

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT

GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Pursuant to Section 42-222(1), *Idaho Code*, a transfer application may be filed to change the point of diversion, place of use, period of use, or nature of use of all or part of an established water right. Any person proposing to make such a change is required to file a transfer application with the Department. "Such application shall be upon forms furnished by the department and shall describe the [water right] to be changed and the changes which are proposed and shall be accompanied by the statutory filing fee." *Idaho Code* § 42-222(1).

The Department has developed this application form to assist applicants in satisfying the requirements of Section 42-222(1). This application form requests information about the applicant's authority to file (Part 1), information about the current elements of the water right(s) to be changed (Part 2), information about the proposed changes (Part 3), information about the validity of the water right(s) and the effects of the proposed changes (Part 4), and confirmation that the information provided is truthful (Part 5).

The applicant or their representative must provide a response for all applicable questions, any additional information required, and the proper filing fee before this application will be considered complete. If an application is incomplete or more information is required, the Department will notify the applicant or representative and allow time for the application to be completed. An application that remains incomplete will be returned to the applicant and the filing fee will be refunded.

An application for transfer is limited to the changes proposed for a single water distribution system. A proposal to change two or more separate water distribution systems, that will remain separate after the transfer, must be filed as separate applications. Applicants may provide additional pages to supplement their responses to the questions posed on this application form. Supplemental forms for listing additional water rights, points of diversion, or places of use can be found on the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). If you need assistance understanding the questions on this form, generating current water right reports, determining legal descriptions, or accessing water measurement records feel free to contact the nearest regional office of the Department.

PART 1 – CONTACT INFORMATION, OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AUTHORITY TO FILE

Name(s) of Applicant(s) PACKSADDLE RANCH LLC

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Email* RACH17A@YAHOO.COM Phone 747-777-2286

Name of Representative (if any) _____

Mailing Address _____

Email* _____ Phone _____

*If an email address is provided, Department staff will use email as the primary method for corresponding with the applicant and representative about the application.

A. Representative. If the representative is authorized to sign or amend the application on behalf of the applicant, attach documents confirming that authority. Label documents as Attachment 1A.

B. Current Owner. If the applicant is not the current owner of record for all water rights included in this application, attach documents showing that the applicant has the authority to make the proposed changes. Label documents as Attachment 1B.

C. Updating Ownership Records. Applicants needing to update the ownership records for any of the water rights included in this application must attach documents supporting the ownership change. Such documents must trace ownership of the subject water rights or the current place of use for the subject water rights from the current owner of record for the water rights to the applicant. Label documents as Attachment 1C.

D. Business Entities. If the applicant is a business entity (corporation, LLC, partnership, trust, etc.), is the entity currently registered with the Idaho Secretary of State?

☐ Yes. If this application is signed by someone other than a person listed on the most recent annual report filed with the Idaho Secretary of State, attach documents confirming the authority of the signer to sign on behalf of the business entity. Label documents as Attachment 1D.

☒ No. Attach documents confirming the authority of the signer to sign on behalf of the business entity. Label documents as Attachment 1D.

E. Approval of Irrigation Delivery Entity. Section 42-108, *Idaho Code*, states that a transfer application proposing to change water rights held by an irrigation company or district requires the consent of the irrigation entity. If this application proposes to change water rights held by an irrigation entity, attach a letter of consent from the entity (labeled as Attachment 1E) or have an authorized representative of the entity co-sign the application.

F. Encumbered Properties. If the current place of use for the water rights included in this application is subject to a lien, deed of trust, mortgage, or contract and the application proposes to change the nature of use of the water rights or to move water rights off the current place of use, attach a statement of consent for the change signed by the lien holder, trustee, mortgagor or contract holder. Label documents as Attachment 1F.

G. Legal Access. If the applicant is not the current owner of the proposed point(s) of diversion, conveyance system, or place(s) of use, provide evidence of legal access to the land or infrastructure not owned by the applicant. Label documents as Attachment 1G. For example, an applicant may provide a letter of consent from the owner of the land or conveyance system or may have the owner co-sign the application. For applications proposing to divert water on or convey water across federal land, an applicant is not required to demonstrate legal access to the federal land prior to approval. Instead, if the transfer application is approved, the applicant must obtain access authorization from the relevant federal agency prior to diverting water under the subject water rights.

PART 2 – WATER RIGHTS BEFORE PROPOSED CHANGES

A. Current Water Rights. For each water right proposed to be changed, attach a current water right report obtained from any Department office or from the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). Label water right reports as Attachment 2A.

B. Map of Current System. Attach a map of the current point(s) of diversion and place(s) of use for the water rights to be changed. The map should clearly depict the elements of the water rights to be changed. For example, if the application proposes to change the point of diversion for a water right, the map should display the current location of the point of diversion. For irrigation water rights, the map should also identify the location of the irrigated acres to be changed. Label map as Attachment 2B.

C. Current Location of Irrigated Acres. If this application proposes to change the place of use or nature of use for only a portion of an irrigation water right, use the following table to identify the current location of the irrigated acres to be changed. If additional pages are required, label additional pages as **Attachment 2C**. If this application proposes to change or rearrange the entire place of use for irrigation water right(s), skip to Part 3.

☒ **N/A.** This application does not propose to change the place of use or nature of use of an irrigation water right or this application proposes to change the place of use or nature of use for an entire irrigation right.

Current Location of Irrigated Acres to be Changed

Twp	Rge	Sec	NE ¼				NW ¼				SW ¼				SE ¼				Acre Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	

Total Irrigated Acres to be Changed: _____

PART 3 – DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

A. Purpose of Transfer. Section 42-222(1), *Idaho Code*, states that transfer applications may only be filed to change the point of diversion, place of use, period of use, or nature of use of an established water right. Section 42-248(3), *Idaho Code*, authorizes water right ownership changes to be described on a transfer application. Identify the changes proposed in this application:

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|--|---|
| ☒ Change point(s) of diversion | ☐ Change place of use |
| ☐ Add point(s) of diversion | ☐ Change period of use |
| ☐ Change nature of use | ☐ Update water right ownership records |

B. Proposed Changes. Describe the proposed changes in narrative form:

INSTALL AN IRRIGATION WELL ON SECTION 11 AND MOVE THE POINT OF DIVERSION FROM SECTION 2 TO SECTION 11

C. Summary of Proposed Changes.

1. Water Rights. Use the following table to list all water rights, or portions thereof, that are proposed to be changed as they would appear after the proposed changes. In the Amount column, list the volume in acre-feet (af) for storage uses or the rate in cubic feet per second (cfs) for all other uses.

