

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 14, 2025
To: Transfer 90092
From: McKenna Webster
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to split a five-acre portion of water right 35-14923 and change the point of diversion, place of use, nature of use, period of use, and add points of diversion. This water right will provide an additional municipal supply to accommodate ongoing growth and development within the established service area. Due to the nature of use change, only the consumptive volume is proposed to be transferred. Total volume proposed to be transferred is 14.6 acre-feet. The applicant will utilize nine existing points of diversion to supply water to the municipal service area.

Water rights 35-2276B, 35-13473, and 35-13474 were included in this transfer as associated water rights. The combined limit condition on these water rights was updated to reflect changes made both in this transfer and a previously approved one.

Authority to File:

Purchase and sale agreements for the water right included in this transfer were provided by the applicant. These documents were signed by the current owner of the water rights as supported by IDWR records. Upon approval of this transfer, the water right will be conveyed to the applicant. IDWR records show the applicant as a municipal water provider with multiple water rights covering an established service area. Thomas Puttman, president of Falls Water Company, Inc signed the application.

Water Right Validity:

Water right was decreed in the SRBA in 2002. Aerial imagery suggests regular irrigation of the place of use for at least two decades. Though sometime around 2023, a new pivot was installed leading to the corners drying up. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The current and proposed points of diversion are within the ESPA. For ESPA modeling purposes, the applicants used a weighted centroid to represent the location of the proposed points of diversion. According to the applicant's ESPA Modeling analysis, no mitigation is required, as the impacts to the individual ESPA river reaches do not exceed 2.0 af/trimester. The transfer application was advertised, and no protests were received. Watermaster does not oppose application.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed changes will not result in enlargement because the authorized diversion rate and volume will not increase as a result of the transfer. The historical consumptive use volume associated with the five acres being dried up is 14.6 acre-feet. Municipal use under the transferred right is limited to 14.6 acre-feet.

Local Public Interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use / Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Effect on Economy of the Local Area:

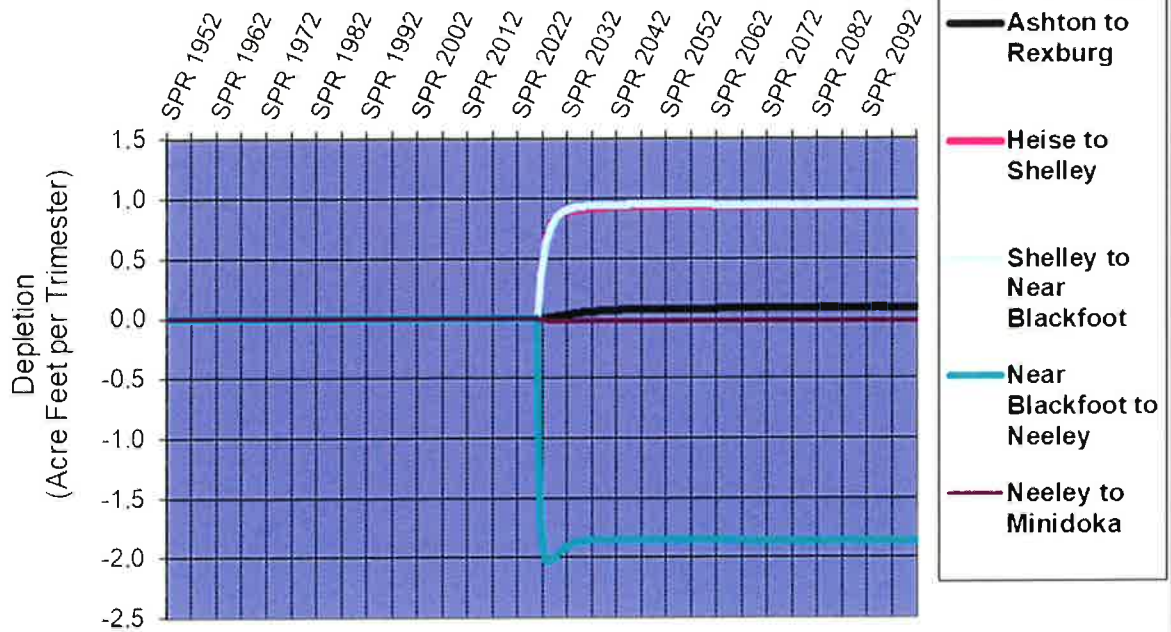
No issues identified.

