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Subject: RE: Bear River Basin Adjudication Claim No. 11-4119

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Hi Justin,

To give you an update, we are still working on evidence to support the 1890 priority date. We have requested the Land Entry Case File from the National Archives. Once we receive that information we will provide evidence of priority. Given the holidays, we are not expecting to receive it by January 2. If you can provide additional time before finalizing the Department's recommendation, that would be appreciated.

Thanks,

T.J. Budge

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From: TJ Budge

Sent: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:22 AM

To: 'Edgel, Justin' <justin.edgel@idwr.idaho.gov>

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Thanks Justin. I will get to work on this.

T.J. Budge

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From: Edgel, Justin <justin.edgel@idwr.idaho.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 8:41 AM
To: TJ Budge <tj@racineolson.com>
Subject: Bear River Basin Adjudication Claim No. 11-4119

RESPONSE DEADLINE DATE: January 2nd, 2026

Dear Representative,

Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) has received your water right adjudication claim number 11-4119. After reviewing your claim, these items need to be addressed:

1. **Date of Priority:** You claimed a priority date of 4/5/1890. To confirm this priority date, please provide evidence of historical use of the rate of diversion, irrigated acres, source, point of diversion, and place of use. The statutory claim filed in 1981 by William A. Jenson also did not provide priority date evidence.

Included is "Evidence of Priority" brochure which gives examples of documents that may be evidence. If you are unable to locate any evidence, a personal affidavit may be written that mentions historically known year that water use began, rate of diversion, irrigated acres, source, point of diversion, and place of use. This can be written by anyone with knowledge of prior irrigation use.

If you would like to contact me, my telephone number is (208) 701-7203 and my email is justin.edgel@idwr.idaho.gov. If I do not hear from you or receive additional evidence by **January 2nd, 2026**, your claim may be recommended as disallowed.

Sincerely,

Justin Edgel

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Enclosure: Copy of Notice of Claim to a Water Right 11-4119
Evidence of Priority Brochure