All or Part		Right Number	Amount (cfs/af)	Nature of Use	Period of Use	Source
☒	☐	22-14106	0.270 / 54.0	IRRIGATION	4/15 to 10/15	GROUND WATER
☐	☐				to	
☐	☐				to	
☐	☐				to	
☐	☐				to	
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2. Total Amounts. Calculate the total quantity, in cfs or af, of water rights that are proposed to be changed through this application. For an application proposing to only change the place of use for irrigation rights, the total quantity of water is calculated by comparing the current place of use to the proposed place of use, summing the number of acres increased in each legal subdivision, and quantifying the proportional amount of diversion rate for the increased acres. For an application proposing to change or add points of diversion for irrigation or any other beneficial use, the total amount is the total diversion rate for the changed portion of the right.

Total Amount of Water Rights Proposed to be Changed: 0.270 cfs and/or 54.0 af.

3. Point(s) of Diversion. Use the following table to list all the proposed points of diversion for the water rights to be changed, including any current points of diversion that will continue to be used as part of the proposed water distribution system.

The legal description for the proposed point(s) of diversion must be to the nearest 40-acre subdivision (QQ) or U.S. Government Lot of the Public Land Survey System (PLSS). PLSS information is typically available from USGS topo maps, property deeds, tax bills or various mapping tools on the Department's website.

For points of diversion within platted subdivisions, list the lot and block number in the "Diversion Name/Number" column. An application proposing an injection into a stream and a re-diversion from that stream must list the source for the original diversion as the source for the injection and re-diversion points. If this application proposes construction of a new diversion structure (for example, a new ground water well or a new pump station on a creek), please indicate the status in the appropriate column.

☐ N/A. This application does not propose to add or change any points of diversion.

Proposed Points of Diversion

New?	Twp	Rge	Sec	Lot	1/4	1/4	1/4	County	Source	Diversion Name/Number
Y	05N	44E	11			NE	NW	TETON	GROUND WATER	New Well

4. Place of Use. The proposed place of use must be described to the nearest 40-acre subdivision (QQ) or U.S. Government Lot of the Public Land Survey System. Government lot numbers can be noted in parenthesis below the approximate quarter-quarter location of the government lot. For water rights held by irrigation districts, municipal providers or irrigation companies, the proposed place of use may be generally described as authorized by Sections 42-202B, 42-219 and 42-222B, *Idaho Code*.

☒ N/A. This application does not propose to change the place of use.

Proposed Place of Use

Twp	Rge	Sec	NE ¼				NW ¼				SW ¼				SE ¼				Acre Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	

Total Irrigated Acres: _____

5. Map of Proposed System. Attach a map showing the location of the points of diversion, reservoirs, dams, canals, ditches, pipelines and other works proposed to divert and convey water. Also show the location of the place of use, including any lands to be irrigated. The map should delineate the legal subdivisions including townships, ranges, sections, quarter-quarters and government lots. Label map as Attachment 3C.

PART 4 – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Section 42-222(1), *Idaho Code*, establishes the criteria used to evaluate transfer applications. An applicant bears the burden of demonstrating that the water right to be changed is a valid right, that the proposed use is a beneficial use, and that the proposed changes will not injure other water rights, will not enlarge the use of the original rights, are in the local public interest, and are consistent with the conservation of water resources within the state of Idaho. To satisfy this burden, an applicant must provide sufficient data and information for the

Department to evaluate the effects of the proposed change. The Department may deny an application if the applicant fails to provide sufficient data and information to determine whether the criteria from Section 42-222(1) are satisfied. In addition to the information requested in Parts 1-3 of this application, the following information must be provided for an application to be considered complete. Department staff may request additional information or clarification as the application is processed.

A. Validity of Water Rights

1. If one or more of the water rights proposed to be changed is a statutory claim, established pursuant to Section 42-248, *Idaho Code*, attach evidence supporting the priority date claimed. Label documents as Attachment 4A-1. For statutory claims, the Department may conduct a field inspection as part of the application review process to evaluate the water right elements listed on the statutory claim.

2. Has any portion of the water right(s) proposed to be changed undergone a period of five or more consecutive years of non-use?

☐ Yes. Attach a statement describing the portion of the right(s) that were not used and the length of time of the non-use. In addition, identify any exception or defense to forfeiture and provide a detailed description as to why the water rights have not been lost and forfeited for non-use. Label documents as Attachment 4A-2. Statutory exceptions or defenses to forfeiture are set forth in Section 42-223, *Idaho Code*.

☒ No.

B. Injury to Other Water Rights

1. Identify any other water right(s) diverted at the current point(s) of diversion.

N/A

2. Identify any other water right(s) diverted at the proposed point(s) of diversion.

N/A

3. Is the proposed point of diversion within a state water district? ☐ Yes. Water District # _____. ☒ No.

4. If already constructed and in use, are the proposed points of diversion equipped with Department-approved measuring devices? ☐ Yes. ☐ No.

5. If this application proposes to divert a surface water right from a ground water well, attach a technical analysis evaluating the hydraulic connection between the proposed ground water point of diversion and the source of water listed on the right to be changed. Label technical analysis as Attachment 4B-5.

6. If this application proposes changing the point of diversion for a ground water right in the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (ESPA), attach a technical analysis of the anticipated depletions to reaches of the Snake River that are hydraulically connected to the ESPA using the Department's current ground water model for the ESPA. The technical analysis must evaluate depletion impacts in a time-series format at transient and steady state time steps. To assist applicants in preparing the required technical analysis, the Department has developed a transfer tool interface for the ESPA model. The transfer tool and user instructions can be downloaded from the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). If the proposed and current points of diversion are in the same or adjacent model cells, no technical analysis is required, unless specifically requested by the Department. Label technical analysis as Attachment 4B-6.

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C. Enlargement in Use

1. Identify any other water rights used at the current place of use, including the number of shares in a canal company or acres assessed by an irrigation district.

N/A

2. Identify any other water rights used at the proposed place of use, including the number of shares in a canal company or acres assessed by an irrigation district.

N/A

3. If this application proposes changing the place of use or nature of use for irrigation water rights, will the current place of use, for the portion of the right to be changed, continue to be irrigated?

☐ Yes. Identify the water right(s) to be used for the continued irrigation.

☐ No. The place of use for the portion to be changed will no longer be irrigated.

☒ N/A. The application does not propose to change the place of use for irrigation rights.

