

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
IN-OFFICE REVIEW/BENEFICIAL USE FIELD REPORT

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

Exam Date: 7/29/2025

1. Does this qualify for an in-office field exam (IDAPA 37.03.02.035.01.q)? ☒ X ☐ Y ☐ N
- a. ☒ X Irrigation of 5 acres or less
- b. ☐ Storage of up to 14.6 AF for stockwater purposes only
- c. ☐ Any use other than irrigation or storage, if the combined diversion rate is 0.24 cfs or less
- d. ☐ Other < >

2. Current Owner: Sandi Bates

Owner of Record Correct? ☒ X ☐ Y ☐ NAddress of Record Correct? ☒ X ☐ Y ☐ N

If No Explain:

3. Beneficial Use Fees have been paid: ☒ X ☐ Y ☐ N Receipt No: C116830.

4. Source: Tributary:

SHEEP CREEK NORTH FORK SALMON RIVER

Method of Determination: GIS ArcMap Tools, Aerial Imagery, and Taxlot Data.

Change in Source: ☐ Y ☒ X ☐ N**B. OVERLAP REVIEW**1. Other water rights with the same place of use: ☒ X No Overlap

Water Right No.	Source	Purpose of Use	Basis
75-10596	Ground Water	Domestic	Decreed

Comments: This water right is from a different source and for a different property.

2. Other water rights with the same point of diversion: ☒ X No Overlap

Water Right No.	Source	Purpose of Use	Basis
Numerous	Sheep Creek	Irrigation, Stockwater, Fish Propagation	Decreed, License

Comments: POD shape is shared with 19 other Water Rights: 75-10957, 75-13700, 75-14632, 75-14633, 75-14634, 75-14684, 75-14685, 75-14806, 75-14932, 75-14968, 75-14370, 75-14367, 75-14274, 75-15059, 75-14492, 75-14493, 75-2006A, 75-4298A, 75-7477, 75-15048, and 75-15032. They all have the same source listed and are mostly used for irrigation, excluding 75-13700 which includes stockwater and 75-10957 which is for fish propagation. All of these rights are for separate properties.

C. DIVERSION AND DELIVERY SYSTEM

1. Location of Point(s) of Diversion:

Source	Govt. Lot	¼	¼	¼	Sec.	Twp.	Rge.		County
Sheep Creek			SE	NW	14	25N	21E	B.M.	Lemhi

Method of Determination: GIS and Taxlot data.

Change in POD? ☐ Y ☒ X ☐ N Amendment Required? ☐ Y ☒ X ☐ N

Place of Use: Irrigation

TWP	RGE	Sec	NE				NW				SW				SE				Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
25N	21E	15	0.2	0.8	0.5	0.2													
		Lot #																	
Total Acres =																			1.7

Method of Determination: GIS, Tax Parcel Data, and 2023 Lemhi County Aerial Imagery.

Change in POU? ☐ Y ☒ N Amendment Required? ☐ Y ☒ N

3. Diversion System Information:

Description:

☐ Delivery System Diagram Attached. (mark all major components and distances between components)☒ Map Attached Showing Location(s) of point(s) of diversion and place(s) of use (required).☒ Aerial Photo Attached (required)☐ Photo of Diversion and System Attached

3. Diversion Id No.*	Motor Make	HP	Motor Serial No.	Pump Make	Pump Serial No. or Discharge Size
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

*Code to correspond with No. on map and aerial photo

D. FLOW MEASUREMENTS

1. Measurement Equipment	Type	Make	Model No.	Serial No.	Size	Calib. Date
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

2. Measurement Comments:

No measurement is required for an in-office examination per IDAPA Beneficial Use Examination Rules.

E. FLOW CALCULATIONS

☐ Additional Computation Sheets Attached

Measured Method: (acres irrigated) x (generic diversion rate) = (1.7 acres) x (0.03 cfs/acre) = 0.051 cfs, which rounds to 0.05 cfs

Comments:

No measurement is required for an in-office examination per IDAPA Beneficial Use Examination Rules.

F. VOLUME CALCULATIONS

1. Volume Calculations for Irrigation:

$$V_{I.R.} = (\text{Acres Irrigated}) \times (\text{Irrigation Requirement}) =$$

$$V_{D.R.} = [\text{Diversion Rate (cfs)}] \times (\text{Days in Irrigation season}) \times 1.9835 =$$

$$V = \text{Smaller of } V_{I.R.} \text{ and } V_{D.R.} =$$

Comments: This water use is exempt from the volume reporting requirement per IDAPA Beneficial Use Examination Rules.

G. PURPOSE OF USEIrrigation ☒ X ☐ Y ☐ N # Stock _____ Domestic # of Homes _____

Other: < >

Change in Purpose of Use? ☐ Y ☒ X ☐ N

Method of Determination: GIS, Tax Parcel Data, 2023 Lemhi County Aerial Imagery, and the permit holders Statement of Completion for Proof of Beneficial Use.

