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STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT

GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Pursuant to Section 42-222(1), *Idaho Code*, a transfer application may be filed to change the point of diversion, place of use, period of use, or nature of use of all or part of an established water right. Any person proposing to make such a change is required to file a transfer application with the Department. "Such application shall be upon forms furnished by the department and shall describe the [water right] to be changed and the changes which are proposed and shall be accompanied by the statutory filing fee." *Idaho Code* § 42-222(1).

The Department has developed this application form to assist applicants in satisfying the requirements of Section 42-222(1). This application form requests information about the applicant's authority to file (Part 1), information about the current elements of the water right(s) to be changed (Part 2), information about the proposed changes (Part 3), information about the validity of the water right(s) and the effects of the proposed changes (Part 4), and confirmation that the information provided is truthful (Part 5).

The applicant or their representative must provide a response for all applicable questions, any additional information required, and the proper filing fee before this application will be considered complete. If an application is incomplete or more information is required, the Department will notify the applicant or representative and allow time for the application to be completed. An application that remains incomplete will be returned to the applicant and the filing fee will be refunded.

An application for transfer is limited to the changes proposed for a single water distribution system. A proposal to change two or more separate water distribution systems, that will remain separate after the transfer, must be filed as separate applications. Applicants may provide additional pages to supplement their responses to the questions posed on this application form. Supplemental forms for listing additional water rights, points of diversion, or places of use can be found on the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). If you need assistance understanding the questions on this form, generating current water right reports, determining legal descriptions, or accessing water measurement records feel free to contact the nearest regional office of the Department.

PART 1 – CONTACT INFORMATION, OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AUTHORITY TO FILE

Name(s) of Applicant(s) Eld Ranch Investments LLC (dba Eld Ranches)

Mailing Address 2554 E. Roseberry Rd, McCall, ID 83638

Email* eldranchescattle@gmail.com Phone 208-315-7060

Name of Representative (if any) Mark Young

Mailing Address 1479 Mace Road, Eagle, ID 83616

Email* mark@k2excavation.org Phone 858.232.4586

*If an email address is provided, Department staff will use email as the primary method for corresponding with the applicant and representative about the application.

A. Representative. If the representative is authorized to sign or amend the application on behalf of the applicant, attach documents confirming that authority. Label documents as Attachment 1A.

B. Current Owner. If the applicant is not the current owner of record for all water rights included in this application, attach documents showing that the applicant has the authority to make the proposed changes. Label documents as Attachment 1B.

C. Updating Ownership Records. Applicants needing to update the ownership records for any of the water rights included in this application must attach documents supporting the ownership change. Such documents must trace ownership of the subject water rights or the current place of use for the subject water rights from the current owner of record for the water rights to the applicant. Label documents as Attachment 1C.

D. Business Entities. If the applicant is a business entity (corporation, LLC, partnership, trust, etc.), is the entity currently registered with the Idaho Secretary of State?

☒ Yes. If this application is signed by someone other than a person listed on the most recent annual report filed with the Idaho Secretary of State, attach documents confirming the authority of the signer to sign on behalf of the business entity. Label documents as Attachment 1D.

☐ No. Attach documents confirming the authority of the signer to sign on behalf of the business entity. Label documents as Attachment 1D.

E. Approval of Irrigation Delivery Entity. Section 42-108, *Idaho Code*, states that a transfer application proposing to change water rights held by an irrigation company or district requires the consent of the irrigation entity. If this application proposes to change water rights held by an irrigation entity, attach a letter of consent from the entity (labeled as Attachment 1E) or have an authorized representative of the entity co-sign the application.

F. Encumbered Properties. If the current place of use for the water rights included in this application is subject to a lien, deed of trust, mortgage, or contract and the application proposes to change the nature of use of the water rights or to move water rights off the current place of use, attach a statement of consent for the change signed by the lien holder, trustee, mortgagor or contract holder. Label documents as Attachment 1F.

