

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT No. 1954

This Lease Contract ("**Lease**") is between the Idaho Water Resource Board ("**Board**"), and

LESSOR: JOHN C BRANCA III
1625 RIVER DR
JACKSON, WY 83001-8850

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RECITALS

1. The Board is authorized under chapter 17, title 42, Idaho Code to operate a water supply bank and to contract with lessors to act as an intermediary in facilitating the rental of water.
2. The Lessor has filed a completed application to lease water rights described below into the Water Supply Bank on forms supplied by the Idaho Department of Water Resources and received by the Department on December 12, 2024.
3. The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources has reviewed the application for compliance with the Water Supply Bank rules and has approved the Lease subject to conditions listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and contracts herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **WATER RIGHTS:** The Lessor shall lease and the Board shall accept into the Bank the Applicant's water rights described as follows:

Summary of Water Rights or Portions Leased to the Bank

Water Right No.	Priority Date	Source	Diversion Rate (CFS)	Diversion Volume (AF)	Acres (AC)
1-10687	3/14/1978	SNAKE RIVER, tributary to COLUMBIA RIVER	0.27	Not Stated	16.0
35-14650	4/22/1979	GROUND WATER	0.32	Not Stated	16.0
Lease Totals			0.59	Not Stated	16.0

Summary of Water Rights Elements Rentable From the Bank

Water Right	Diversion Rate (CFS)	Diversion Volume (AF)	Acres (Limited) (AC)	Rate Per Acre (CFS/AC)	Volume Per Acre (AF/AC)
1-10687	0.27	64.0	16.0	0.02	4.00
35-14650	0.32	64.0	16.0	0.02	4.00
Combined Limit Totals	0.59	64.0	16.0	0.04	4.00

** The water right elements rentable have been reduced from the water right elements leased to account for combined limits and a defined volume limit that is based on the regional field headgate irrigation standard of 4.0 afa/acre.*

2. **COMPENSATION:** The Lessor shall accept and the Board shall pay compensation determined by the amount of water rented under the following rental rate during such times as the water is rented from the Bank over the term of this Lease.

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Minimum Payment Acceptable: Current Rental Rate

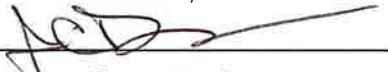
3. **TERM OF LEASE:** The term of this lease shall be January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2025. This Lease shall bind the parties and take effect when both parties have signed it.
4. **WATER SUPPLY BANK CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE:** The Lessor shall abide by all terms and conditions contained in the Water Supply Bank Conditions of Acceptance, attached hereto as "Attachment A" and incorporated herein by this reference.
5. **CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT:** This lease specifies water right elements including but not limited to: diversion rates; diversion volumes; number of acres authorized to be irrigated; places of use; points of diversion; beneficial uses; and seasons of use. During the term of this lease, if a water right is administratively changed due to a water right split and renumbering, this lease may be reduced by an equal amount to reflect the water right elements as legally defined under the water right. If a lease contract cannot be reduced sufficient to reflect the legal definition of a water right as amended through a water right split and/or water right transfer, the Board may release the water right from the Water Supply Bank.
6. **ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT:** This lease is between the Board and the Lessor, who is the recognized owner or designated representative of the recognized owners of water rights described herein. Should ownership of any part of a water right herein described change during the term of this lease, either through a water right split, a water right transfer, sale of property to which the water right is appurtenant, or through any other recognized water right reassignment, the lease benefits and obligations to the conditions of acceptance for any such water rights will be assigned to the new owners.
7. **DUPLICATE ORIGINAL:** This Lease is executed in duplicate. Each of the documents with an original signature of each party shall be an original.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract on the date following their respective signatures.

