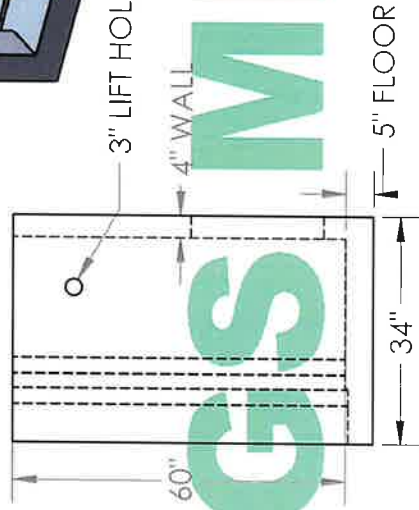




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SIDE VIEW



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NAME DATE
JANE F

****USFWS Note: the weirs installed for the subject project were 4-ft wide x 4-ft high instead of 4x5.****
TITLE:

TWIN TRACK™ WEIR 4X5

SIZE DWG. NO. REV
A **TT45**

DO NOT SCALE DRAWING

SHEET 1 OF 1



Photo 1. Installation of 4-ft wide concrete flashback riser that functions as the water control structure at one of two points of diversion. This is the easternmost of the two points of diversion and is similar to the one located at the westernmost point of diversion.
(Photo taken on 09/20/2022 by Steve Pilson, USFWS)