G. Legal Access. If the applicant is not the current owner of the proposed point(s) of diversion, conveyance system, or place(s) of use, provide evidence of legal access to the land or infrastructure not owned by the applicant. Label documents as Attachment 1G. For example, an applicant may provide a letter of consent from the owner of the land or conveyance system or may have the owner co-sign the application. For applications proposing to divert water on or convey water across federal land, an applicant is not required to demonstrate legal access to the federal land prior to approval. Instead, if the transfer application is approved, the applicant must obtain access authorization from the relevant federal agency prior to diverting water under the subject water rights.

PART 2 – WATER RIGHTS BEFORE PROPOSED CHANGES

A. Current Water Rights. For each water right proposed to be changed, attach a current water right report obtained from any Department office or from the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). Label water right reports as Attachment 2A.

B. Map of Current System. Attach a map of the current point(s) of diversion and place(s) of use for the water rights to be changed. The map should clearly depict the elements of the water rights to be changed. For example, if the application proposes to change the point of diversion for a water right, the map should display the current location of the point of diversion. For irrigation water rights, the map should also identify the location of the irrigated acres to be changed. Label map as Attachment 2B.

C. Current Location of Irrigated Acres. If this application proposes to change the place of use or nature of use for only a portion of an irrigation water right, use the following table to identify the current location of the irrigated acres to be changed. If additional pages are required, label additional pages as Attachment 2C. If this application proposes to change or rearrange the entire place of use for irrigation water right(s), skip to Part 3.

☒ **N/A.** This application does not propose to change the place of use or nature or use of an irrigation water right or this application proposes to change the place of use or nature of use for an entire irrigation right.

Current Location of Irrigated Acres to be Changed

Twp	Rge	Sec	NE ¼				NW ¼				SW ¼				SE ¼				Acre Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	

Total Irrigated Acres to be Changed: _____

PART 3 – DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

A. Purpose of Transfer. Section 42-222(1), *Idaho Code*, states that transfer applications may only be filed to change the point of diversion, place of use, period of use, or nature of use of an established water right. Section 42-248(3), *Idaho Code*, authorizes water right ownership changes to be described on a transfer application. Identify the changes proposed in this application:

- | | |
|---|---|
| ☐ Change point(s) of diversion | ☒ Change place of use |
| ☐ Add point(s) of diversion | ☐ Change period of use |
| ☐ Change nature of use | ☐ Update water right ownership records |

B. Proposed Changes. Describe the proposed changes in narrative form:

Due to the forthcoming sale of the place of use in Section 19, we are transferring all water appurtenant to Section 19, to Sections 20 and 29. We are also reappportioning the acres in the decreed place of use and adding the NWNE Sec 29.

C. Summary of Proposed Changes.

1. Water Rights. Use the following table to list all water rights, or portions thereof, that are proposed to be changed as they would appear after the proposed changes. In the Amount column, list the volume in acre-feet (af) for storage uses or the rate in cubic feet per second (cfs) for all other uses.

All or Part	Right Number	Amount (cfs/af)	Nature of Use	Period of Use	Source
☒ ☐	65-7200	3.2 / 600	Irrigation	4/15 to 10/15	LAFFINWELL CREEK
☒ ☐		- / 60 AF	Irrigation Storage	4/15 to 10/15	LAFFINWELL CREEK
☒ ☐		- / 60 AF	Irrigation from storage	4/15 to 10/15	LAFFINWELL CREEK
☒ ☐	65-07516	- / 36 AF	Irrigation Storage	1/01 to 12/31	LAFFINWELL CREEK
☒ ☐		- / 36 AF	Irrigation from storage	4/15 to 10/15	LAFFINWELL CREEK
☒ ☐	65-12120	- / 34 AF	Irrigation Storage	10/15 to 4/15	LAFFINWELL CREEK
☒ ☐		- / 34 AF	Irrigation from storage	4/15 to 10/15	LAFFINWELL CREEK
☐ ☐				to	
☐ ☐				to	
☐ ☐				to	

2. Total Amounts. Calculate the total quantity, in cfs or af, of water rights that are proposed to be changed through this application. For an application proposing to only change the place of use for irrigation rights, the total quantity of water is calculated by comparing the current place of use to the proposed place of use, summing the number of acres increased in each legal subdivision, and quantifying the proportional amount of diversion rate for the increased acres. For an application proposing to change or add points of diversion for irrigation or any other beneficial use, the total amount is the total diversion rate for the changed portion of the right.