Effect on Agricultural Base of the Local Area:

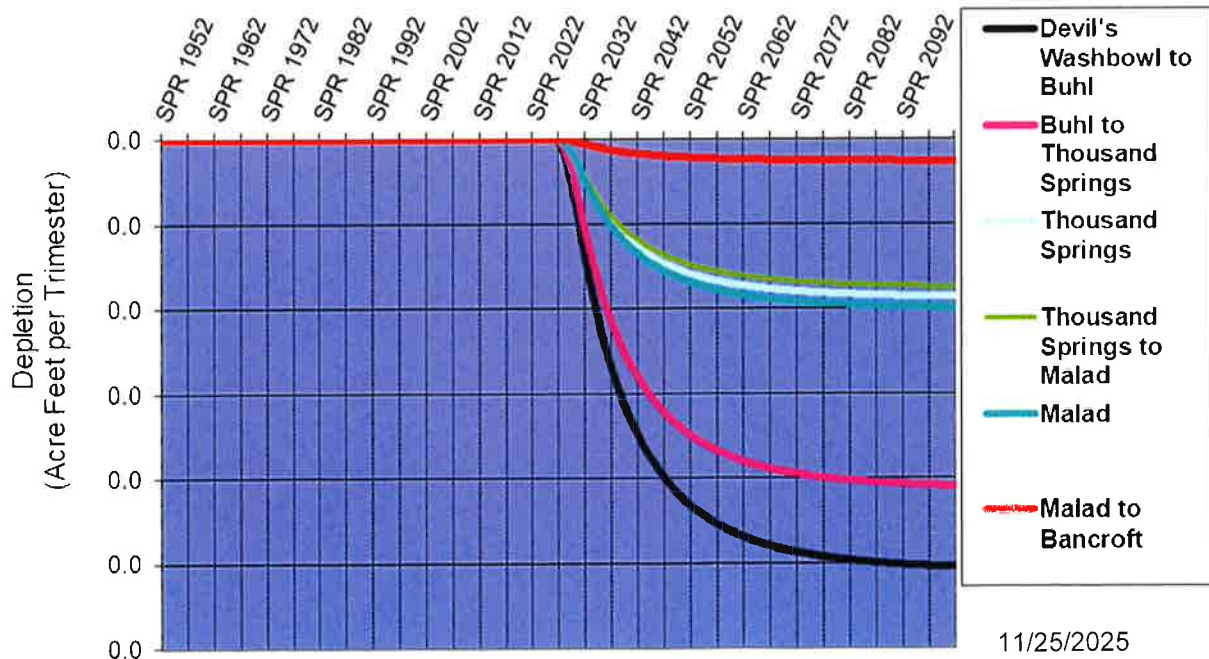
No issues identified.

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.

Net Transfer Effect Above Milner (Total Effect With Transfer - Total Effect Without Transfer)



Net Transfer Effect Below Milner (Total Effect With Transfer - Total Effect Without Transfer)



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Customer Name:

Transfer No: 0

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FALLS WATER CO. INC

Priority	POD	Dedicated Vol.	Model
Date	Location	AFA/ AFT	Node
Impacts following Transfer			
1/1960	8S26E-3	275.6 91.9	SP0832075
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Site Impacts following Transfer			
1/1960	8S26E-3	275.6 91.9	SP0832075
1/1960	8S26E-3	275.6 91.9	SP0830866

Impact by Reach (AF/Trimester)

Ashton to Rexburg	Heise to Shelley	Shelley to Nr Bickft	Nr Bickft To Neeley	Neeley to Minidoka	Dev. Wbl. To Buhl	Buhl to Kspr	Kspr	Kspr to Malad	Malad	Malad to Bancroft
0.10	0.16	0.69	3.55	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00
0.18	1.10	1.83	1.69	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00
0.10	0.16	0.69	3.55	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00
0.18	1.10	1.83	2.56	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00

Steady State Analysis

Mitigation Check 1 - > 10% of Historical:	83.6%	578.3%	106.6%	-52.3%	-52.1%	-50.3%	-50.3%	-50.3%	-50.3%	-50.2%	-50.2%
Mitigation Check 2: > 2 AF/T:	0.1	0.9	0.9	-1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mitigation Check 3 - > 10% of Total:	3.7%	22.4%	37.4%	34.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%
Mitigation Required?:	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Mitigation Vol. Req'd (ac-ft):	0.1	0.9	0.9	-1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Transient State Analysis

Mitigation Check 1 - > 10% of Historical:	83.6%	578.3%	106.7%	-28.0%	-5.6%	-1.5%	-1.5%	-1.5%	-1.5%	-1.5%	-1.8%
Mitigation Check 2: > 2.01 AF/T:	0.1	0.9	0.9	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mitigation Required?:	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Mitigation Vol. Req'd (ac-ft):	0.1	0.9	0.9	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0