4. Unstacking Water Rights for Irrigation. If this application proposes to change the place of use for an irrigation water right that is combined with other irrigation rights at the current place of use but does not propose to change the place of use for all the stacked irrigation rights, attach evidence of the historical consumptive use occurring under all water rights at the current place of use. For irrigation rights, this should include at least five years of diversion data and/or crop data and estimates of evapotranspiration. Label the information as Attachment 4C-4. Evapotranspiration data may be available on the Department's website (<http://et-idwr.idaho.gov>)

5. If the application proposes to change the nature of use for a water right, attach evidence of the historical consumptive use occurring under the portion of the water right to be changed. For irrigation rights, this should include diversion data, crop data and estimates of evapotranspiration. Label the information as Attachment 4C-5. Evapotranspiration data may be available on the Department's website (<http://et-idwr.idaho.gov>)

6. If the application proposes to change the nature of use of a water right to municipal use for reasonably anticipated future needs, complete the form titled "Municipal Water Right Application Checklist" found on the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). Label the form as Attachment 4C-6.

7. To your knowledge, are any portions of the water rights proposed to be changed:

Yes	No
☐	☒

currently leased to the Water Supply Bank?

If yes, complete the form titled "Application for Transfer of Water Right Attachment WSB" found on the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). Label the Form as Attachment 4C-7.

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☐	☒
☐	☒

currently used in a mitigation plan limiting the use of water under the right?

subject to an agreement not to divert (CREP)?

currently enrolled in a federal set-aside program (CRP)?

D. Local Public Interest

The department must consider whether the proposed changes are in the local public interest as defined in Section 42-202B(3), *Idaho Code*. Some of the local public interest factors that may be considered in conjunction with a transfer application are (1) Recreation, fish, and wildlife impacts, (2) Water quality or contamination concerns, (3) Local and state ordinances, regulations, or policies related to water use, (4) Goals, requirements and limits set forth in the State Water Plan. If you choose to provide information about local public interest factors, label the information as Attachment 4D.

E. Conservation of Water Resources

Describe the diversion works and water delivery system. This may include sizes and dimensions of pumps, pipelines, headgates, ditches, dams, impoundments and irrigation equipment.

IRRIGATION WELL AND IRRIGATION WATERING SYSTEM

PART 5 – FILING FEE AND SIGNATURE

A. Filing Fee. Filing fees for transfer applications are set forth in Section 42-221.O, *Idaho Code*. A table summarizing the filing fees for transfer applications is also found on the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). Any application proposing to change the nature of use for one or more rights requires an additional filing fee of \$250. Applications proposing to update the ownership records for water rights must also include the appropriate filing fee to update the ownership records. For any application relying on the filing fee set forth in Section 42-221.O.8, *Idaho Code*, attach a statement describing how the application qualifies under Section 42-221.O.8. Label documents as Attachment 5A.

B. Affidavit of Applicant or Representative:

I hereby assert that no one will be injured by the proposed changes and that the proposed changes do not constitute an enlargement in use of the original right(s). The information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any willful misrepresentations made in this application may result in rejection of the application or cancellation of an approval.

	<u>Michael Christinos, member</u>	<u>7/21/2025</u>
Signature of Applicant or Representative*	Print Name and Title, if applicable	Date
	<u>Rachna Christinos, member</u>	<u>7/21/2025</u>
Signature of Applicant or Representative*	Print Name and Title, if applicable	Date

*If water rights included in this application are owned by multiple people or entities, each owner must sign the application form.

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Fee Paid: \$ <u>500.00</u>	Receipt #: <u>EOS1007</u>	Date: <u>7/21/25</u>	Received by: <u>[Signature]</u>
Add'l Paid: \$	Receipt #:	Date:	Received by:

ATTACHMENT 1D

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OPERATING AGREEMENT

PACKSADDLE RANCH LLC

A Member-Managed Limited Liability Company

OPERATING AGREEMENT

THIS OPERATING AGREEMENT is made and entered into effective 12/07/2020 by and among: Michael Christianos and Rachna Christianos (collectively referred to in this agreement as the "Members").

SECTION 1

THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

1.1 *Formation.* Effective 12/07/2020 the Members form a limited liability company under the name PACKSADDLE RANCH LLC (the "Company") on the terms and conditions in this Operating Agreement (the "Agreement") and pursuant to the Limited Liability Company Act of the State of Montana (the "Act"). The Members agree to file with the appropriate agency within the State of Montana charged with processing and maintaining such records all documentation required for the formation of the Company. The rights and obligations of the parties are as provided in the Act except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement.

1.2 *Name.* The business of the Company will be conducted under the name PACKSADDLE RANCH LLC or such other name upon which the Members may unanimously may agree.

1.3 *Purpose.* The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a Limited Liability Company may be formed within the State of Montana.

1.4 *Office.* The Company will maintain its principal business office within the State of Montana at the following address: 1001 S MAIN ST #49, KALISPELL, MT 59901.

1.5 *Registered Agent.* Registered Agents Inc. is the Company's initial registered agent in the State of Montana, and the registered office is 1001 S MAIN ST #49, KALISPELL, MT 59901.

1.6 *Term.* The term of the Company commences on 12/07/2020 and shall continue perpetually unless sooner terminated as provided in this Agreement.

1.7 *Admission of Additional Members.* Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, no additional members may be admitted to the Company through issuance by the company of a new interest in the Company without the prior unanimous written consent of the Members.

SECTION 2

CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

2.1 *Initial Contributions.* The Members initially shall contribute to the Company capital as described in Schedule 2 attached to this Agreement.

2.2 Additional Contributions. No Member shall be obligated to make any additional contribution to the Company's capital without the prior unanimous written consent of the Members.

2.3 No Interest on Capital Contributions. Members are not entitled to interest or other compensation for or on account of their capital contributions to the Company except to the extent, if any, expressly provided in this Agreement.

SECTION 3

ALLOCATION OF PROFITS AND LOSSES; DISTRIBUTIONS

3.1 Profits/Losses. For financial accounting and tax purposes, the Company's net profits or net losses shall be determined on an annual basis and shall be allocated to the Members in proportion to each Member's relative capital interest in the Company as set forth in Schedule 2 as amended from time to time in accordance with U.S. Department of the Treasury Regulation 1.704-1.