Total Amount of Water Rights Proposed to be Changed: .80 cfs and/or 32.5 af.

3. Point(s) of Diversion. Use the following table to list all the proposed points of diversion for the water rights to be changed, including any current points of diversion that will continue to be used as part of the proposed water distribution system.

The legal description for the proposed point(s) of diversion must be to the nearest 40-acre subdivision (QQ) or U.S. Government Lot of the Public Land Survey System (PLSS). PLSS information is typically available from USGS topo maps, property deeds, tax bills or various mapping tools on the Department's website.

For points of diversion within platted subdivisions, list the lot and block number in the "Diversion Name/Number" column. An application proposing an injection into a stream and a re-diversion from that stream must list the source for the original diversion as the source for the injection and re-diversion points. If this application proposes construction of a new diversion structure (for example, a new ground water well or a new pump station on a creek), please indicate the status in the appropriate column.

☒ **N/A. This application does not propose to add or change any points of diversion.**

Proposed Points of Diversion

New?	Twp	Rge	Sec	Lot	1/4	1/4	1/4	County	Source	Diversion Name/Number

4. Place of Use. The proposed place of use must be described to the nearest 40-acre subdivision (QQ) or U.S. Government Lot of the Public Land Survey System. Government lot numbers can be noted in parenthesis below the approximate quarter-quarter location of the government lot. For water rights held by irrigation districts, municipal providers or irrigation companies, the proposed place of use may be generally described as authorized by Sections 42-202B, 42-219 and 42-222B, *Idaho Code*.

☐ **N/A. This application does not propose to change the place of use.**

Proposed Place of Use

Twp	Rge	Sec	NE ¼				NW ¼				SW ¼				SE ¼				Acre Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
16N	04E	20									32	39	38	26		28	22		185
16N	04E	29		8			34												42

Total Irrigated Acres: 227

5. Map of Proposed System. Attach a map showing the location of the points of diversion, reservoirs, dams, canals, ditches, pipelines and other works proposed to divert and convey water. Also show the location of the place of use, including any lands to be irrigated. The map should delineate the legal subdivisions including townships, ranges, sections, quarter-quarters and government lots. Label map as Attachment 3C.

PART 4 – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Section 42-222(1), *Idaho Code*, establishes the criteria used to evaluate transfer applications. An applicant bears the burden of demonstrating that the water right to be changed is a valid right, that the proposed use is a beneficial use, and that the proposed changes will not injure other water rights, will not enlarge the use of the original rights, are in the local public interest, and are consistent with the conservation of water resources within the state of Idaho. To satisfy this burden, an applicant must provide sufficient data and information for the

Department to evaluate the effects of the proposed change. The Department may deny an application if the applicant fails to provide sufficient data and information to determine whether the criteria from Section 42-222(1) are satisfied. In addition to the information requested in Parts 1-3 of this application, the following information must be provided for an application to be considered complete. Department staff may request additional information or clarification as the application is processed.

A. Validity of Water Rights

1. If one or more of the water rights proposed to be changed is a statutory claim, established pursuant to Section 42-248, *Idaho Code*, attach evidence supporting the priority date claimed. Label documents as Attachment 4A-1. For statutory claims, the Department may conduct a field inspection as part of the application review process to evaluate the water right elements listed on the statutory claim.

2. Has any portion of the water right(s) proposed to be changed undergone a period of five or more consecutive years of non-use?

☐ Yes. Attach a statement describing the portion of the right(s) that were not used and the length of time of the non-use. In addition, identify any exception or defense to forfeiture and provide a detailed description as to why the water rights have not been lost and forfeited for non-use. Label documents as Attachment 4A-2. Statutory exceptions or defenses to forfeiture are set forth in Section 42-223, *Idaho Code*.

☒ No.

B. Injury to Other Water Rights

1. Identify any other water right(s) diverted at the current point(s) of diversion.

None.

