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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS**

In Re SRBA	)	Subcase No.: 29-14388 <i>et. al.</i> and 61-12467 <i>et. al.</i>
	)	See Exhibit A
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Case No. 39576	)	JOINT STATUS REPORT AND MOTION TO
	)	VACATE STATUS CONFERENCE
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On April 10, 2025, the Court entered an Order Granting Joint Motion to Stay Proceedings and Notice Setting Status Conference. A status conference was set for August 5, 2025, and the case was otherwise stayed. Objector the United States and Claimant Travis Williams (collectively, the “Parties”) hereby respectfully provide this status report and request that the Court vacate the August 5 status conference to allow the Parties more time to reach a resolution.¹

As good cause for this request, the Parties note that they continue to make progress towards a negotiated resolution along the framework reached in mediation before Special Master Bilyeu. Earlier this summer, Bureau of Land Management field staff conducted a site visit to several claimed sources, and the United States is now preparing a proposal for modifications to certain claims based on those site visits. Additionally, because neither party has yet been able to obtain certain grazing records in Mr. Williams’ claimed chain of predecessor grazing use, the United States has engaged a team of expert historians who are actively conducting searches at the National Archives and the Federal Records Center for those records. Because the Parties continue to work through issues productively but have not finalized an agreement, the Parties respectfully request that the Court vacate the August 5 status conference and instead order the Parties to file either a status report on continued discussions or a schedule for further proceedings in 90 days, on November 3, 2025.

¹ The Parties request that the stay of litigation otherwise be left in place.

DATED this 31st day of July, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on this 31st day of July, 2025, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing JOINT STATUS REPORT AND MOTION TO VACATE STATUS CONFERENCE, **together with Exhibit A** as indicated below:

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EXHIBIT A

Subcase Nos:

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EXHIBIT A