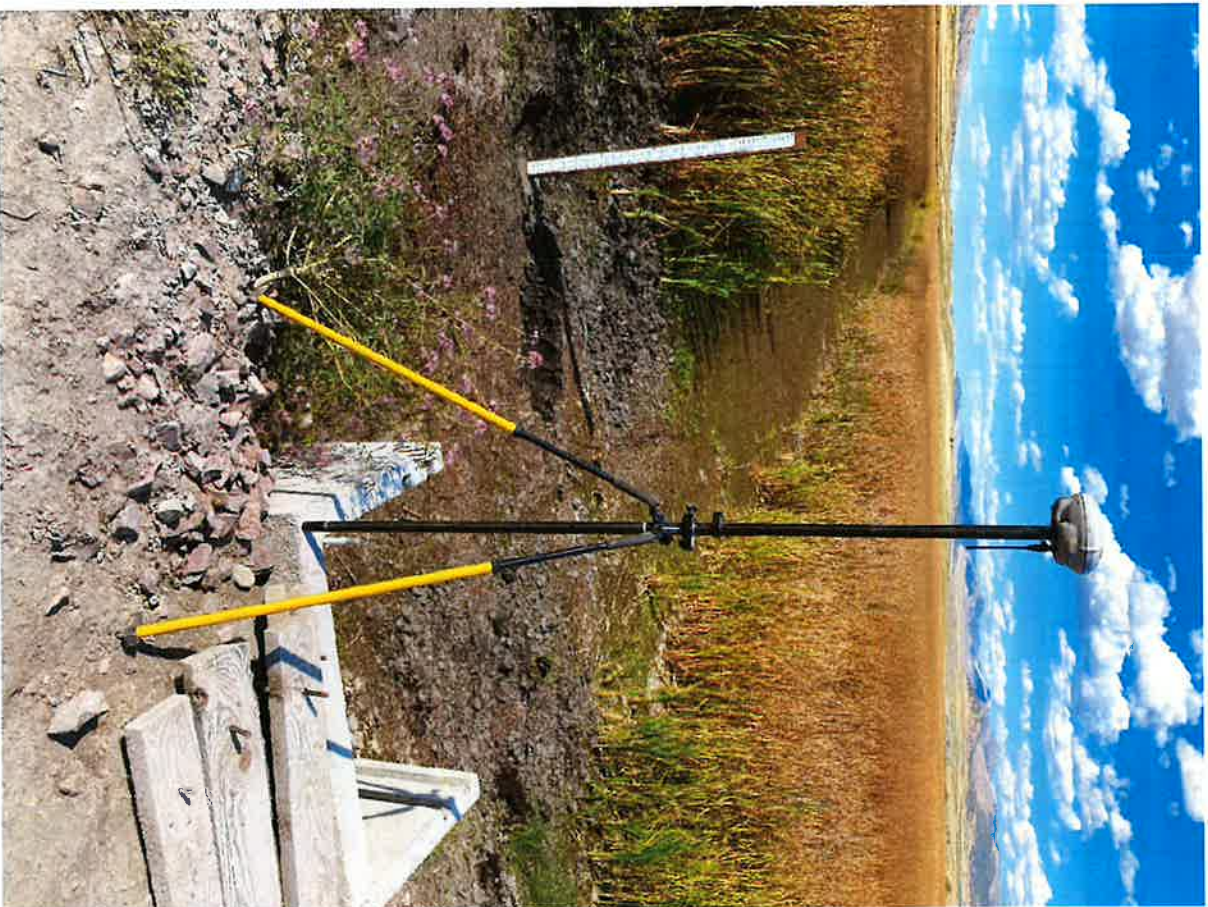


Photo 2. After installation of the 4-ft-wide concrete flashboard riser that functions as the water control structure at the eastern point of diversion.
(Photo taken on 09/20/2022 by Steve Pilson, USFWS)



Photo 3. Internal view of 4-ft wide flashboard riser after installation.
(Photo taken on 09/20/2022 by Steve Pilson, USFWS)