LESSOR: JOHN C BRANCA III
1625 RIVER DR
JACKSON, WY 83001-8850

By 
Title Owner
Date 20 Sept 25

IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

322 East Front Street
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

By 
Brian Patton, Executive Manager
Idaho Water Resource Board

Date 10/10/25

Lease approved by IDWR 

Date 10/10/25

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5. While a water right is in the bank, forfeiture provisions are stayed pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-223(5).
6. Rental of water under this right is subject to the limitations and conditions of approval of the water right.
7. Failure of the right holder to comply with the conditions of acceptance is cause for the Director to rescind acceptance of the lease.
8. Acceptance of a right into the bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the right or any elements of the water right, or improve the status of the right including the notion of resumption of use. It does not preclude the opportunity for review of the validity of this water right in any other Department application process.
9. In accordance with Idaho Code § 42-248 and § 42-1409(6), all owners of water rights are required to notify the Department of any changes in mailing address or change in ownership of all or part of a water right. Notice must be provided within 120 days of the change.
10. If a water right leased into the Water Supply Bank is sold or conveyed during the lease term, and if the leased right was rented, the rental proceeds will be disbursed in the following manner regardless of any arrangements between the buyer(s) and seller(s) to the contrary:
 - a. Rental payments will go to the lessor(s) of record at the beginning of the rental season, even if the Department processes a Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership during the rental season.
 - b. New lessor(s) of record will receive payment for any subsequent rental seasons.
11. The water right(s) is leased to the bank subject to all prior water rights and shall be administered in accordance with Idaho law and applicable rules of the Department of Water Resources.
12. A measuring device of a type approved by the Department shall be permanently installed and maintained as part of the diverting works.
13. Use of this right with all other rights is limited to a total combined annual diversion volume of 64 af at the field headgate for the lands below.
14. Right Nos. 1-10687 and 35-14650 are limited to the irrigation of a combined total of 16 acres in a single irrigation season.
15. Use of water under water right 01-10687 may be regulated by a watermaster with responsibility for the distribution of water among appropriators within a water district. At the time of this approval, this water right is within State Water District No. 01.
16. Use of water under water right 35-14650 may be regulated by a watermaster with responsibility for the distribution of water among appropriators within a water district. At the time of this approval, this water right is within State Water District No. 120.

1-10687,35-14650
Effective until December 31, 2025



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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCESSTATE OF IDAHO
WATER RESOURCE BOARD

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APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK

Applicant / Designated Lessor

John C Branca III

(Select one owner – see item 1A on the application)

Water Right No.

1-10687

(One water right per application)

Is this application being submitted with a rental application as a lease/rental package? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, include renter and rental fee payment information as attachment 5B.

This application must be prepared in accordance with the minimum requirement checklist below. Use this checklist to ensure all necessary documentation has been provided. This checklist is part of the lease application and must be included with the lease application. **Applications that do not meet the minimum requirements will not be processed and may be returned or denied.**

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

Check All Items as Either Attached (Yes) or Not Applicable (N/A)

Yes

Completed *Application to Sell or Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank*, printed **single sided**, per requirement of the Water Supply Bank.

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N/A

Yes

Attachments



1A

Signatures and contact information for **all owners** of the water right to be leased or sold on this application.

1B

An Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form W-9 for the Applicant / Designated Lessor.

1C

Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership form (accessible from www.idwr.idaho.gov).

1D

Contact information for an authorized representative and documentary proof they are authorized to represent the Applicant on this application. If the Applicant is a business, partnership, municipality, organization or association, include documents identifying officers authorized to sign or act on behalf of the entity.



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Description of a water right portion offered to the Water Supply Bank.



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A map that clearly outlines the specific location where irrigated acres will be dried up, or where a beneficial use of water will be suspended. You have the option of printing a map using the map tool on IDWR's website at: www.idwr.idaho.gov.



4A

Written consent from irrigation district or water delivery company.



4G

Evidence demonstrating the water right has not been forfeited pursuant to Section 42-222(2), Idaho Code.

5B

Rental rate and owner payment agreement between lessor and renter for lease/rental packages.

Department Use Only

Fee Amount \$ 250.00Received By: BMDate Received: 12-12-24Receipt # C19606W-9 received? Yes ☐ No ☒ (Route W-9 to Fiscal)

Name on W-9:

3139

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(Continued)

1. CONTACT INFORMATION

- A. The applicant or designated lessor must be listed as a current owner of the water right offered for sale or lease to the Water Supply Bank. If there are multiple current owners, choose one owner as the Designated Lessor. Complete and attach the Designated Lessor - Attachment 1A of this application package with the signatures of all current owners.

