

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 4, 2026
To: Transfer # 90204
From: McKenna Webster
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes adding a new point of diversion and describing the current point of diversion to the 40-acre tract instead of the 10-acre tract.

Authority to File:

According to IDWR records, the applicant is the current owner of the water rights included in the transfer. Additionally, Bannock county parcel data shows that the applicant is the owner of the proposed point of diversion location. The applicant provided an annual report showing that Randy Wheatley is an authorized signer.

Water Right Validity:

Water right 29-8020 was licensed in 2005. Aerial imagery and google earth suggest irrigation of the place of use for over a decade. Additionally, the watermaster report for water district 129 shows that water was diverted at the point of diversion in 2025.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The proposed point of diversion is relatively close to the current point of diversion—about 1,000 feet. Because of this, the impact of the proposed point of diversion would be low. The transfer application was advertised, and no protests were received. Watermaster comment was requested, but no comment was given.

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.