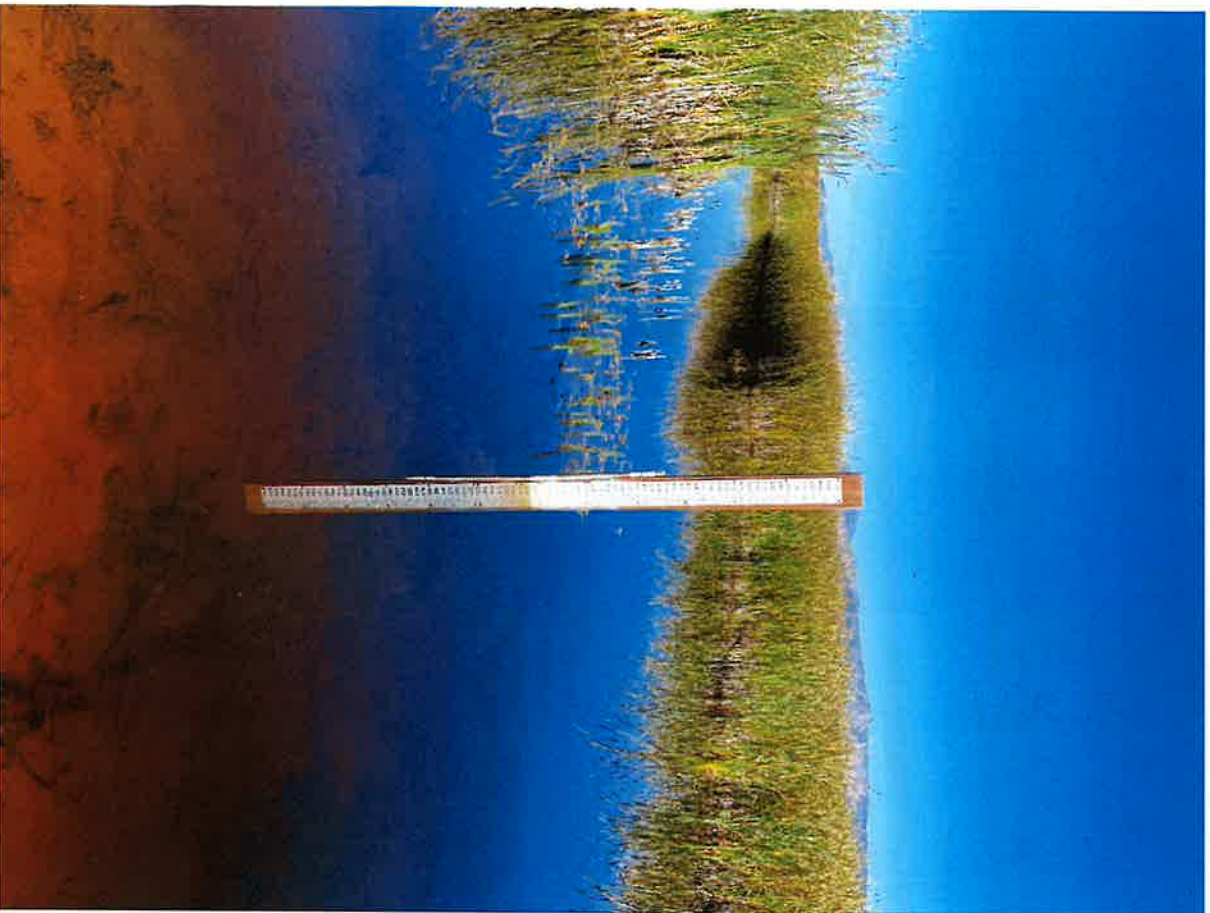


Photo 4. Staff gage in pool adjacent to the eastern point of diversion. A water level logger deployed in the small pipe mounted to the 2x6 wooden board records the water surface elevation of the water stored in Oxford Slough behind the dam.
(Photo taken on 9/25/23 by Jeremy Jirak, USFWS)

