

STATE OF IDAHO  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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WATER RESOURCES

## NOTICE OF CHANGE IN WATER RIGHT OWNERSHIP

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| Water Right/Claim No. | Split?                       | Leased to Water Supply Bank? | Water Right/Claim No. | Split?                       | Leased to Water Supply Bank? |
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| 55-2161               | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |                       | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 55-4063               | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |                       | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
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2. Previous Owner's Name: BERNETT TESTAMENTARY FAMILY BYPASS TRUST, DALE BERNETT  
Name of current water right holder/claimant
3. New Owner(s)/Claimant(s): BERNETT RANCHES INC. DALE BERNETT PRES. RETA THOMSEN  
New owner(s) as listed on the conveyance document Name connector ☐ and ☐ or
- 3540 Hwy 95 JORDAN VALLEY OR. 97750  
Mailing address City State Zip
- 541-586-2889 bernettkattle@yahoo.com  
Telephone Email

4. If the water rights and/or adjudication claims were split, how did the division occur?
- ☐ The water rights or claims were divided as specifically identified in a deed, contract, or other conveyance document.
- ☐ The water rights or claims were divided proportionately based on the portion of their place(s) of use acquired by the new owner.
5. Date you acquired the water rights and/or claims listed above: 4-6-1867, 5-22-1967
6. Do you own the land identified as the water right place of use? Yes ☒ No ☐
- o If no, attach evidence that written notice of the change of water right ownership has been delivered to the landowner of record.

7. This form must be signed and submitted with the following **REQUIRED** items:
- ☒ A copy of the conveyance document – warranty deed, quitclaim deed, court decree, contract of sale, etc. The conveyance document must include a legal description of the property or description of the water right(s) if no land is conveyed.
- ☒ Plat map, survey map or aerial photograph which clearly shows the place of use and point of diversion for each water right and/or claim listed above (if necessary to clarify division of water rights or complex property descriptions).
- ☒ Filing fee (see instructions for further explanation):
- ☒ \$25 per *undivided* water right.
- ☐ \$100 per *split* water right.
- ☐ No fee is required for pending adjudication claims.
- ☐ If water right(s) are leased to the Water Supply Bank AND there are multiple owners, a Lessor Designation form is required.
- ☐ If water right(s) are leased to the Water Supply Bank, the individual owner or designated lessor must complete, sign and submit an IRS Form W-9.

SUPPORT DATA

IN FILE # 55-2161

8. Signature: [Signature] PRES. 10-9-2025  
Signature of new owner/claimant Title, if applicable Date
- DALE BERNETT  
Print name

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of new owner/claimant Title, if applicable Date

Print name

sh12/10/2025W05284025-

Received by Sh Date 8/22/2025 Receipt No. W052701 Receipt Amt. 25-

Active in the Water Supply Bank? Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, forward to the State Office for processing W-9 received? Yes ☐ No ☐

Name on W-9 \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by Sh Processed by Sh Date 1/20/2026

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Mailing address City State Zip

541-586-2889 berretteattle@yahoo.com  
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8. Signature: [Signature] PRES. 8-13-2025  
 Signature of new owner/claimant Title, if applicable Date

DALE BERRETT  
 Print name

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of new owner/claimant Title, if applicable Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Print name

### For IDWR Office Use Only:

Received by SJA Date 8/22/2025 Receipt No. W052701 Receipt Amt. 25.00

Active in the Water Supply Bank? Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, forward to the State Office for processing W-9 received? Yes ☐ No ☐

Name on W-9 \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Processed by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**RECORDING INFORMATION:**

Prepared by:  
BUTLER & LOONEY, P.C.  
PO BOX 430 VALE OR 97918

After recording return to:

Dale L. Sharon K. Berrett  
3540 Hwy 95

Jordan Valley, OR 97910

Until a change is requested, all tax statements shall be sent to:  
same as above

**Instrument # 242304**

MURPHY, OWYHEE, IDAHO

2003-01-27

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Recorded for : AMERITITLE

CHARLOTTE SHERBURN

Ex-Officio Recorder Deputy

Index to: DEED

Fee: 6.00

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**ESTATE DEED**

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the Estate of Ruth B. Berrett, the Grantor, does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto Dale L. Berrett, as his sole and separate property, whose current address is P.O. Box 318, Jordan Valley, Oregon 97910, an undivided one-half interest in and to the following described real estate, to-wit:

That certain real property situated, lying and being in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, as set forth in Exhibit "A".

