

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
IN-OFFICE REVIEW/BENEFICIAL USE FIELD REPORT

A. GENERAL INFORMATIONExam Date: 5/14/2026

1. Does this qualify for an in-office field exam (IDAPA 37.03.02.035.01.q)? X Y N
- a. Irrigation of 5 acres or less
- b. Storage of up to 14.6 AF for stockwater purposes only
- c. X Any use other than irrigation or storage, if the combined diversion rate is 0.24 cfs or less
- d. Other < >

Comment: N/A

2. Current Owner: Robert Smotherman

Owner of Record Correct? X Y NAddress of Record Correct? X Y NIf No Explain: N/A

3. Beneficial Use Fees have been paid:
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- Y
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- N Receipt No: N046007

4. Source: Hayden Lake
- Tributary:
- Sinks:

Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, and the Permit Holders Statement of Completion for Proof of Beneficial Use (Proof Statement).

Change in Source: Y X N**B. OVERLAP REVIEW**

1. Other water rights with the same place of use: Overlap ?
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- Yes
- X
- No

Water Right No.	Source	Purpose of Use	Basis
N/A			

Comments: There are no other Water Rights (WR) overlapping the permitted place of use (POU).

2. Other water rights with the same point of diversion: Overlap ?
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- Yes
- X
- No

Water Right No.	Source	Purpose of Use	Basis
N/A			

Comments: There are no other WR's overlapping the permitted point of diversion (POD).**C. DIVERSION AND DELIVERY SYSTEM**

1. Location of Point(s) of Diversion:

Source	Govt. Lot	¼	¼	Sec.	Twp.	Rge.		County
Hayden Lake		NE	NW	14	51N	03W	B.M.	Kootenai

Method of Determination: GIS and Idaho Tax Parcel Data.Change in POD? Y X N Amendment Required? Y X N

2. Place of Use: Domestic (External)

TWP	RGE	Sec	NE				NW				SW				SE				Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
51N	03W						D												D
		Lot #					1												

Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, 2025 Kootenai County Aerial Imagery, 2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery, and statements made by the permit holder via phone call on May 13th, 2026.

Change in POU? Y X N Amendment Required? Y X N

3. Diversion System Information

Description: N/A Delivery System Diagram Attached. (mark all major components and distances between components) X Aerial Photo indicating the location of the recommended POD and POU. X Aerial Photo Attached (required) Photo of Diversion and System Attached

3. Diversion Id No.*	Motor Make	HP	Motor Serial No.	Pump Make	Pump Serial No. or Discharge Size
N/A					

*Code to correspond with No. on map and aerial photo

D. FLOW MEASUREMENTS

1. Measurement Equipment	Type	Make	Model No.	Serial No.	Size	Calib. Date
N/A						

2. Measurement Comments: No measurement is required for permits qualifying for an in-office examination according to the IDAPA Beneficial Use Examination Rules.

E. FLOW CALCULATIONS

 Additional Computation Sheets AttachedMeasured Method: According to Administrative Application Processing Memo #22 the standard diversion rate for a single domestic use is 0.04 cfs. I am recommending a 0.04 cfs diversion rate.

Administrative Application Processing Memo #22 Standard = 0.04 cfs

Permit allowed = 0.04 cfs

Total Recommendation = 0.04 cfsComments: N/A

F. VOLUME CALCULATIONS

1. Volume Calculations for Irrigation:

$$V_{I.R.} = (\text{Acres Irrigated}) \times (\text{Irrigation Requirement}) = \underline{(N/A)}$$

$$V_{D.R.} = [\text{Diversion Rate (cfs)}] \times (\text{Days in Irrigation season}) \times 1.9835 = \underline{(N/A)}$$

$$V = \text{Smaller of } V_{I.R.} \text{ and } V_{D.R.} = \underline{(N/A)}$$

2. Volume Calculations for Other Uses: According to the permit holder and 2025 Kootenai County and 2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery only external domestic use was developed. According to Administrative Application Processing Memo #22 the standard diversion volume for a single external domestic use is 0.6 af. I am recommending a diversion volume of 0.6 af.Comments: N/A

G. PURPOSE OF USE

Irrigation Y X N # Stock N/A Domestic # of Homes 1 (External)Change in Purpose of Use? Y X NMethod of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, 2025 Kootenai County/2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery, statements by the permit holder during a phone conversation on May 13th, 2026, and the permit holders Proof Statement.

H. NARRATIVE/REMARKS/COMMENTS

This permit qualifies for an in-office licensing examination. The permit authorized internal and external domestic use for one home diverting from Hayden Lake. After reviewing the permit holders Proof Statement, they indicated they did not develop internal domestic use for a home but did have an RV on the property. After a phone conversation with the permit holder on May 13th, 2026, they confirmed no home had been developed. They also indicated they did not intend to develop internal domestic use for a future home and were irrigating up to ½ an acre. The permit holder also confirmed the RV on the property was not tied into the lake system but instead connected to a well on the property. 2025 Kootenai County and 2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery confirmed external domestic use was developed within the permit development period. Therefore, I recommend domestic use be reduced to external use only to match actual developed beneficial use.

A condition on the permit requires the permit holder to install a fish screen meeting the fish screening and passage requirements of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. The permit holder indicated a fish screen was installed on the pump intake on their Proof Statement. The standards set in Administrative Application Processing Memo #22 was utilized to make a diversion rate and volume recommendation. All conditions of permit approval have been met, and development of beneficial use was confirmed within authorization on the permit. Therefore, I am recommending a 0.04 cfs diversion rate and 0.6 af diversion volume.

Conditions 187 and 004 should remain on the license. Condition X01 should be changed to 240 because internal domestic use was not developed using lake water. Condition 029 should be removed because the permit holder confirmed a fish screen was installed meeting the fish screening a passage requirements of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. Condition R05 should be removed because Water District 95A is no longer active.

Have conditions of permit approval been met? ☒ Yes ☐ No

I. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Recommended Amounts:

<u>BENEFICIAL USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>DIVERSION RATE</u>	<u>ANNUAL VOLUME</u>
Domestic	01/01-12/31	0.04 CFS	0.6 AF
Totals:		0.04 CFS	0.6 AF

2. Recommended Amendments:

☐ Change P.D. as reflected above ☐ Add P.D. as reflected above ☒ None

☐ Change P.U. as reflected above ☐ Add P.U. as reflected above ☒ None

J. AUTHENTICATION

Field Examiner: Skyler Cheever – Water Resource Agent, Sr – State Office

Field Examiner's  Date 5/14/2026

Reviewer  Date 5/26/2026

Field Exam Map

Map showing the authorized point of diversion (yellow point) and place of use (orange outline).



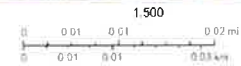
2025 Kootenai County Aerial Imagery

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| Roads Labels | Railroads | STATE HIGHWAY |
| Address Labels/Sub Units | Roads 5000 | U.S. HIGHWAY |
| Access Line | INTERSTATE | kootenacounty SDE KC_Legal_Areas |
| Structure Point | LOCAL ROAD | Parcel Polygon |
| | SEASONAL ROAD | |



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