3.2 Distributions. The Members shall determine and distribute available funds annually or at more frequent intervals as they see fit. Available funds, as referred to herein, shall mean the net cash of the Company available after appropriate provision for expenses and liabilities, as determined by the Managers. Distributions in liquidation of the Company or in liquidation of a Member's interest shall be made in accordance with the positive capital account balances pursuant to U.S. Department of the Treasury Regulation 1.704.1(b)(2)(ii)(b)(2). To the extent a Member shall have a negative capital account balance, there shall be a qualified income offset, as set forth in U.S. Department of the Treasury Regulation 1.704.1(b)(2)(ii)(d).

3.3 No Right to Demand Return of Capital. No Member has any right to any return of capital or other distribution except as expressly provided in this Agreement. No Member has any drawing account in the Company.

SECTION 4

INDEMNIFICATION

The Company shall indemnify any person who was or is a party defendant or is threatened to be made a party defendant, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Company) by reason of the fact that he is or was a Member of the Company, Manager, employee or agent of the Company, or is or was serving at the request of the Company, against expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if the Members determine that he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Company, and with respect to any criminal action proceeding, has no reasonable cause to believe his/her conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit, or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of "no lo Contendere" or its equivalent, shall not in itself create a presumption that the person did or did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in the best interest of the Company, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his/her conduct was lawful

SECTION 5

POWERS AND DUTIES OF MANAGERS

5.1 *Management of Company.*

5.1.1 The Members, within the authority granted by the Act and the terms of this Agreement shall have the complete power and authority to manage and operate the Company and make all decisions affecting its business and affairs.

5.1.2 Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all decisions and documents relating to the management and operation of the Company shall be made and executed by a Majority in Interest of the Members.

5.1.3 Third parties dealing with the Company shall be entitled to rely conclusively upon the power and authority of a Majority in Interest of the Members to manage and operate the business and affairs of the Company.

5.2 *Decisions by Members.* Whenever in this Agreement reference is made to the decision, consent, approval, judgment, or action of the Members, unless otherwise

expressly provided in this Agreement, such decision, consent, approval, judgment, or action shall mean a Majority of the Members.

5.3 *Withdrawal by a Member.* A Member has no power to withdraw from the Company, except as otherwise provided in Section 8.

SECTION 6

SALARIES, REIMBURSEMENT, AND PAYMENT OF EXPENSES

6.1 *Organization Expenses.* All expenses incurred in connection with organization of the Company will be paid by the Company.

6.2 *Salary.* No salary will be paid to a Member for the performance of his or her duties under this Agreement unless the salary has been approved in writing by a Majority of the Members.

6.3 *Legal and Accounting Services.* The Company may obtain legal and accounting services to the extent reasonably necessary for the conduct of the Company's business.

SECTION 7

BOOKS OF ACCOUNT, ACCOUNTING REPORTS, TAX RETURNS,

FISCAL YEAR, BANKING

7.1 *Method of Accounting.* The Company will use the method of accounting previously determined by the Members for financial reporting and tax purposes.

7.2 *Fiscal Year; Taxable Year.* The fiscal year and the taxable year of the Company is the calendar year.

7.3 *Capital Accounts.* The Company will maintain a Capital Account for each Member on a cumulative basis in accordance with federal income tax accounting principles.

7.4 *Banking.* All funds of the Company will be deposited in a separate bank account or in an account or accounts of a savings and loan association in the name of the Company as determined by a Majority of the Members. Company funds will be invested or deposited with an institution, the accounts or deposits of which are insured or guaranteed by an agency of the United States government.

SECTION 8

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP INTEREST

8.1 *Sale or Encumbrance Prohibited.* Except as otherwise permitted in this Agreement, no Member may voluntarily or involuntarily transfer, sell, convey, encumber, pledge, assign, or otherwise dispose of (collectively, "Transfer") an interest in the Company without the prior written consent of a majority of the other nontransferring Members determined on a per capita basis.

8.2 *Right of First Refusal.* Notwithstanding Section 8.1, a Member may transfer all or any part of the Member's interest in the Company (the "Interest") as follows:

8.2.1 The Member desiring to transfer his or her Interest first must provide written notice (the "Notice") to the other Members, specifying the price and terms on which the Member is prepared to sell the Interest (the "Offer").

8.2.2 For a period of 30 days after receipt of the Notice, the Members may acquire all, but not less than all, of the Interest at the price and under the terms specified in the Offer. If the other Members desiring to acquire the Interest cannot agree among

themselves on the allocation of the Interest among them, the allocation will be proportional to the Ownership Interests of those Members desiring to acquire the Interest.

8.2.3 Closing of the sale of the Interest will occur as stated in the Offer; provided, however, that the closing will not be less than 45 days after expiration of the 30-day notice period.

8.2.4 If the other Members fail or refuse to notify the transferring Member of their desire to acquire all of the Interest proposed to be transferred within the 30-day period following receipt of the Notice, then the Members will be deemed to have waived their right to acquire the Interest on the terms described in the Offer, and the transferring Member may sell and convey the Interest consistent with the Offer to any other person or entity; provided, however, that notwithstanding anything in Section 8.2 to the contrary, should the sale to a third person be at a price or on terms that are more favorable to the purchaser than stated in the Offer, then the transferring Member must reoffer the sale of the Interest to the remaining Members at that other price or other terms; provided, further, that if the sale to a third person is not closed within six months after the expiration of the 30-day period describe above, then the provisions of Section 8.2 will again apply to the Interest proposed to be sold or conveyed.

8.2.5 Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of Section 8.2, should the sole remaining Member be entitled to and elect to acquire all the Interests of the other Members of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Section 8.2, the acquiring Member may assign the right to acquire the Interests to a spouse, lineal descendent, or an affiliated entity if the assignment is reasonably believed to be necessary to continue the existence of the Company as a limited liability company.

8.3 *Substituted Parties.* Any transfer in which the Transferee becomes a fully substituted Member is not permitted unless and until:

(1) The transferor and assignee execute and deliver to the Company the documents and instruments of conveyance necessary or appropriate in the opinion of counsel to the Company to effect the transfer and to confirm the agreement of the permitted assignee to be bound by the provisions of this Agreement; and

(2) The transferor furnishes to the Company an opinion of counsel, satisfactory to the Company, that the transfer will not cause the Company to terminate for federal income tax purposes or that any termination is not adverse to the Company or the other Members.

8.4 *Death, Incompetency, or Bankruptcy of Member.* On the death, adjudicated incompetence, or bankruptcy of a Member, unless the Company exercises its rights under Section 8.5, the successor in interest to the Member (whether an estate, bankruptcy trustee, or otherwise) will receive only the economic right to receive distributions whenever made by the Company and the Member's allocable share of taxable income, gain, loss, deduction, and credit (the "Economic Rights") unless and until a majority of the other Members determined on a per capita basis admit the transferee as a fully substituted Member in accordance with the provisions of Section 8.3.