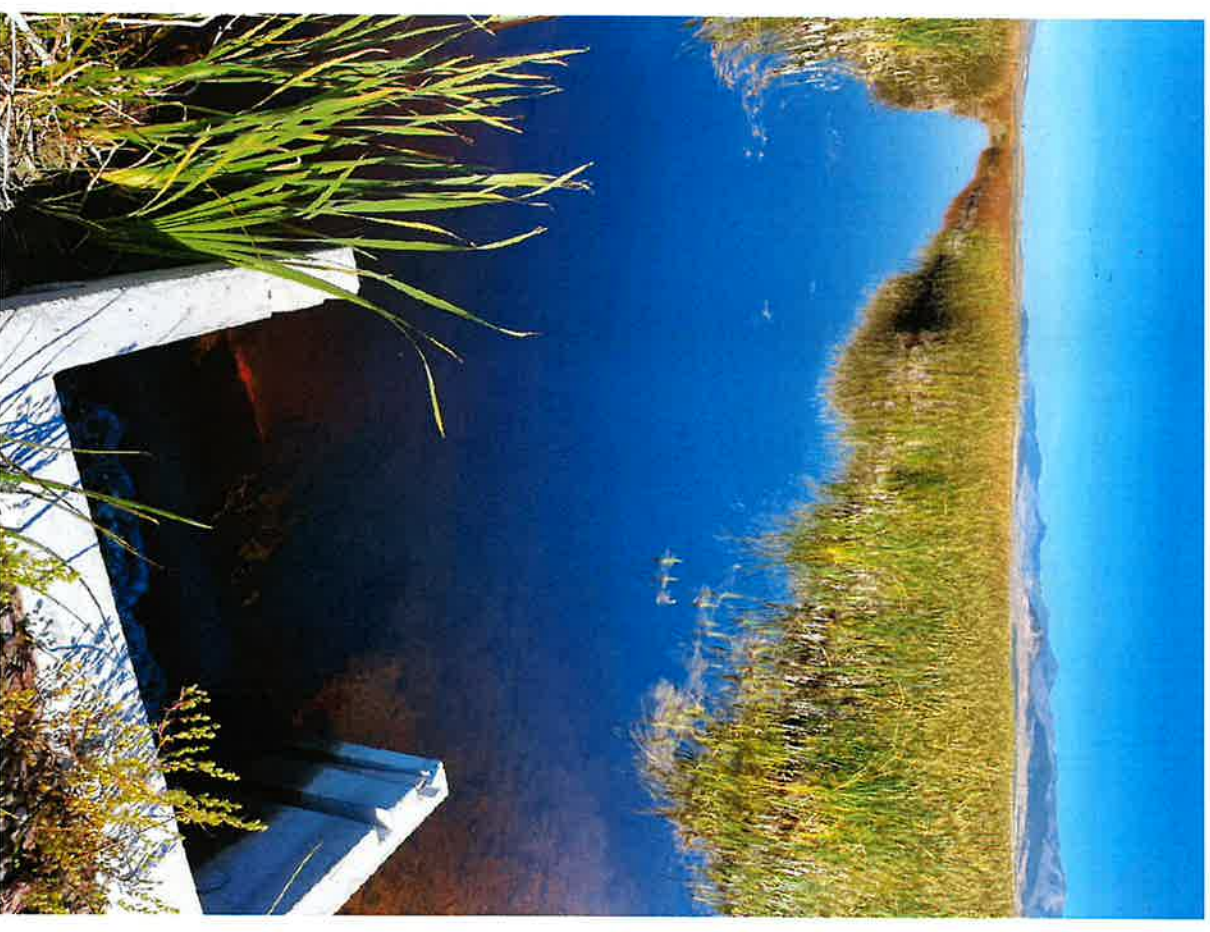


Photo 5. View looking north from the eastern point of diversion towards the permitted place of use.
(Photo taken on 9/25/23 by Jeremy Jirak, USFWS)