If Yes: From Use _____ To Use _____ Amount _____ CFS _____ AFA _____

H. NARRATIVE/REMARKS/COMMENTS

This permit qualifies for an in-house exam because it is for irrigation for less than 5 acres. The exam was conducted on July 29, 2025, by Jared Klay. At the time of the exam, ownership of the permit is in the name of Sandi Bates. Current Lemhi County taxlot data represents the permit holder owns the land appurtenant to the place of use (POU) and point of diversion (POD). Proof of Beneficial Use was submitted on August 2, 2023.

The permit holder was authorized to develop up to 1.7 acres of irrigation. Further review using GIS data, Google Earth Imagery, and photos provided by the permit holder verifies that the irrigated place of use comes to 1.7 acres. Therefore, I am recommending the place of use for irrigation as 1.7 acres, with a diversion rate of 0.05 cfs. I am not recommending volume, as this use is exempt from volume reporting requirements as per the Beneficial Use Rules.

The point of diversion for this water right is shared with 19 other water right holders. The point of diversion is located on property owned by the U.S. Forest Service. The permit holders have provided documentation of approval from the U.S. Forest Service of this diversion.

A field report completed for 75-7477 estimated the ditch capacity to be 12.7 cfs based on data from 75-10957. The total diversion rate of all 19 active water rights with this same point of diversion is 4.16 CFS. Because the addition of the recommended rate for this water right (75-15040) does not exceed the calculated capacity of 12.7 CFS for the ditch, it seems reasonable that this use will not cause any strain to the diversion system or to other water users.

All the conditions of this permit have been met. The permit holder confirmed they have installed a lockable device. Therefore, Condition 01H will be updated to Condition R02 per the usage description. Condition 939 will be removed from the license because the permit holders are in compliance with the U.S. Forest Service. Condition R05 will be added to clarify this water right's position in Water District 75F. All other conditions will be carried over to the license.

Condition F06 was considered to be added to the license to reflect the shared point of diversion with other water rights. However, the tools available for an in-office exam are unable to definitively confirm if this one diversion is shared between all of the other 19 water rights. Condition F06 will not be added to the license.

Have conditions of permit approval been met? ☒ x Yes ☐ No**I. RECOMMENDATIONS**

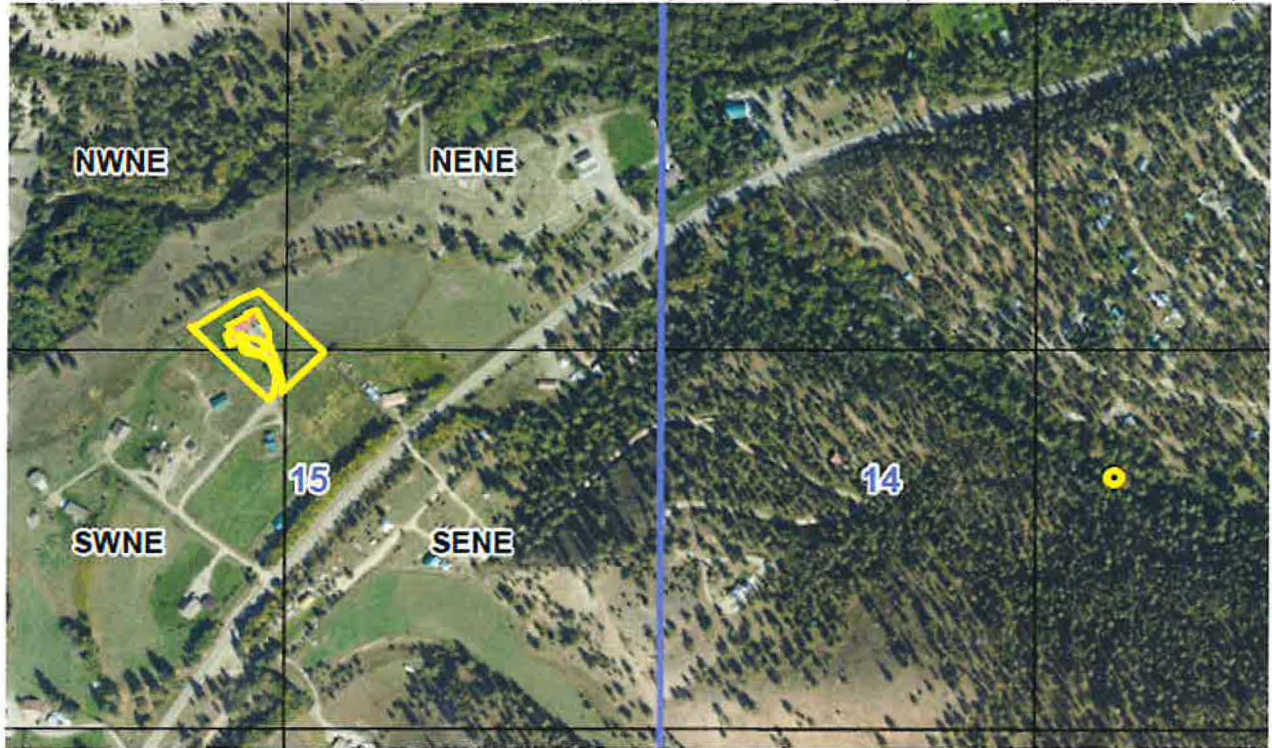
1. Recommended Amounts:

