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I, Lee Smith have been asked by the Bartschi's to help in determining the age of some of their water assets. Specifically, the dam that can be found in the "narrows", water troughs and improvements on springs, the wells around the place both culinary and commercial and finally the irrigation pond found near the corrals. I began working on the ranch as a teenager back in 1942. I remember that the dam in the narrows had already been constructed for years before my arrival upon the ranch. Several bands of sheep were on the ranch before my arrival and had used the springs and troughs for water. They must have been done many years prior to my working on the place. The wells were also done long before 1942, when I started working. I have some rather scary memories of the irrigation pond as well, I remember swimming there as a teenager and almost drowning. I would say the pond would have been constructed in 1940-41 as its water was used to irrigate gardens grown by displaced Japanese-Americans during WWII. These assets were all in existence before my labor at the ranch.

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We, Boyd L. and Beth Woolstenhulme, began working on the ranch currently owned by Melba Bartschi in 1945, just after leaving the service. The irrigation/fish pond was already in existence and use prior to our working on the ranch. The dam found down in the area referred to as "the narrows" was also in existence and use before our arrival at the ranch. The water coming out of CO-OP canyon and surrounding sources/springs was put to extensive irrigation and livestock use before and during our time on the ranch. It should also be noted that both of the wells near the ranch house were also drilled and in use before 1945.

Boyd L. Woolstenhulme

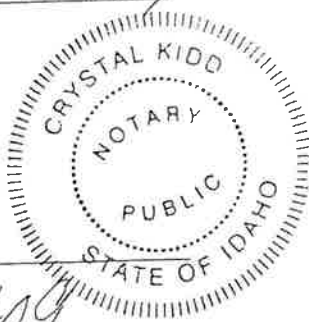
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