2. Identify any other water right(s) diverted at the proposed point(s) of diversion.

N/A

3. Is the proposed point of diversion within a state water district? ☒ Yes. Water District # 65. ☐ No.

4. If already constructed and in use, are the proposed points of diversion equipped with Department-approved measuring devices? ☐ Yes. ☒ No.

5. If this application proposes to divert a surface water right from a ground water well, attach a technical analysis evaluating the hydraulic connection between the proposed ground water point of diversion and the source of water listed on the right to be changed. Label technical analysis as Attachment 4B-5.

6. If this application proposes changing the point of diversion for a ground water right in the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (ESPA), attach a technical analysis of the anticipated depletions to reaches of the Snake River that are hydraulically connected to the ESPA using the Department's current ground water model for the ESPA. The technical analysis must evaluate depletion impacts in a time-series format at transient and steady state time steps. To assist applicants in preparing the required technical analysis, the Department has developed a transfer tool interface for the ESPA model. The transfer tool and user instructions can be downloaded from the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). If the proposed and current points of diversion are in the same or adjacent model cells, no technical analysis is required, unless specifically requested by the Department. Label technical analysis as Attachment 4B-6.

C. Enlargement in Use

1. Identify any other water rights used at the current place of use, including the number of shares in a canal company or acres assessed by an irrigation district.

N/A

2. Identify any other water rights used at the proposed place of use, including the number of shares in a canal company or acres assessed by an irrigation district.

N/A

3. If this application proposes changing the place of use or nature of use for irrigation water rights, will the current place of use, for the portion of the right to be changed, continue to be irrigated?

☐ Yes. Identify the water right(s) to be used for the continued irrigation.

☒ No. The place of use for the portion to be changed will no longer be irrigated.

☐ N/A. The application does not propose to change the place of use for irrigation rights.

4. Unstacking Water Rights for Irrigation. If this application proposes to change the place of use for an irrigation water right that is combined with other irrigation rights at the current place of use but does not propose to change the place of use for all the stacked irrigation rights, attach evidence of the historical consumptive use occurring under all water rights at the current place of use. For irrigation rights, this should include at least five years of diversion data and/or crop data and estimates of evapotranspiration. Label the information as Attachment 4C-4. Evapotranspiration data may be available on the Department's website (<http://et-idwr.idaho.gov>)

5. If the application proposes to change the nature of use for a water right, attach evidence of the historical consumptive use occurring under the portion of the water right to be changed. For irrigation rights, this should include diversion data, crop data and estimates of evapotranspiration. Label the information as Attachment 4C-5. Evapotranspiration data may be available on the Department's website (<http://et-idwr.idaho.gov>)

6. If the application proposes to change the nature of use of a water right to municipal use for reasonably anticipated future needs, complete the form titled "Municipal Water Right Application Checklist" found on the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). Label the form as Attachment 4C-6.

7. To your knowledge, are any portions of the water rights proposed to be changed:

Yes No

☐☒

currently leased to the Water Supply Bank?

If yes, complete the form titled "Application for Transfer of Water Right Attachment WSB" found on the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov).

Label the Form as Attachment 4C-7.

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currently used in a mitigation plan limiting the use of water under the right?

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subject to an agreement not to divert (CREP)?

☐☒

currently enrolled in a federal set-aside program (CRP)?

D. Local Public Interest

The department must consider whether the proposed changes are in the local public interest as defined in Section 42-202B(3), *Idaho Code*. Some of the local public interest factors that may be considered in conjunction with a transfer application are (1) Recreation, fish, and wildlife impacts, (2) Water quality or contamination concerns, (3) Local and state ordinances, regulations, or policies related to water use, (4) Goals, requirements and limits set forth in the State Water Plan. If you choose to provide information about local public interest factors, label the information as Attachment 4D.

E. Conservation of Water Resources

Describe the diversion works and water delivery system. This may include sizes and dimensions of pumps, pipelines, headgates, ditches, dams, impoundments and irrigation equipment.

A headgate controls water level of the dam. Two seasonal pumps divert from the reservoir and supply water via handline for irrigation and stock watering.