Applicant / Designated Lessor John C Brancetti
Mailing Address 1625 E. River Dr Jackson WY 83021
Street City State Zip Code
Email Address JCB101702@IBN.Com Phone Number 307 733 9208

☒ The Applicant is the sole owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank.

OR

☐ The Designated Lessor is representing additional water right holders who have completed Attachment 1A.

- B. Has the Designated Lessor / Applicant submitted an IRS Form W-9 to this Department within 6 months? Yes ☒ No ☐
If no, complete the form and attach to this application (Attachment 1B).
- C. Are all applicants on this form listed in IDWR's records as the current owners of the water right? Yes ☒ No ☐
If no, attach a Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership form along with the required documentation and fee (Attachment 1C).
- D. Is this application being completed by an authorized representative of the Water Right Holder? Yes ☐ No ☐
If yes, representatives (includes employees of Water Right Holder companies) must complete this section and submit documentary proof of their authority to represent the Water Right Holder (Attachment 1D).

Name of Representative _____ Organization _____
Professional Title _____ Email Address _____
Mailing Address _____ Phone Number _____

☐ Send all correspondence for this application to the representative and not to the Designated Lessor / Applicant.

OR

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2. DESCRIPTION OF WATER RIGHT OFFERED TO THE BANK

☒ The full water right is being offered to the Bank and none will still be used.

OR

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If a portion of the water right is being offered, complete Attachment 2.

3. MAP

Attach a map The map must locate the point of diversion from the source of water and the location of the lands to be idled or the place where the water will no longer be used. The map must also show townships, ranges, sections, and government lots. **For irrigation purposes**, mark the number of acres for lease **per** 40-acre tract (1/4-1/4). If the water right proposed for lease is located within a permissible place of use (PPU) and portions of the PPU will continue to receive water from non-leased water rights, clearly outline on a map the acres within the PPU that will continue to be irrigated, as well as acres that will be idled during the lease term. Label the map **Attachment 3**.

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APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
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4. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. Identify the owner of the water delivery system or well P.T. Elliott

If your water right is delivered through a canal, lateral or ditch operated by a canal company, irrigation district, or similar delivery entity, your lease request must include written consent from the company, district, or similar entity for your removal of water from its system pursuant to Section 42-108, Idaho Code and IDAPA WSB Rule 37.02.03.25.02e. (Label Attachment 4A)

- B. Please provide a description of the current water diversion and delivery system, including source, pump, pipeline or diversion.

Subdivision system to be installed
by Developer - P.T. Elliott

- C. Describe any other water sources, including municipal, irrigation company shares, or water rights with combined limits to the water right offered to the bank, which are used for the same purpose at the same place of use as the water right being offered to the Bank. _____

- D. Are any of the water rights identified in Section 4C stacked with the water right proposed for lease? Yes ☐ No ☒

Stacked water rights are used together to achieve a common beneficial use, such as irrigation of the same lands, and usually have combined limits in the conditions of the water rights. Stacked water rights cannot be separated and must be jointly leased to the Water Supply Bank. Stacked water rights qualify for the multiple fee payment of \$500.

- E. Will the present place of use continue to receive water from any other source, including those listed in 4C? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, explain the relationship between the different water sources and how enlargement of the authorized use will not occur if this water right is leased. _____

- F. Has any portion of this water right undergone a period of five or more consecutive years of non-use? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, describe the circumstances and attach evidence to demonstrate how the water right has not been lost through forfeiture (Label Attachment 4G). See Section 42-223, Idaho Code for exceptions to forfeiture, including lease into the Bank. Your application may be denied if forfeiture concerns are not addressed. Leased to Water Bank.

- G. Identify annual volumes and/or rates of water diverted (used) in the last 5 years to accomplish the beneficial use authorized by this water right. _____

- H. Is this water right involved in any other IDWR process, such as an application for transfer or a mitigation plan? ☐ ☒

If yes, describe. _____

Yes No

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Market Value

I hereby assert that the information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge, and that I have the authorities necessary to offer this water right for sale or lease to the Idaho Water Resource Board.