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises, with their appurtenances unto the said Grantee, and the Grantee's heirs and assigns forever. And the Grantor does hereby covenant to and with the said Grantee that the Grantor is an owner of an undivided one-half interest in and to said premises; that said interest is free from all encumbrances excepting those existing of record and that the Grantor will warrant and defend the same from all lawful claims whatsoever.

DATED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2003.

ESTATE OF RUTH B. BERRETT

By: *Dale L. Berrett*

Dale L. Berrett

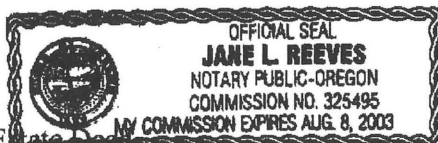
Personal Representative

STATE OF OREGON )

:SS

County of Malheur )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2003, by Dale L. Berrett.



*Jane L. Reeves*  
Notary Public for Oregon

My commission expires: 8-8-03

EXHIBIT "A"

Lands located in Owyhee County, Idaho as follows:

In Twp. 7 S., R. 5 W., B.M.:

In Sec. 5: SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
In Sec. 8: E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
In Sec. 9: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$  W $\frac{1}{2}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
In Sec. 16: W $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
In Sec. 17: E $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
In Sec. 18: E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
In Sec. 19: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
In Sec. 20: E $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
In Sec. 29: W $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
In Sec. 30: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
In Sec. 33: NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

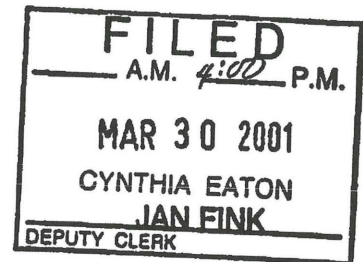
In Twp. 8 S., R. 5 W., B.M.:

In Sec. 13: S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
In Sec. 23: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
In Sec. 24: N $\frac{1}{2}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Together with all water and water rights (including IDWR licenses numbers 55-04063 and 55-02161), ditches and ditch rights, tenements and hereditaments, appurtenances and fixtures, easements, rights, privileges, permits and licenses thereunto belonging, in anywise appertaining or used in connection therewith, and the reversions, remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof.

Also together with STATE LAND LEASES Nos. G-6068 and G-6070, which leases accompany and are used in connection with the above described lands (grazing 2,107.24 acres containing 249.00 AUMs) and (grazing 70 acres containing 6.00 AUMs); and BLM ALLOTMENTS, being Boulder Flat No. 00509 containing 225 AUMs and Berrett FFR 00609 containing 112 AUMs for a total of 337 AUMs, for which allotments the above described lands are the base lands.

R. David Butler II  
BUTLER & LOONEY P.C.  
PO BOX 430 VALE OR 97918  
541-473-3111  
FAX 541-473-3731  
ISB NO. 4089



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WATER RESOURCES  
WESTERN REGION

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF  
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

RUTH B. BERRETT,  
DECEASED.

CASE NO. SP-01-014801

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY  
DOMICILIARY FOREIGN  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

DALE L. BERRETT is hereby appointed personal representative of the Estate of RUTH B. BERRETT, deceased, with all authority pertaining thereto. Administration of the estate is unsupervised.

These Letters are issued to evidence the appointment qualification, and authority of the personal representative.

WITNESS: THOMAS J. RYAN, Magistrate of the District Court, County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, with the seal of the Court affixed this 30th day of March, 2001.

THOMAS J. RYAN  
MAGISTRATE

STATE OF IDAHO } ss.  
County of Owyhee

I hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of the original on file in this office.

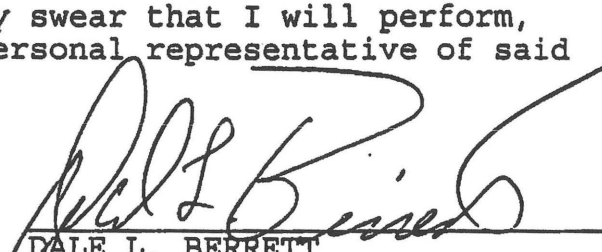
Date MARCH 30 2001  
Cynthia Eaton, Clerk of the District Court  
Jan Fink  
Deputy Clerk

DATED: March 13, 2001

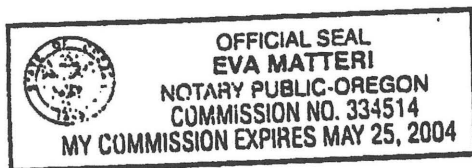
  
Attorney for Personal  
Representative

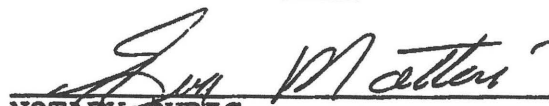
STATE OF Oregon )  
COUNTY OF Malheur ) : ss

The undersigned, hereby accepts the appointment to the office of personal representative of the Estate of RUTH B. BERRETT, deceased, and do solemnly swear that I will perform, according to law, the duties of personal representative of said estate.