PART 5 – FILING FEE AND SIGNATURE

A. Filing Fee. Filing fees for transfer applications are set forth in Section 42-221.O, *Idaho Code*. A table summarizing the filing fees for transfer applications is also found on the Department's website (idwr.idaho.gov). Any application proposing to change the nature of use for one or more rights requires an additional filing fee of \$250. Applications proposing to update the ownership records for water rights must also include the appropriate filing fee to update the ownership records. For any application relying on the filing fee set forth in Section 42-221.O.8, *Idaho Code*, attach a statement describing how the application qualifies under Section 42-221.O.8. Label documents as Attachment 5A.

B. Affidavit of Applicant or Representative:

I hereby assert that no one will be injured by the proposed changes and that the proposed changes do not constitute an enlargement in use of the original right(s). The information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any willful misrepresentations made in this application may result in rejection of the application or cancellation of an approval.

Signed by:  429C8C67C75A4B6...	Michelle Eld Lowen, Manager	3/14/2026
Signature of Applicant or Representative*	Print Name and Title, if applicable	Date
Signature of Applicant or Representative*	Print Name and Title, if applicable	Date

*If water rights included in this application are owned by multiple people or entities, each owner must sign the application form.

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Entity Name and Mailing Address:

Entity Name: ELD RANCH INVESTMENTS, LLC
The file number of this entity on the records of the Idaho Secretary of State is: 0000366014
Address: PMB-243
 6700 N LINDER RD
 STE 156
 MERIDIAN, ID 83646-6608

Entity Details:

Entity Status: Active-Existing
This entity is organized under the laws of: IDAHO
If applicable, the old file number of this entity on the records of the Idaho Secretary of State was: W119171

The registered agent on record is:

Registered Agent: Michelle A Eld Lowen
Registered Agent
Physical Address
 2554 E ROSEBERRY RD
 MCCALL, ID 83638
Mailing Address
 6700 N LINDER RD
 STE 156
 PMB-243
 MERIDIAN, ID 83646-6608

Limited Liability Company Managers and Members

Name	Title	Business Address
Michelle A Eld Lowen	Manager	2554 E ROSEBERRY RD MCCALL, ID 83638

The annual report must be signed by an authorized signer of the entity.

Job Title: Manager

Michelle Lowen

Sign Here

10/06/2025

Date

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STATE OF IDAHO

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February 24, 2026

Request Type: Certificate of Existence/Filing
Request #: 0006674005
Receipt #: 001283921

Issuance Date: 02/24/2026
Copies Requested: 0

Regarding: ELD RANCH INVESTMENTS, LLC
Filing Type: Limited Liability Company (D)
Formation/Qualification Date: 11/19/2012
Status: Active-Existing
Duration Term: Perpetual

File #: 366014
Delayed Effective Date:
Formation Locale: IDAHO
Inactive Date:

Certificate of Existence

I, Phil McGrane, Secretary of State of the State of Idaho, do hereby certify that effective as of the issuance date noted above

ELD RANCH INVESTMENTS, LLC

is a Limited Liability Company duly formed under the law of this State with a date of incorporation and duration as given above.

A handwritten signature in black ink, enclosed within an oval border.

Phil McGrane
Idaho Secretary of State

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Verification #: 038569131

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**IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT
PART 2A**

Current Water Right No.: 65-7200

Current Owner: WILLIAM ELD
Priority Date: 6/11/1971
Origin: Water Right
Status: Active
Basis: Decreed

Source

LAFFINWELL CREEK

Tributary

GOLD FORK RIVER

<u>Beneficial Use</u>	<u>From To</u>	<u>Diversion Rate</u>	<u>Annual Volume</u>
IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE	4/15 to 10/15		60 AF
IRRIGATION	4/15 to 10/15	3.2 CFS	600 AF
IRRIGATION STORAGE	4/15 to 10/15		60 AF
	<u>Total Diversion</u>	3.2 CFS	660 AF

Location of Point(s) of Diversion

LAFFINWELL CREEK VALLEY County	SW1/4SW1/4	Sec. 20,	Twp 16N,	Rge 04E B.M.
LAFFINWELL CREEK VALLEY County	SE1/4SW1/4	Sec. 20,	Twp 16N,	Rge 04E B.M.
LAFFINWELL CREEK VALLEY County	NE1/4NW1/4	Sec. 29,	Twp 16N,	Rge 04E B.M.
LAFFINWELL CREEK VALLEY County	NW1/4NW1/4	Sec. 29,	Twp 16N,	Rge 04E B.M.

