

**BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION)
FOR TRANSFER NO. 85359)
IN THE NAME OF)
SALUBRIA HOLDINGS LLC)**

**NOTICE OF PREHEARING
CONFERENCE**

On 9/30/2021, SALUBRIA HOLDINGS LLC, filed Application for Transfer No. 85359 with the Idaho Department of Water Resources (Department). Protest(s) were filed by MARION OGLE, & LEGG RANCH LLC, & KATHRYN A NOAH.

The Department has scheduled the matter for prehearing conference on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, beginning at 10:00 AM, at IDAHO DEPT OF WATER RESOURCES, CONFERENCE ROOM B, 322 E FRONT ST BOISE, ID 83702.

The presiding officer will be Hearing Officer Cynthia Bridge Clark.

Agenda items for the prehearing conference will include:

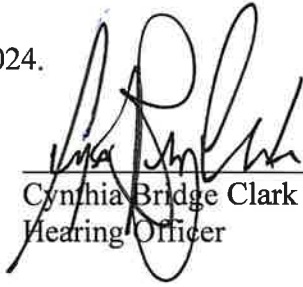
1. Identify spokesperson and/or counsel representing the applicant and protestant,
2. Review of the application,
3. Identify issues of protest,
4. Discovery needs,
5. Designate date for identifying witnesses and exhibits,
6. Designate target date for conducting administrative hearing if resolution is not possible during the prehearing conference and
7. Address other matters that may expedite orderly conduct and disposition of the proceeding.

It is important for all parties to give considerable thought to each of these matters before appearing at the prehearing.

The Department encourages the applicant and protestant(s) to discuss and resolve the protest(s) before the prehearing conference. If private discussions are not possible or do not resolve the protest(s), the Department's Rules of Procedure provide for a prehearing conference to be held before scheduling a formal hearing.

The prehearing conference will be conducted in a facility that satisfies the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require special accommodations in order to attend, participate in, or understand the prehearing conference, please notify the Department at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing. Inquiries about scheduling, hearing facilities, etc., should be directed to JEAN HERSHEY at 208-287-4842.

Dated this 25 day of March, 2024.



Cynthia Bridge Clark
Hearing Officer

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the 25th day of March 2024, I served or caused to be served the Notice of Prehearing Conference to the parties by the following method(s):

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PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND/OR HEARING PROCEDURE
APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER

ISSUES

Applications for transfer are filed for the purpose of changing a point of diversion, purpose of use, period of use or nature of use of all or part of a licensed, decreed or statutory water right. Section 42-222, Idaho Code, identifies the following potential issues that the Idaho Department of Water Resources (Department) considers in connection with an application for transfer:

1. Will the proposed transfer reduce the quantity of water under existing water rights?
2. Will the proposed transfer constitute an enlargement in use of the original water right?
3. Will the proposed transfer be contrary to the conservation of water resources within the State of Idaho?
4. Will the proposed transfer conflict with the local public interest, where local public interest is defined as interests that the people in the area directly affected by a proposed water use and its potential effects on the public water source?
5. Will the proposed transfer adversely affect the local economy of the watershed or local area within which the source of water for the proposed use originates, in the case where the place of use is outside of the watershed or local area where the source of water originates?
6. Is the proposed transfer consistent with the requirements for municipal providers, if applicable?
7. Will the proposed transfer change the nature of use from an agricultural use, and would such a change significantly affect the agricultural base of the local area?

BURDEN OF PROOF

The applicant has the initial burden of proof for issues 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7 above and must provide evidence for the Department to evaluate these criteria.

The initial burden of proof on issue 4 lies with both the applicant and protestant as to factors of which they are most knowledgeable and cognizant. The applicant has the ultimate burden of persuasion, however, for all of these issues.

PROCEDURE

The Department conducts a formal prehearing conference with the parties to determine the issues and to try to settle a protested matter before a hearing is scheduled. If a hearing is held, the Department will issue a written decision based on the hearing record.

CONFERENCE

The purpose of a prehearing conference is to provide the opportunity for the parties and the Department to familiarize themselves with a protested matter and to attempt to resolve the matter. At the conference, the Department may also formulate and simplify the issues to avoid unnecessary proof, identify documents, schedule discovery, exchange proposed exhibits or prepared testimony, limit witnesses, discuss settlement or make settlement offers, schedule hearings, establish procedure at hearing, and address other matters that may expedite orderly conduct and disposition of the proceeding or its settlement. When attending the conference, please bring a calendar with your schedule for the next two–six month period from the date of the prehearing conference for the purpose of scheduling a hearing. Parties will be expected to discuss their availability at the prehearing conference for the purpose of scheduling the hearing.

HEARING

The scheduled hearing will be conducted according to Sections 42-1701A(1) and (2), Idaho Code and the Department's Rules of Procedure. Copies of Idaho Code and the Department's rules are available upon request or by accessing the Department's website at: www.idwr.idaho.gov. The Department records formal hearings. Copies of a hearing recording are available upon request. There may be a charge for reproducing the recording.

The hearing will likely be conducted by a hearing officer appointed by the Director rather than by the Director himself. If so, the hearing officer will prepare a recommended or preliminary order. Parties can petition for reconsideration of a decision or file exceptions. A brief to support exceptions may request oral argument. Parties may seek judicial review of any final order issued by the Director.

EXHIBITS

A party who plans to offer an exhibit as part of the hearing record must provide a copy of the proposed exhibit to the parties and to the hearing officer.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

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