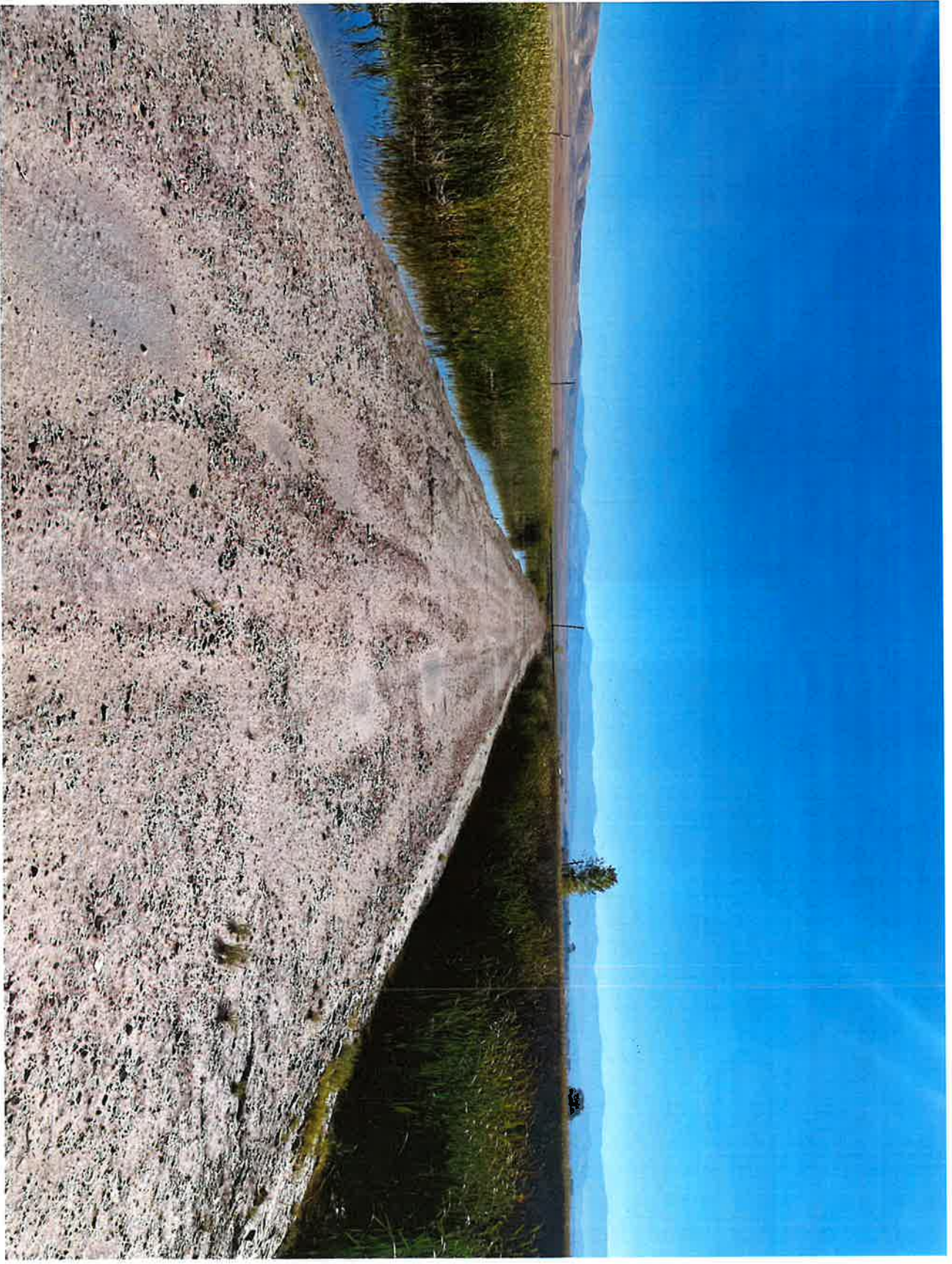


Photo 6. View looking east from the eastern point of diversion from the road atop the 4.5 high, 550-ft long dike that functions as the dam that stores water in the place of use. (Photo taken on 9/25/23 by Jeremy Jirak, USFWS)