Place of Use**IRRIGATION Within VALLEY County**

T16N R04E S19	SWSE	17.00	T16N R04E S19	SESE	40.00
T16N R04E S20	NESW	30.00	T16N R04E S20	NWSW	39.00
T16N R04E S20	SWSW	36.00	T16N R04E S20	SESW	24.00
T16N R04E S20	NWSE	7.00	T16N R04E S20	SWSE	8.00
T16N R04E S29	NENW	26.00			

Total Acres: 227

Place of Use: IRRIGATION STORAGE same as IRRIGATION

Place of Use: IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE same as IRRIGATION

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Conditions of Approval:

1. USE OF THIS RIGHT WITH THE RIGHTS LISTED BELOW IS LIMITED TO THE IRRIGATION OF A COMBINED TOTAL OF 227 ACRES IN A SINGLE IRRIGATION SEASON. COMBINED RIGHT NOS.: 65-07516 AND 65-12120. THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE IRRIGATION OF 200 ACRES WITHIN THE PLACE OF USE DESCRIBED ABOVE IN A SINGLE IRRIGATION SEASON.
2. C18 THIS PARTIAL DECREE IS SUBJECT TO SUCH GENERAL PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR THE DEFINITION OF THE RIGHTS OR FOR THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE WATER RIGHTS AS MAY BE ULTIMATELY DETERMINED BY THE COURT AT A POINT IN TIME NO LATER THAN THE ENTRY OF A FINAL UNIFIED DECREE. SECTION 42-1412(6), IDAHO CODE.
3. THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS ARE ALSO DIVERTED THROUGH POINT OF DIVERSION DESCRIBED ABOVE: 65-07516 AND 65-12120.

Decreed Date: 10/31/2000

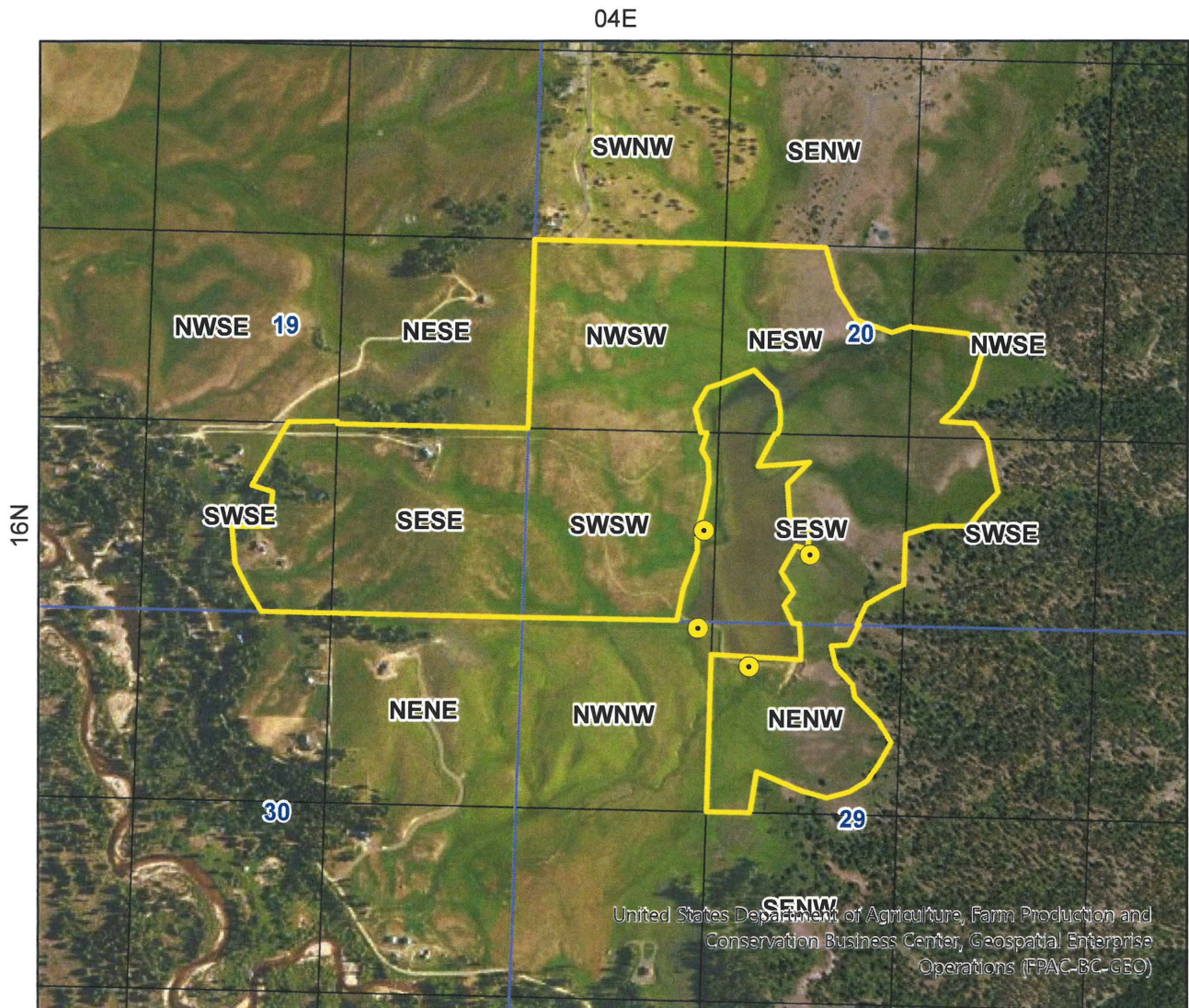
State of Idaho
Department of Water Resources