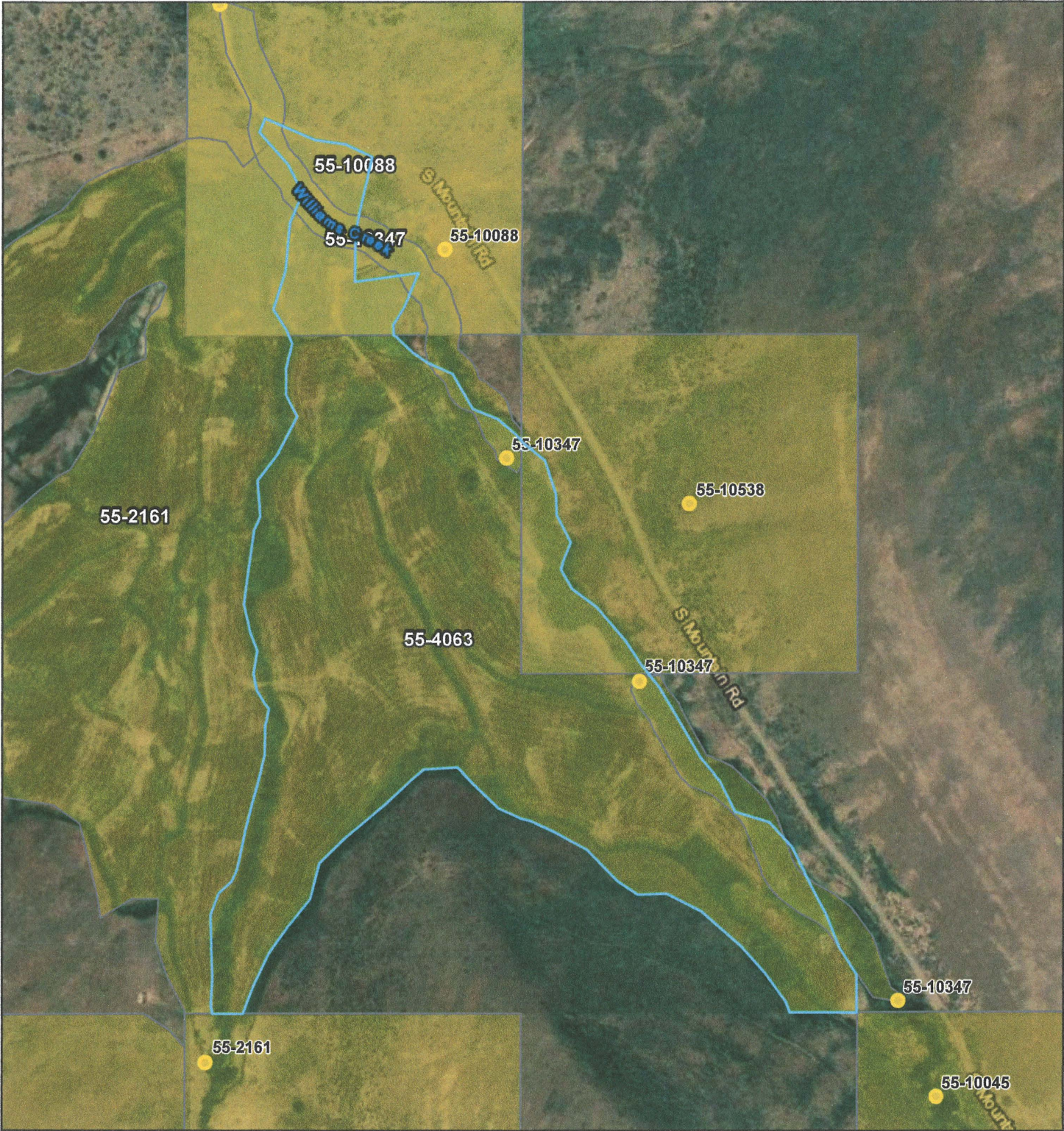
  
DALE L. BERRETT  
PO BOX 318  
JORDAN VALLEY, OR 97910  
541-586-2889

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 26 day of March, 2001.