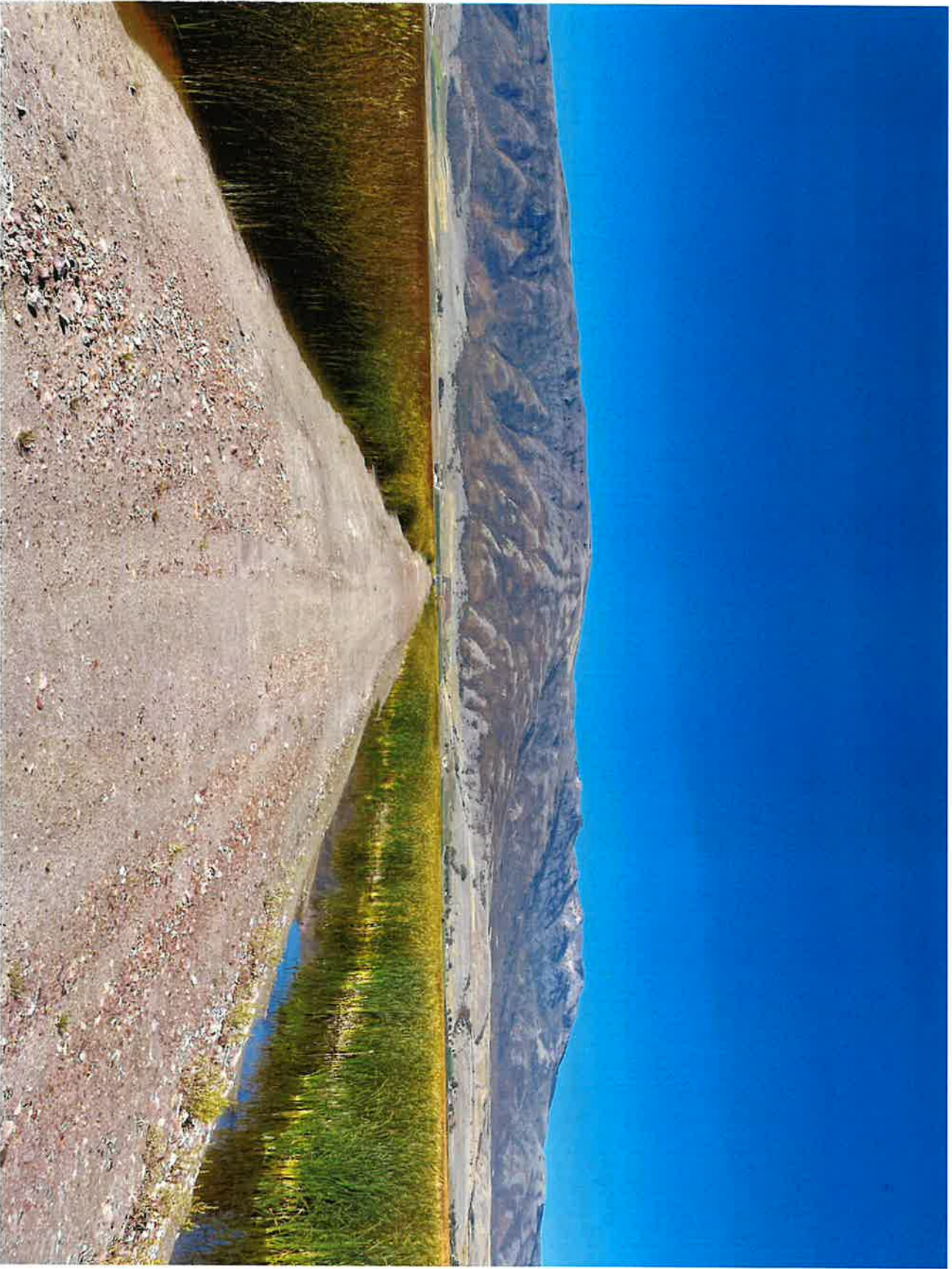


Photo 7. View looking west from the eastern point of diversion from the road atop the 4.5 high, 550-ft long dike that functions as the dam that stores water in the place of use. (Photo taken on 9/25/23 by Jeremy Jirak, USFWS)



Photo 8. View looking north from the eastern point of diversion demonstrating beneficial use of water in the permitted place of use.
(Photo taken on 4/25/23 by Jeremy Jirak, USFWS)