8.4.1 Any transfer of Economic Rights pursuant to Section 8.4 will not include any right to participate in management of the Company, including any right to vote, consent to, and will not include any right to information on the Company or its operations or financial condition. Following any transfer of only the Economic Rights of a Member's Interest in the Company, the transferring Member's power and right to vote or consent to any matter submitted to the Members will be eliminated, and the Ownership Interests of the remaining Members, for purposes only of such votes, consents, and participation in management, will be proportionately increased until such time, if any, as the transferee of the Economic Rights becomes a fully substituted Member.

8.5 *Death Buy Out.* Notwithstanding the foregoing provision of Section 8, the Members covenant and agree that on the death of any Member, the Company, at its option, by providing written notice to the estate of the deceased Member within 180 days of the death of the Member, may purchase, acquire, and redeem the Interest of the deceased Member in the Company pursuant to the provision of Section 8.5.

8.5.1 The value of each Member's Interest in the Company will be determined on the date this Agreement is signed, and the value will be endorsed on Schedule 3 attached and made a part of this Agreement. The value of each Member's Interest will be redetermined unanimously by the Members annually, unless the Members unanimously decide to redetermine those values more frequently. The Members will use their best

efforts to endorse those values on Schedule 3. The purchase price for a decedent Member's interest conclusively is the value last determined before the death of such Member; provided, however, that if the latest valuation is more than two years before the death of the deceased Member, the provisions of Section 8.5.2 will apply in determining the value of the Member's Interest in the Company.

8.5.2 If the Members have failed to value the deceased Member's Interest within the prior two-year period, the value of each Member's Interest in the Company on the date of death, in the first instance, will be determined by mutual agreement of the surviving Members and the personal representative of the estate of the deceased Member. If the parties cannot reach an agreement on the value within 30 days after the appointment of the personal representative of the deceased Member, then the surviving Members and the personal representative each must select a qualified appraiser within the next succeeding 30 days. The appraisers so selected must attempt to determine the value of the Company Interest owned by the decedent at the time of death based solely on their appraisal of the total value of the Company's assets and the amount the decedent would have received had the assets of the Company been sold at that time for an amount equal to their fair market value and the proceeds (after payment of all Company obligations) were distributed in the manner contemplated in Section 8. The appraisal may not consider and discount for the sale of a minority Interest in the Company. In the event the appraisers cannot agree on the value within 30 days after being selected, the two appraisers must, within 30 days, select a third appraiser. The value of the Interest of the decedent in the Company and the purchase price of it will be the average of the two appraisals nearest in amount to one another. That amount will be final and binding on all parties and their respective successors, assigns, and representatives. The costs and expenses of the third appraiser and any costs and expenses of the appraiser retained but not paid for by the estate of the deceased Member will be offset against the purchase price paid for the deceased Member's Interest in the Company.

8.5.3 Closing of the sale of the deceased Member's Interest in the Company will be held at the office of the Company on a date designated by the Company, not be later than 90 days after agreement with the personal representative of the deceased Member's estate on the fair market value of the deceased Member's Interest in the Company; provided, however, that if the purchase price are determined by appraisals as set forth in Section 8.5.2, the closing will be 30 days after the final appraisal and purchase price are determined. If no personal representative has been appointed within 60 days after the deceased Member's death, the surviving Members have the right to apply for and have a personal representative appointed.

8.5.4 At closing, the Company will pay the purchase price for the deceased Member's Interest in the Company. If the purchase price is less than \$1,000.00, the purchase price will be paid in cash; if the purchase price is \$1,000.00 or more, the purchase price will be paid as follows:

(1) \$1,000.00 in cash, bank cashier's check, or certified funds;

(2) The balance of the purchase price by the Company executing and delivering its promissory note for the balance, with interest at the prime interest rate stated by primary banking institution utilized by the Company, its successors and assigns, at the time of the deceased Member's death. Interest will be payable monthly, with the principal sum being due and payable in three equal annual installments. The promissory note will be unsecured and will contain provisions that the principal sum may be paid in whole or in part at any time, without penalty.

8.5.5 At the closing, the deceased Member's estate or personal representative must assign to the Company all of the deceased Member's Interest in the Company free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances, and, at the request of the Company, the estate or personal representative must execute all other instruments as may reasonably be necessary to vest in the Company all of the deceased Member's right, title, and interest in the Company and its assets. If either the Company or the deceased Member's estate or personal representative fails or refuses to execute any instrument required by this Agreement, the other party is hereby granted the irrevocable power of attorney which, it is agreed, is coupled with an interest, to execute and deliver on behalf of the failing or refusing party all instruments required to be executed and delivered by the failing or refusing party.

8.5.6 On completion of the purchase of the deceased Member's Interest in the Company, the Ownership Interests of the remaining Members will increase proportionately to their then-existing Ownership Interests.

SECTION 9

DISSOLUTION AND WINDING UP OF THE COMPANY

9.1 *Dissolution*. The Company will be dissolved on the happening of any of the following events:

9.1.1 Sale, transfer, or other disposition of all or substantially all of the property of the Company;

9.1.2 The agreement of all of the Members;

9.1.3 By operation of law; or

9.1.4 The death, incompetence, expulsion, or bankruptcy of a Member, or the occurrence of any event that terminates the continued membership of a Member in the Company, unless there are then remaining at least the minimum number of Members required by law and all of the remaining Members, within 120 days after the date of the event, elect to continue the business of the Company.

9.2 *Winding Up*. On the dissolution of the Company (if the Company is not continued), the Members must take full account of the Company's assets and liabilities, and the assets will be liquidated as promptly as is consistent with obtaining their fair value, and the proceeds, to the extent sufficient to pay the Company's obligations with respect to the liquidation, will be applied and distributed, after any gain or loss realized in connection with the liquidation has been allocated in accordance with Section 3 of this Agreement, and the Members' Capital Accounts have been adjusted to reflect the allocation and all other transactions through the date of the distribution, in the following order:

9.2.1 To payment and discharge of the expenses of liquidation and of all the Company's debts and liabilities to persons or organizations other than Members;

9.2.2 To the payment and discharge of any Company debts and liabilities owed to Members; and

9.2.3 To Members in the amount of their respective adjusted Capital Account balances on the date of distribution; provided, however, that any then-outstanding Default Advances (with interest and costs of collection) first must be repaid from distributions otherwise allocable to the Defaulting Member pursuant to Section 9.2.3.