<u>BENEFICIAL USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>DIVERSION RATE</u>	<u>ANNUAL VOLUME</u>
Irrigation	04/01-10/31	0.05 CFS	
<u>Totals:</u>		0.05 CFS	

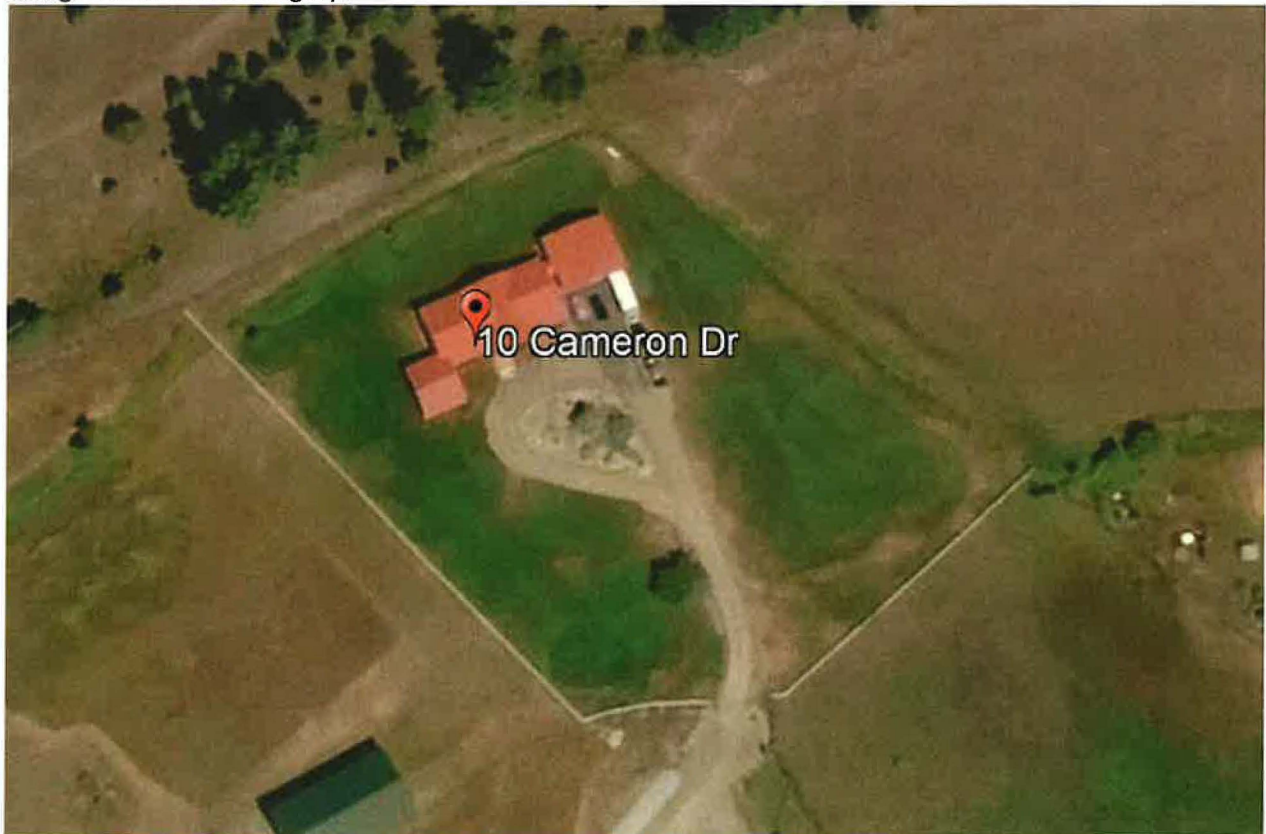
2. Recommended Amendments:

☐ Change P.D. as reflected above ☐ Add P.D. as reflected above ☒ x None☐ Change P.U. as reflected above ☐ Add P.U. as reflected above ☒ x None**J. AUTHENTICATION – Jared Klay**Field Examiner's Jared Klay Date 7/29/25Reviewer Ph... Date 9/5/25

Map showing the authorized point of diversion (yellow point) and irrigated place of use (yellow outline).



Google Earth aerial imagery.



Photos provided by the permit holders