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Signature of Designated Lessor or Applicant

John C Bruneau

Printed Name

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Date

Signature of Co-Applicant

Printed Name

Date

Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

Date

Mail to:
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P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

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Signature of Designated Lessor or Applicant

John C Brance III
Printed Name

3 Dec '24
Date

Signature of Co-Applicant

Printed Name

Date

Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

Date

Mail to:
Idaho Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

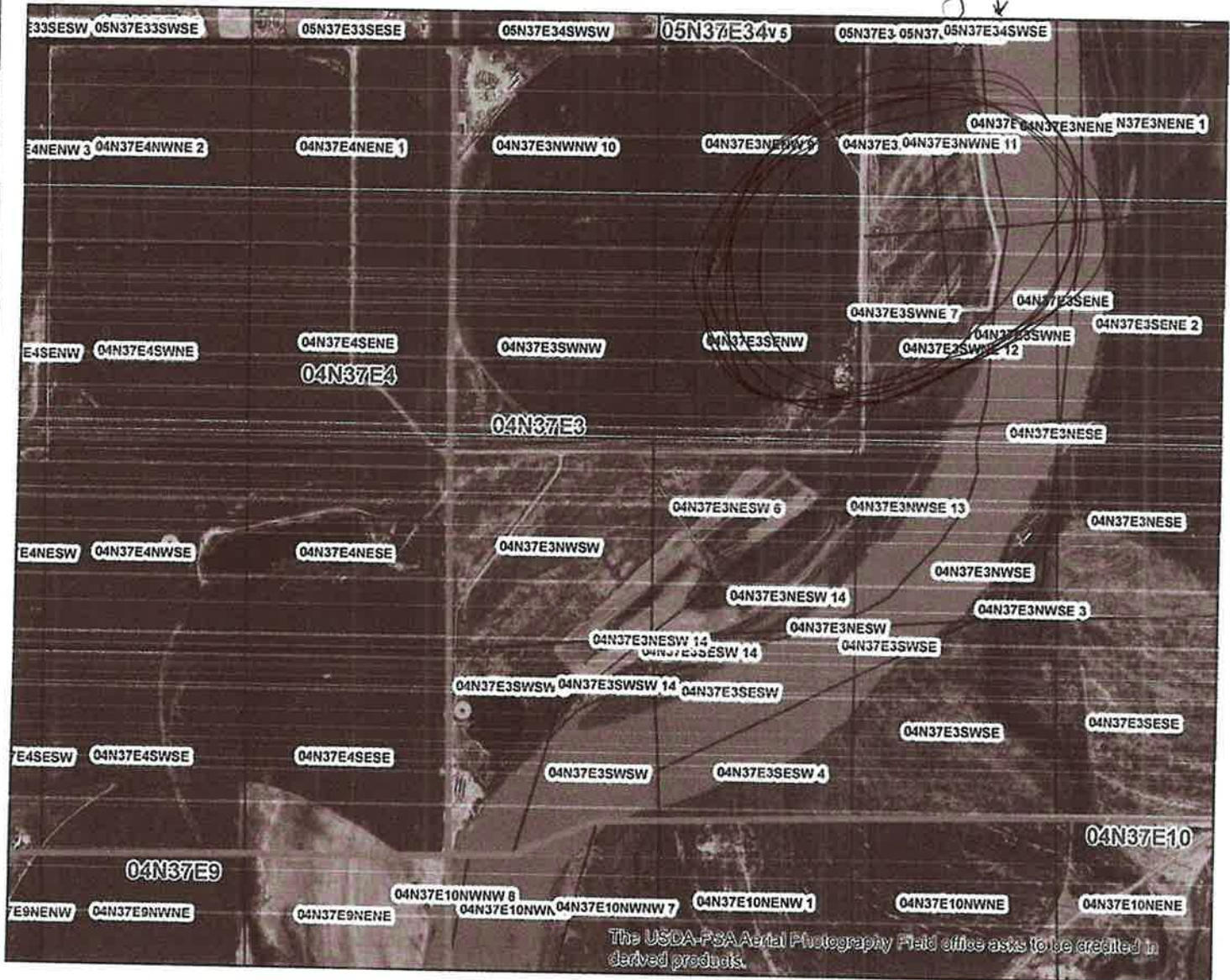
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Idaho Water Resource Board
Water Supply Bank Lease Contract No. 1192

1-10687 & 35-14650
Effective until December 31, 2021

This map depicts the place of use to be idled pursuant to the lease contract and is attached to the contract solely for illustrative purposes.