SECTION 10

GENERAL PROVISIONS

10.1 *Amendments.* Amendments to this Agreement may be proposed by any Member. A proposed amendment will be adopted and become effective as an amendment only on the written approval of all of the Members.

10.2 *Governing Law.* This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties under it are governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Montana (without regard to principles of conflicts of law).

10.3 *Entire Agreement; Modification.* This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement between the Members with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. No agreements, understandings, restrictions, representations, or warranties exist between or among the members other than those in this Agreement or referred to or provided for in this Agreement. No modification or amendment of any provision of this Agreement will be binding on any Member unless in writing and signed by all the Members.

10.4 *Attorney Fees.* In the event of any suit or action to enforce or interpret any provision of this Agreement (or that is based on this Agreement), the prevailing party is entitled to recover, in addition to other costs, reasonable attorney fees in connection with the suit, action, or arbitration, and in any appeals. The determination of who is the prevailing party and the amount of reasonable attorney fees to be paid to the prevailing party will be decided by the court or courts, including any appellate courts, in which the matter is tried, heard, or decided.

10.5 *Further Effect.* The parties agree to execute other documents reasonably necessary to further effect and evidence the terms of this Agreement, as long as the terms and provisions of the other documents are fully consistent with the terms of this Agreement.

10.6 *Severability.* If any term or provision of this Agreement is held to be void or unenforceable, that term or provision will be severed from this Agreement, the balance of the Agreement will survive, and the balance of this Agreement will be reasonably construed to carry out the intent of the parties as evidenced by the terms of this Agreement.

10.7 *Captions.* The captions used in this Agreement are for the convenience of the parties only and will not be interpreted to enlarge, contract, or alter the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

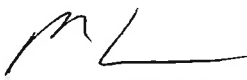
10.8 *Notices.* All notices required to be given by this Agreement will be in writing and will be effective when actually delivered or, if mailed, when deposited as certified mail, postage prepaid, directed to the addresses first shown above for each Member or to such other address as a Member may specify by notice given in conformance with these provisions to the other Members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this Agreement execute this Operating Agreement as of the date and year first above written.

MEMBERS:

Printed Name: Michael Christianos

Printed Name: Rachna Christianos

Signature: 

Signature: 

Listing of Members - Schedule 1

**LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OPERATING AGREEMENT
FOR PACKSADDLE RANCH LLC.
LISTING OF MEMBERS**

As of the 12/07/2020 the following is a list of Members of the Company:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

Michael Christianos

PO BOX 623

WILSON, WY 83014

Rachna Christianos

PO BOX 623

WILSON, WY 83014

Listing of Capital Contributions - Schedule 2

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OPERATING AGREEMENT

FOR PACKSADDLE RANCH LLC

CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Pursuant to ARTICLE 2, the Members' initial contribution to the Company capital is stated to be \$20.00. The description and each individual portion of this initial contribution is as follows:

NAME:	CONTRIBUTION:	% OWNERSHIP:
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Michael Christianos	\$10.00	50%
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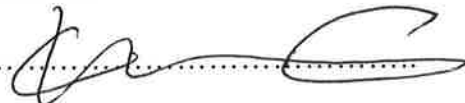
Rachna Christianos	\$10.00	50%
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SIGNED AND AGREED this 7th day of DECEMBER, 2020.

Printed/Typed Name: Michael Christianos

Signature: 

Printed/Typed Name: Rachna Christianos

Signature: 

ATTACHMENT 2A

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES Proof Report

8/9/2021

Water Right 22-14106

Owner Type **Name and Address**
Current Owner PACKSADDLE RANCH LLC
 1001 S MAIN ST # 49
 KALISPELL, MT 59901-5635
 (406) 607-6444

Priority Date: 5/9/1978

Basis: Decreed

Status: Active

Source
GROUND WATER

Tributary

Beneficial Use	From	To	Diversion Rate	Volume
IRRIGATION	04/15	10/15	0.270 CFS	54.0 AF
	Total Diversion		0.270 CFS	54.0 AF

Source and Point(s) of Diversion

GROUND WATER NWSESW Sec. 2, Twp 05N, Rge 44E, TETON County

Place Of Use

IRRIGATION within TETON County

			NE				NW				SW				SE				Totals
Twp	Rng	Sec	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
05N	44E	11					18.0												18.0

POU Total Acres: 18.0

Conditions of Approval:

1. C18 This partial decree is subject to such general provisions necessary for the definition of the rights or for the efficient administration of the water rights as may be ultimately determined by the Court at a point in time no later than the entry of a final unified decree. Section 42-1412(6), Idaho Code.
2. S37 THE USE OF WATER FOR IRRIGATION UNDER THIS RIGHT MAY BEGIN AS EARLY AS APRIL 15 AND MAY CONTINUE TO AS LATE AS OCTOBER 31, PROVIDED OTHER ELEMENTS OF THE RIGHT ARE NOT EXCEEDED. THE USE OF WATER BEFORE APRIL 15 AND AFTER OCTOBER 31 UNDER THIS REMARK IS SUBORDINATE TO ALL WATER RIGHTS HAVING NO SUBORDINATED EARLY OR LATE IRRIGATION USE AND A PRIORITY DATE EARLIER THAN THE DATE A PARTIAL DECREE IS ENTERED FOR THIS RIGHT.
3. F06 THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS ARE ALSO DIVERTED THROUGH POINT OF DIVERSION DESCRIBED ABOVE: 22-7279A, 22-7279B, 22-13188, 22-13262, 22-13263, 22-13256, 22-13273, 22-13275, 22-13276, 22-13718, 22-13719, 22-13718

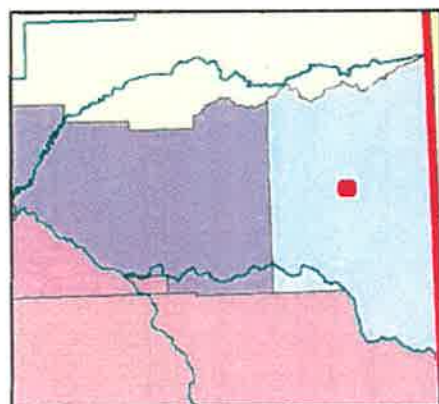


Idaho Department of Water Resources

Water Right
22-14106
(IRRIGATION)

