

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

A. GENERAL INFORMATIONExam Date: 5/18/2026

1. Does this qualify for an in-office field exam (IDAPA 37.03.02.035.01.q)? X Y N
- a. X Irrigation of 5 acres or less
- b. Storage of up to 14.6 AF for stockwater purposes only
- c. 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: Travis O'Briant

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

3. Beneficial Use Fees have been paid:
- X
- Y
- N
- Receipt No: C126073

4. Source: Spokane River Tributary: Columbia River

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
Spokane River		NW	NW	11	50N	05W	B.M.	Kootenai

Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, 2025 Kootenai County, and 2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery.Change in POD? Y X N Amendment Required? Y X N

2. Place of Use:

TWP	RGE	Sec	NE				NW				SW				SE				Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
50N	05W	11						0.3											0.3
		Lot #						4											
Total Acres =																			0.3

Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, 2025 Kootenai County, and 2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery.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 #17 the standard diversion rate for the irrigation of 5 acres or less is 0.03 cfs/acre. I am recommending a 0.01 cfs diversion rate.

(0.3 confirmed acres of irrigation) * (0.03 cfs/acre) = 0.009 or 0.01 cfs rounded

Administrative Application Processing Memo #17 Calculation = 0.01 cfs

Permit allowed = 0.03 cfs

Total Recommendation = 0.01 cfsComments: N/A

F. VOLUME CALCULATIONS

1. Volume Calculations for Irrigation:

V = (Acres Irrigated) x (Irrigation Requirement) = (See Comment)
I.R.V = [Diversion Rate (cfs)] x (Days in Irrigation season) x 1.9835 = (See Comment)
D.R.V = Smaller of V and V = (See Comment)
I.R. D.R.2. Volume Calculations for Other Uses: N/AComments: The permit authorized irrigation diverting from a natural flowing river (Spokane River). If a permit authorizes diversion from a natural flowing stream/river or spring a recorded diversion volume is not required at licensing according to the IDAPA Beneficial Use Examination Rules 37.03.02.0.5.01h.i.viii.

G. PURPOSE OF USE

Irrigation X Y N # Stock N/A Domestic # of Homes N/AChange in Purpose of Use? Y X NMethod of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, 2025 Kootenai County and 2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery, and the permit holders Proof Statement.

H. NARRATIVE/REMARKS/COMMENTS

This permit qualifies for an in-office licensing examination. The permit authorized the irrigation of 0.6 acres diverting from the Spokane River. 2025 Kootenai County and 2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery confirmed 0.3 acres of irrigation was developed within the development period. The current PLSS Quarter/Quarter lines indicate only 0.1 acres of the confirmed irrigation is within Gov lot 4 NWNW with the remaining 0.2 acres within the NWNW (no Gov lot). However, original BLM plat maps indicate all land, excluding the Spokane River, is included with the Gov lot. The Idaho Tax Parcel Boundary and visual property boundary were inconsistent. The confirmed irrigated POU was determined using the visual property boundary.

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 confirmed on their Proof Statement a fish screen was installed on their diversion intake. The standards set in Administrative Application Processing Memo #17 were utilized to make a diversion rate recommendation. Since the permit authorized diversion from a natural flowing river a recorded diversion volume is not required at licensing according to the IDAPA Beneficial Use Examination Rules 37.03.02.035.01h.ii.viii. 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 0.01 cfs diversion rate.

Conditions X60 and 004 should remain on the license. Conditions X31 should be updated to match the licensing recommendation. Condition 029 should be removed because the permit holder confirmed they installed a fish screen meeting the fish screening and passage requirements of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

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>
Irrigation	03/15-11/15	0.01 CFS
	Totals:	0.01 CFS

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 5/18/2026

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

95-18691 2025 Kootenai County Aerial Imagery



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Roads Labels	→ Railroads	SEASONAL ROAD
Address Labels/Sub Units	Roads 5000	STATE HIGHWAY
Access Line	INTERSTATE	U S HIGHWAY
Structure Point	LOCAL ROAD	

1:500

0 0.01 0.01 0.02 mi

0 0.01 0.01 0.03 km

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