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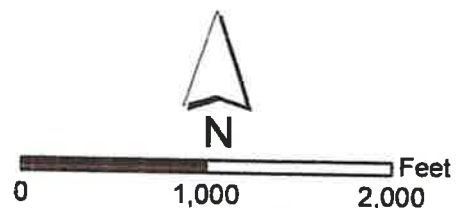
Approved Lease Point of Diversion

Approved Lease Place of Use

Township/Range

Sections

QQ





IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

322 E Front Street, Suite 648, Boise ID 83702 • PO Box 83720, Boise ID 83720-0098
Phone: 208-287-4800 • Fax: 208-287-6700 • Email: idwrinfo@idwr.idaho.gov • Website: idwr.idaho.gov

Governor Brad Little

Director Mathew Weaver

October 10, 2025

JOHN C BRANCE III
1625 RIVER DR
JACKSON, WY 83001-8850

RE: WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT **1954**
FOR WATER RIGHTS **1-10687, 35-14650**

Dear Lessor:

Water rights **1-10687, 35-14650** are leased into the Water Supply Bank (Bank) as of January **2024** in accordance with the enclosed executed lease contract. **Your water rights, as described on the lease contract, are considered leased into the Bank and should remain unused until they are formally released from the Bank.** More information and further restrictions placed on your water rights while leased can be found in conditions of acceptance of the lease contract. Read the conditions of acceptance carefully.

The right(s) will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2025**, unless the rights are released earlier by the Water Resource Board (Board). To release the water rights from the Bank prior to the release date, submit a written request on the *Request to Release a Water Right from the Bank* form. This form is available on our public website at www.idwr.idaho.gov. **Please note your water rights may not be available for immediate release if they are rented.**

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact this office at bank@idwr.idaho.gov or 208-287-4800.

Sincerely,

Kris Margheim

Kris Margheim
Technical Records Specialist

Enclosure: Executed Lease Contract

c: IDWR- Eastern Region Office
Water District No. 1, 120 (via email)



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Governor Brad Little

Director Mathew Weaver

September 10, 2025

JOHN C BRANCA III
1625 RIVER DR
JACKSON, WY 83001-8850

RE: APPLICATION TO LEASE WATER RIGHTS 1-10687,35-14650 TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK CONTRACT 1954

******TIME SENSITIVE RESPONSE REQUIRED*****

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Water Resources has completed its review of your application to lease the above-mentioned water right to the Water Supply Bank. **I have enclosed two original Water Supply Bank Lease Contracts for your review and signature. Please sign and return ALL Lease Contracts within 14 days.** Upon signature and return of the contracts, the Department will also sign the original contracts and return an executed copy to you. The Lease Contract is not considered final until you and the Department have both signed.

The right will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2025** unless the right is released earlier by the Board, or upon your request. To release the right from the Bank prior to the release date, submit a written request on the Request to Release a Water Right from the Bank form. To propose a new lease period, submit a new Application to Sell or Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank form along with applicable fees to the Department. These forms are available from any IDWR office or from our public website at <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov>. Please note your right may not be available for immediate release if it has been rented.

Please review the conditions of acceptance listed on the Lease Contract, including #3 which says:

"While a right is in the bank, **the lessor may not use the right** without approval of the department even if the right is not rented from the bank. Any violation of the terms of this lease may result in enforcement procedures pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-351 for illegal diversion and use of water and may include civil penalties pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701B."

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact this office at bank@idwr.idaho.gov or 208-287-4800.

Sincerely,

Catalina Beck

for
Water Supply Bank

Enclosures: Proposed Lease Contracts
Receipt C119606

Beck, Catalina

From: Beck, Catalina
Sent: Friday, March 7, 2025 7:55 AM
To: Skinner, Corey
Cc: Chandler, Craig; Bank
Subject: Water Supply Lease Application 3139 for John Branca III
Attachments: Lease - Map 2024.pdf; Re_ Lease Application 3139 for Water Right Numbers 1-10687 and 35-14650.pdf; L1.1.2 Lease Review Memo.docx; Request for Information re Lease Application 3139 for Water Right Numbers 1-10687 and 35-14650 (1).pdf; WSB Lease Application 3139 J Branca III 35-14650 (1).pdf; WSB Lease Application 3139 J Branca III 1-10687 (1).pdf

Good Morning Corey

We are seeking comments, regarding the Water Supply Bank (WSB) lease application 3139 for Irrigation Use for John Branca III .I have attached a copy of the lease applications, the lease review, a map for your reference.