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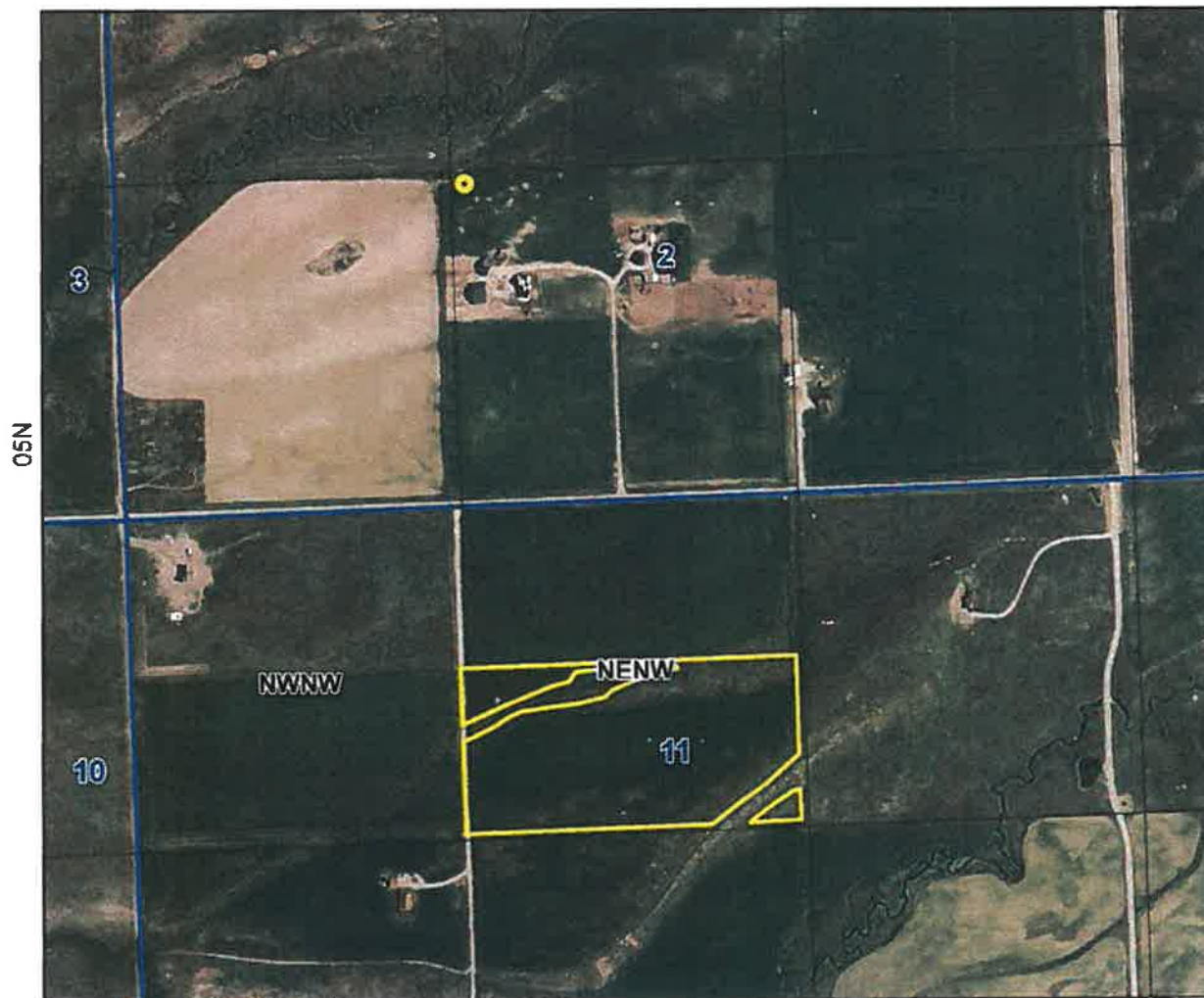
-  Point of Diversion
-  Place of Use
-  State Outline
-  Townships
-  PLS Sections
-  Quarter Quarters