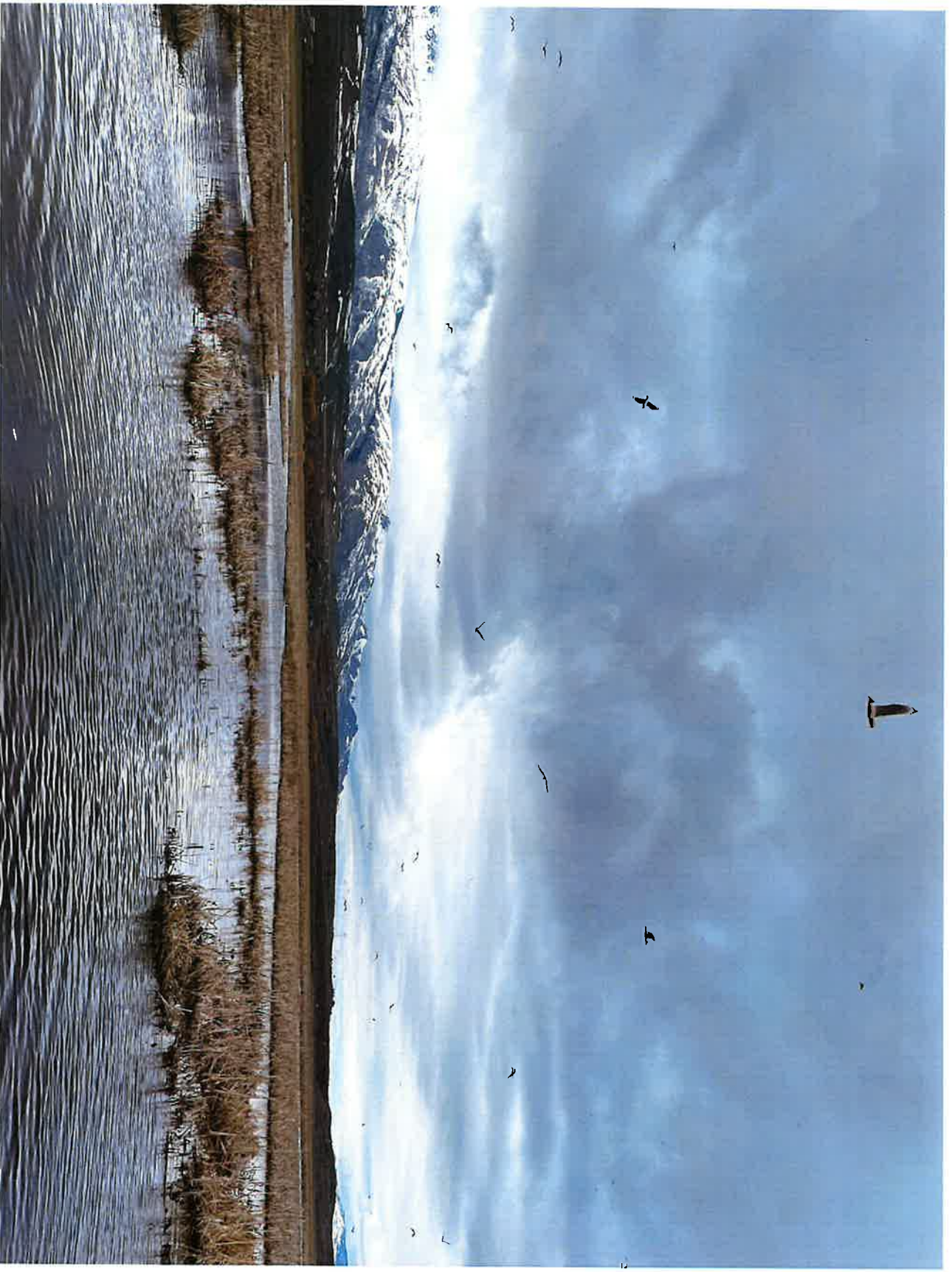


Photo 9. View looking northwest from a boat in the middle of the slough near bird colony nesting locations. The photo shows birds within the habitat developed with water resources consistent with the permitted purpose of use, wildlife storage.
(Photo taken on 4/25/23 by Jeremy Jirak, USFWS)



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Portland, Oregon 97232-4181

In Reply Refer to:
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April 26, 2024

Idaho Department of Water Resources

Idaho Water Center

322 East Front Street, Suite 648

Boise, ID 83702-7371

Subject: Permit 13-8081 – Proof of Beneficial Use

To Whom It May Concern,

Enclosed is one Proof of Beneficial Use form for Permit #13-8081 along with three supplemental documents to accompany the Proof. The additional materials include a Place of Use map, a diagram of water control structures, and a set of photographs showing various elements of the diversion system. A check for \$375 is also included to satisfy the required fees associated with the PBU. The permit discussed here is for a water right at Oxford Slough Waterfowl Production Area.

Please contact Michael Jeletic, Hydrologist, at (503) 231-2233 or at michael_jeletic@fws.gov, with any questions or if you need further information.

Sincerely,

Michael Jeletic

Pacific Regions Water Resource Branch



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May 1, 2024

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PROOF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTER

RE: Permit No. 13-8081

Dear Permit Holder(s):

The Department acknowledges receipt of the proof of beneficial use form submitted for the above referenced permit. The next step in the process of developing a water right is for the Department to conduct a field examination to determine and confirm the use being made of the water.

Please be advised that Section 42-248, Idaho Code, requires you or the owner of this water right to maintain current ownership and address records on file with the Department. Forms to file a change of ownership of a water right and/or a change in the address of the water right owner are available from any Department office or at the Department's website at www.idwr.idaho.gov.

If you have any questions concerning the field examination, please contact the Eastern Region Office of the Department located in Idaho Falls at (208) 525-7161.

Sincerely,

Amanda Veibell

Technical Records Specialist

Enclosure(s)