Please submit your comments within 7 days, no later than March14, 2025 . If we do not hear from you by that date, we will assume that no comment from you means you have no objection to, concerns about, or conditions about the lease.

Comments are preferred to be received by e-mail to catalina.beck@idwr.idaho.gov. However, comments by regular mail and/or FAX to 208-287-7420 are acceptable.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me at the State Office at (208) 287-4920.

Catalina Beck



Catalina Beck
Water Resource Agent
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Idaho Department of Water Resources State Office
322 E Front Street Boise, ID 83702

MEMORANDUM FOR APPLICATION # 3139

To: Water Rights 35-14650, 01-10687
From: Catalina Beck Water Resource Agent
Date: March 06, 2025
Re: Review & Analysis of Application to Lease Water to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: An application to lease water rights 35-14650, and 01-10687 was received on December 23, 2024 proposing to lease the full water rights for a two-year term beginning in 2024 and ending in 2025. Water right 1-10687 authorizes irrigation from the Snake River, and when combined with water right 35-14650 which authorizes irrigation from groundwater, the rights are limited to a total of 16 acres. Condition E55 for both rights indicates an area of 16 acres. It appears that 4 acres from the right has been separated since the previous lease. Water rights 35-14650, and 01-10687 are within the Snake River Basin Moratorium Area, the Eastern Snake Plane Aquifer Ground Water Management Area, and in the Bonneville Jefferson Ground District. The application is a repeat of lease contracts no. 1192 and more recently 1513.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: The lease application was signed by John Branca III. County parcel data shows the land under the water right for lease is in the name of John Branca III. No concerns with authority.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: The parent water right of 01-10687 was decreed in 2007 and the parent right of 35-14650 was decreed in 2004. Previously parent right 35-7720 had been leased to the Bank before portions were split through an ownership change. Water rights 01-10687 and 35-14650 were in the bank for several consecutive terms starting in 2020 and was rented in 2021. Review of aerial photography shows evidence of irrigation within the 5 years before the rights began being leased to the bank. No concerns with validity of the water rights offered to the bank.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: There are no concerns that the lease would cause injury to other water rights.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: There are no apparent enlargement concerns for these water rights since the place of use will not receive irrigation from any other source. Preservation of the overall combined acre limit and source should be evaluated should the rights be rented.

LOCAL PUBLIC INTEREST This application is consistent with the local public interest.

BENEFICIAL USE/CONSERVATION OF WATER RESOURCES: The lease appears consistent with the conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS: The location for the leased POD is in the Southern Region, within Water District # 01, and within Water District #120. Comments were requested on March 7, 2025. No comments were made.

From: [John B](#)
To: [Condon, Mary](#)
Cc: [Bank](#)
Subject: Re: Lease Application 3139 for Water Right Numbers 1-10687 and 35-14650
Date: Monday, January 6, 2025 4:39:49 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Hi Mary!!
Yes let's cover the gap.
2024 covered to expire the end of 25.
If I'm still not understanding I apologize and let me know!
Thank you for your patience and assistance!!
Thanks again!
John Branca

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From: Condon, Mary <Mary.Condon@idwr.idaho.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 23, 2024 3:05:27 PM
To: jcb101702@msn.com <jcb101702@msn.com>
Cc: Bank <Bank@idwr.idaho.gov>
Subject: Lease Application 3139 for Water Right Numbers 1-10687 and 35-14650

Good afternoon, John,

We received new lease applications for the above referenced water rights, with a requested start year of 2025. The previous lease contracts expired on December 31, 2023, which would result in a gap year between the last contract and the newest application.

Please reply to this email if you would like to change the requested start year of the newest lease applications to begin in 2024.

Thank you, and Happy Holidays!
Mary

Mary Condon
Water Supply Bank Program Coordinator



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