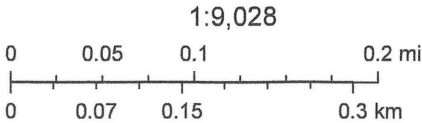
  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Residing at: Arock Or 97902  
My Commission Expires: 5-25-2004

# Water Rights



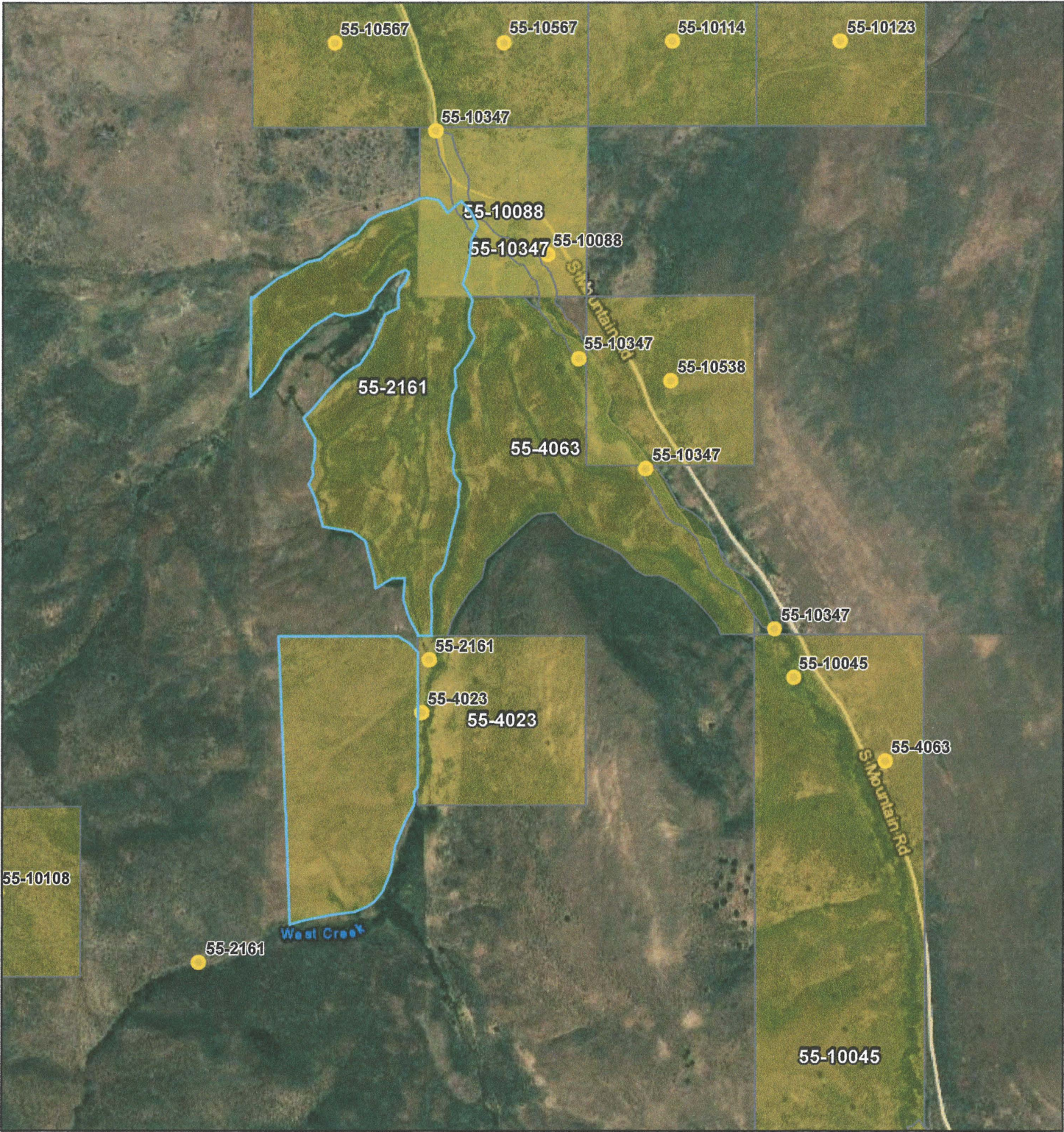
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- All Other POU (non-provider)