Teton County
IDWR Basin 22

Prepared by Barg, Jonie

2009 Aerial Photography

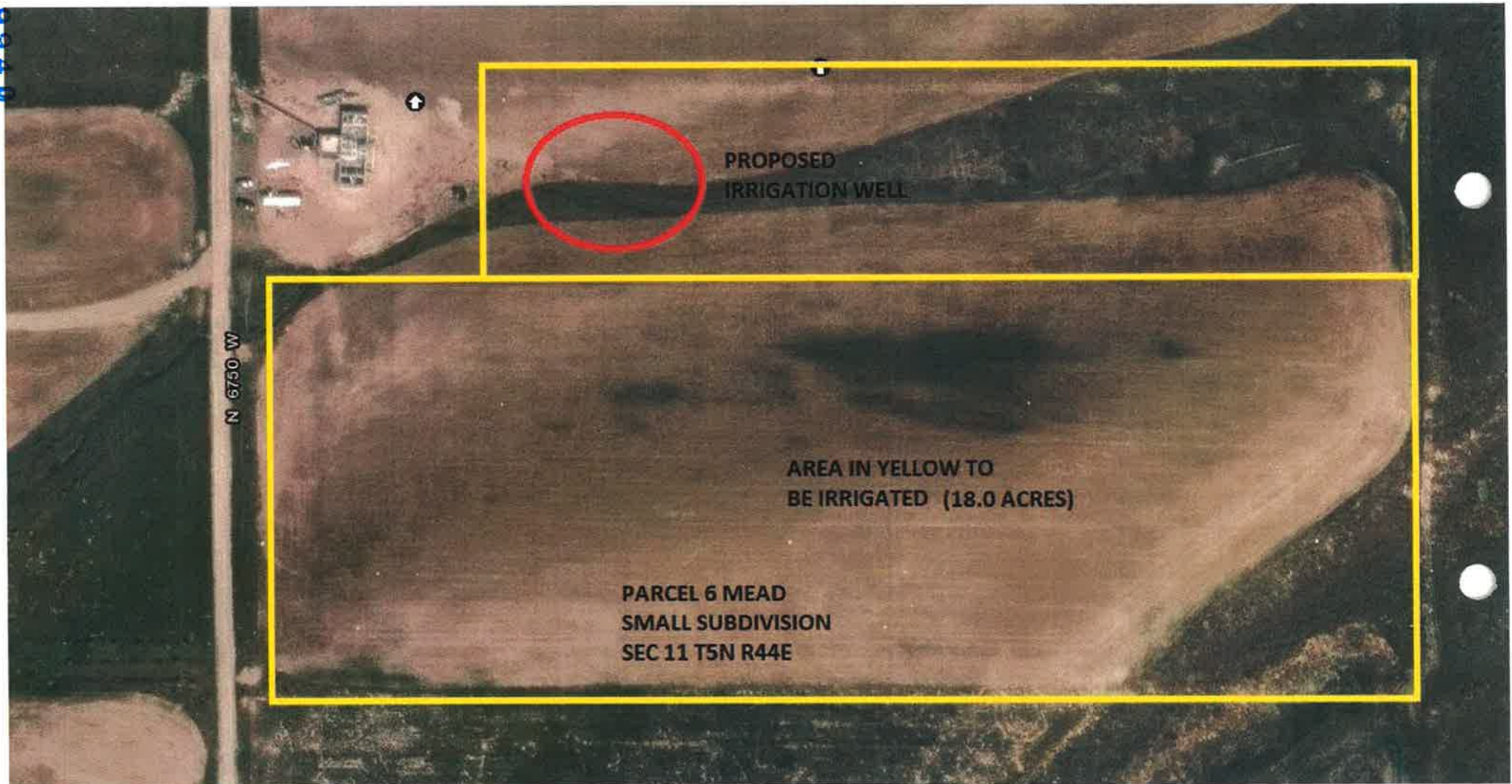


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ATTACHMENT 2B



ATTACHMENT 3C





IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

Eastern Region • 900 N Skyline Drive, Suite A • Idaho Falls, ID 83402-1718

Phone: 208-525-7161 • Fax: 208-525-7177 • Email: easterninfo@idwr.idaho.gov • Web: idwr.idaho.gov

Governor Brad Little

Director Mathew Weaver

July 30, 2025

PACKSADDLE RANCH LLC
1001 S MAIN ST # 49
KALISPELL, MT 59901-5635

RE: Transfer No. 89940
Water Right No(s). 22-14106

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Water Resources has received your water right transfer application. Please refer to the transfer number referenced above in all future correspondence regarding this transfer.

A legal notice of the application has been prepared and is scheduled for publication in the TETON VALLEY NEWS on 8/6/2025 and 8/13/2025. Protests to this application may be submitted for a period ending ten (10) days after the second publication.

If the application is protested, you will be sent a copy of each protest. All protests must be resolved before the application can be considered for approval. If the protest(s) cannot be resolved voluntarily, the Department will conduct a conference and/or hearing on the matter.

If the application is not protested, the Department will process your application and notify you of any action taken on the application. If your application is approved, the Department will send you a copy of the approval document.

Please contact this office if you have any questions regarding the application.

Sincerely,

Christina Henman
Administrative Assistant

Henman, Christina

From: Henman, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2025 12:41 PM
To: legalnotices@postregister.com
Subject: Legal Notice for Teton Valley News
Attachments: 89940 Teton Valley News.docx

LEGAL NOTICE DEPARTMENT
TETON VALLEY NEWS
80 E LITTLE AVE
DRIGGS, ID 83422

RE: Transfer No. 89940
Water Right No(s). 22-14106

Dear Legal Notice Department:

Please publish the enclosed legal notice on the dates indicated (once a week for two consecutive weekly issues). If you cannot publish the notice on the proposed dates, please contact us immediately.

An affidavit of publication must be submitted to the Department along with the publication bill. Please send the affidavit and bill to this office before 8/25/2025. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Thank You,



Christina Henman
Administrative Assistant
IDWR, Eastern Region
900 N Skyline Ste. A
Idaho Falls, ID 83402
Phone: (208) 525-7161

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT
TRANSFER NO. 89940**

PACKSADDLE RANCH LLC, 1001 S MAIN ST # 49, KALISPELL, MT 59901-5635 has filed Application No. 89940 for changes to the following water rights within TETON County(s): Right No(s). 22-14106; to see a full description of these rights and the proposed transfer, please see <https://research.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/waterrights/querynewtransfers>. The purpose of the transfer is to change a portion of the above rights as follows: change point of diversion. Proposed point of diversion is in NENW Sec 11 T05N R44E for 0.27 cfs from Ground Water.

For additional information concerning the property location, contact Eastern Region office at (208)525-7161. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code Sec. 42-222. Any protest against the proposed change must be filed with the Department of Water Resources, Eastern Region, 900 N SKYLINE DR STE A, IDAHO FALLS ID 83402-1718 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 8/25/2025. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

MATHEW WEAVER, Director

Published on 8/6/2025 and 8/13/2025

Re: Application for Water Transfer

From McKenna Webster <mckenna.webster@idwr.idaho.gov>

Date Fri 7/25/2025 11:33 AM

To Rach <rach17a@yahoo.com>

Alright, I'll get your application updated. Have great rest of your day!

Best Regards

McKenna Webster | Water Resource Agent

900 N Skyline Dr. Ste. A Idaho Falls, ID 83402

(208) 525-7161 (office) | www.idwr.idaho.gov



From: Rach <rach17a@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, July 25, 2025 9:30 AM

To: McKenna Webster <mckenna.webster@idwr.idaho.gov>

Subject: Re: Application for Water Transfer

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Hi McKenna,
The change looks good.

Thanks,
Mike

On Friday, July 25, 2025 at 09:25:51 AM MDT, McKenna Webster <mckenna.webster@idwr.idaho.gov> wrote:

Hello Mike,

Perfect! I've attached a pdf of the transfer application with the correction. Does that change look good to you?

Best Regards

McKenna Webster | Water Resource Agent

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From: Rach <rach17a@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, July 25, 2025 9:17 AM

To: McKenna Webster <mckenna.webster@idwr.idaho.gov>

Subject: Re: Application for Water Transfer

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Hi McKenna,

This is what we are trying to achieve: "moving your current point of diversion to your new well".

Thanks,

Mike

On Friday, July 25, 2025 at 09:10:27 AM MDT, McKenna Webster <mckenna.webster@idwr.idaho.gov> wrote:

Hello,

I've been reviewing your water right transfer application, and I just need some clarification on one thing. You checked the boxes for a 'change in the point(s) of diversion' and 'add point(s) of diversion'; this suggests that you are moving your current point of diversion to your current well, and you are adding a new point of diversion, which would be your new well. You would end up with two points of diversion in this case. Is this correct? If so, we would need the location of your current well to add to your application.

Or are you simply moving your current point of diversion to your new well? In this case, you would have a single point of diversion.

Best Regards