

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

A. GENERAL INFORMATIONExam Date: 5/29/2026

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

2. Current Owner: Joint Fairview Cemetery Maintenance District

Owner of Record Correct? X Y NAddress of Record Correct? X Y N

If No Explain:

3. Beneficial Use Fees have been paid: X Y N Receipt No: C123181

4. Source: Tributary:
Groundwater N/A

Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, and the Permit Holders Statement of Completion for Proof of Beneficial Use.Change in Source: Y X N**B. OVERLAP REVIEW**1. Other water rights with the same place of use: Overlap ? X Yes No

Water Right No.	Source	Purpose of Use	Basis
Multiple	Boise River	Irrigation	Decree

Comments: There are multiple water rights (WR) owned by the Nampa Meridian Irrigation District overlapping the permitted place of use (POU). A condition on the permit requires the permit holder to utilize an available surface water delivery before ground water. The permit holder confirmed they do have NMID shares but provided information indicating they cannot utilize surface water (See narrative for more detail). There are no other overlap concerns.

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

Water Right No.	Source	Purpose of Use	Basis
63-31675	Groundwater	Irrigation	Decree

Comments: WR 63-31675 overlaps the permitted point of diversion (POD) and is owned by the permit holder according to Department records. However, since the existing WR authorizes irrigation of separate acres there is no reason to limit this permit when combined with the existing WR.

C. DIVERSION AND DELIVERY SYSTEM

1. Location of Point(s) of Diversion:

Source	Govt. Lot	¼	¼	¼	Sec.	Twp.	Rge.		County
Groundwater			SW	SW	29	04N	01W	B.M.	Ada

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

2. Place of Use: Irrigation

TWP	RGE	Sec	NE				NW				SW				SE				Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
04N	01W	29											0.7						0.7
		Lot #																	
Total Acres =																			0.7

Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, August 2025 Google Earth Aerial Imagery, 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 0.02 cfs diversion rate. $(0.7 \text{ acres of confirmed irrigation}) * (0.03 \text{ cfs/acre}) = 0.021 \text{ or } 0.02 \text{ cfs rounded}$

Administrative Application Processing Memo #17 Calculation = 0.02 cfs

Permit allowed = 0.03 cfs

Total Recommendation = 0.02 cfsComments: N/A

F. VOLUME CALCULATIONS

1. Volume Calculations for Irrigation:

 $V_{I.R.} = (\text{Acres Irrigated}) \times (\text{Irrigation Requirement}) = (0.7 \text{ acres}) * (4.5 \text{ af/acre}) = 3.15 \text{ or } 3.2 \text{ af rounded}$ $V_{D.R.} = [\text{Diversion Rate (cfs)}] \times (\text{Days in Irrigation season}) \times 1.9835 = (0.02 \text{ cfs}) * (260 \text{ days}) * (1.9835 \text{ af/day}) = 10.3 \text{ af}$ $V = \text{Smaller of } V_{I.R.} \text{ and } V_{D.R.} = 3.2 \text{ af}$ 2. Volume Calculations for Other Uses: N/AComments: N/A

G. PURPOSE OF USE

Irrigation X Y N # Stock N/A Domestic # of Homes N/A Change in Purpose of Use? Y X N Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, August 2025 Google Earth Aerial Imagery, 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 supplemental irrigation of 1 acre diverting from groundwater. A condition on the permit requires the applicant to utilize all available surface water delivery before utilizing groundwater. According to an email conversation with the permit holder from September 28th, 2025, they have shares with Nampa Meridian Irrigation District (NMID). However, they indicated there is no ditch that delivers water to the POU and an elevation change of 3.5 ft does not allow for surface water delivery to the POU. The permit holder indicated they are in the process of relinquishing their shares back to NMID. However, Aerial Imagery indicates a ditch in close proximity to the POU near could be utilized. If a site visit, information from the permit holder, and Aerial Imagery confirmed no feasible delivery of surface water could occur then it could be possible to authorize primary groundwater use. However, past information provided by the permit holder, and Aerial Imagery indicate it could be feasible to deliver water to the POU. Therefore, a notice of intent to void letter was sent to the permit holder on April 10th, 2026, requesting they provide additional information regarding surface water use.

The permit holder provided a response on May 12th, 2026. They indicated they could not utilize the nearby ditch indicated by aerial imagery due to an inability to obtain an easement agreement granting legal access, the inability to obtain public rights of way or conveyance due to regulator restrictions, and infeasibility of piping surface water a 0.5 mile to the main canal. It seems reasonable to allow primary surface water irrigation given the provided circumstances. However, condition 943 should remain on the license requiring the permit holder to utilize surface water if circumstances change in the future allowing for the delivery of surface water. August 2025 Google Earth and 2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery, descriptions and photographs provided by the permit holder on September 28th, 2025, indicate 0.7 acres of irrigation was developed within the development period. The standards set in Administrative Application Processing Memo #17 was utilized to make diversion rate 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 0.02 cfs diversion rate and 3.2 af diversion volume.

Conditions 943, WB7, R61, 165, and 930 should remain on the license. Condition 121 should be changed to 103 as is standard with licensing. Condition 046 should be removed because the permit holder had a well drilled meeting the drilling permit requirements of Idaho Code §42-235 and applicable Well Construction Rules of the Department.

Have conditions of permit approval been met? Yes **X** No

I. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Recommended Amounts:

<u>BENEFICIAL USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>DIVERSION RATE</u>	<u>ANNUAL VOLUME</u>
Irrigation	03/01-11/15	0.02 CFS	3.2 AF
	Totals:	0.02 CFS	3.2 AF

2. Recommended Amendments:

 Change P.D. as reflected above Add P.D. as reflected above **X** None

 Change P.U. as reflected above Add P.U. as reflected above **X** None

J. AUTHENTICATION

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

Field Examiner's  Date 5/20/2026

Reviewer  Date 6/26/2026

August 2025 Google Earth Aerial Imagery