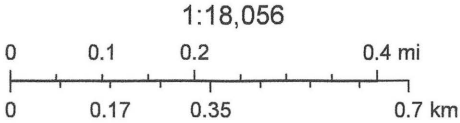
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**Governor Brad Little**

**Director Mathew Weaver**

February 13, 2026

DALE L BARRETT  
3540 HIGHWAY 95 W  
JORDAN VALLEY OR 97910-9714

Re: Change in Ownership for Water Right Nos: 55-2161 and 55-4063

Dear Water Right Holder:

The Department of Water Resources (Department) acknowledges the receipt of correspondence changing Ruth B. Berrett's portion of ownership of the above water rights from Ruth to Dale L. Berrett. The Department has modified its records and has enclosed computer-generated reports.

Updating the ownership record for a water right does not reconfirm the validity of the right. When processing a Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership, the Department does not review the history of water use to determine if the right has been forfeited or deliberately abandoned through five years or more of non-use. To read more about water right forfeiture, including how to protect a water right from forfeiture, please see Idaho Code §§ 42-222 and 42-223.

Please note, water right owners are required to report any change of water right ownership and any change of mailing address to the Department within 120 days of the change. Reporting forms are available from any office of the Department, or from the Department's website.

During the ownership change process, we discovered other water rights in Ruth Berrett's name that are within the lands described in the Estate Deed you submitted. If you would like to claim ownership of these water rights, please submit a Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership with the water rights listed, the fee, and the Estate Deed and Letters Testamentary enclosed.

If you have any questions concerning the enclosed, please contact me at 208-605-4631.

Sincerely,

*Susan E Hobson*

Susy Hobson  
Technical Records Specialist

cc: Owen Orson Berrett, Reta May Hansen, Trustees of The Testamentary Family Bypass Trust

Enclosures



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Governor Brad Little

Director Mathew Weaver

November 28, 2025

DALE L BARRETT  
3540 HIGHWAY 95 W  
JORDAN VALLEY OR 97910-9714

RE: Change in Ownership, Water Right Nos: 55-2161 & 55-4063

Dear Interested Party:

Thank you for resubmitting the Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership (Notice) on the current form. During the initial review of your Notice I inadvertently missed a few other items that need to be remedied before the Department can process the change.

- Filing Fee of \$25 **per** water right. We received \$25, and we need an additional \$25 for the second water right.
- Documentation demonstrating your appointment as Personal Representative of Ruth's Estate.

Effective July 1, 2000, the legislature enacted House Bill No. 545 requiring a filing fee for a change in water right ownership. The fee is \$25 per water right. All ownership change notices received after June 30, 2000 must include the appropriate filing fees in order to be processed.

Because the Department cannot process the Notice without proper documentation and fees, we will hold any action on your notice pending receipt of the necessary information and fee. If we do not receive the necessary information and fee within 30 days we will return your notice and all attachments and your notice will not be processed.

I apologize for the oversight and delay in processing your Notice.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 208-605-4631.

Sincerely,

Susy Hobson  
Technical Records Specialist

Enclosure

Hobson, Susy

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**From:** Dale Berrett <berrettcattle@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 9, 2025 12:29 PM  
**To:** IDWR File  
**Subject:** NOTICE OF CHANGE IN WATER RIGHT OWNERSHIP  
**Attachments:** Image\_20251009\_0003.pdf

**CAUTION:** This email originated outside the State of Idaho network. Verify links and attachments BEFORE you click or open, even if you recognize and/or trust the sender. Contact your agency service desk with any concerns.

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Hobson, Susy

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**From:** Hobson, Susy  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 9, 2025 11:44 AM  
**To:** 'berrettcattle@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** Notice of Change in Ownership  
**Attachments:** Notice of Change in WR Ownership Berrett.pdf; Notice-of-change-of-water-right-ownership 1 pg.pdf

Dale,

Thanks again for your call back. Please complete and resubmit the Notice-of-change-of-water-right-ownership.

If you want to return it by email, you **must** send it in **PDF** format to [FILE@IDWR.IDAHO.GOV](mailto:FILE@IDWR.IDAHO.GOV)

You may mail it to the Western Office at:

IDWR  
2735 W AIRPORT WAY  
BOISE, ID 83705-5082

Thanks again,

Susy

Susy Hobson  
Technical Records Specialist



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