

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 11, 2025
To: Transfer 89972
From: McKenna Webster
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to move the point of diversion for 34-14972, the split portion of 34-10860 owned by the applicant.

Authority to File:

The ownership of the split portion of 34-10860 is updated in this transfer; the deeds provided show that the water rights were not withheld in the sale of the land to the applicant. Additionally, Butte County parcel data shows that the applicant is the owner of the place of use.

Water Right Validity:

The parent water right was decreed in the SRBA in 2001. Aerial imagery suggests irrigation of the current place of use in 2023 and 2021. Because there have not been 5 consecutive years of non-irrigation, forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The current and proposed points of diversion are within the ESPA but lie within the same model cell. ESPA model run not required. The transfer application was advertised, and no protests were received. The water master was notified of the application, and no comment was provided.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed changes will not result in enlargement because the authorized diversion rate, volume and acreage will not increase as a result of the transfer.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Effect on Economy of the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Effect on Agricultural Base of the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.