Water Right

65-7200

(IRRIGATION)

WILLIAM ELD



- Point of Diversion
- Place Of Use Boundary
- State Outline
- Townships
- Sections
- Quarter Quarters



0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 Miles



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**IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT
PART 2A**

Current Water Right No.: 65-07516

Current Owner: ELD RANCHES INC
 Priority Date: 11/12/1974
 Origin: Water Right
 Status: Active
 Basis: Decreed

Source

LAFFINWELL CREEK

Tributary

GOLD FORK RIVER

<u>Beneficial Use</u>	<u>From To</u>
IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE	4/15 to 10/15
IRRIGATION STORAGE	1/01 to 12/31
	<u>Total Diversion</u>

<u>Diversion Rate</u>	<u>Annual Volume</u>
	36 AF
	36 AF
	36 AF

Location of Point(s) of Diversion

LAFFINWELL CREEK

VALLEY County

NE1/4NW1/4 Sec. 29, Twp 16N, Rge 04E B.M.

LAFFINWELL CREEK

VALLEY County

NW1/4NW1/4 Sec. 29, Twp 16N, Rge 04E B.M.

Place of UseIRRIGATION FROM STORAGE Within VALLEY County

T16N R04E S19	SWSE	17.00	T16N R04E S19	SESE	40.00
T16N R04E S20	NESW	30.00	T16N R04E S20	NWSW	39.00
T16N R04E S20	SWSW	36.00	T16N R04E S20	SESW	24.00
T16N R04E S20	NWSE	7.00	T16N R04E S20	SWSE	8.00
T16N R04E S29	NENW	26.00			

Total Acres: 227

Place of Use: IRRIGATION STORAGE same as IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE

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Conditions of Approval:

1. THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE IRRIGATION OF 200 ACRES WITHIN THE PLACE OF USE DESCRIBED ABOVE IN A SINGLE IRRIGATION SEASON. USE OF THIS RIGHT WITH THE RIGHTS LISTED BELOW IS LIMITED TO THE IRRIGATION OF A COMBINED TOTAL OF 227 ACRES IN A SINGLE IRRIGATION SEASON. COMBINED RIGHT NOS.: 65-07200 AND 65-12120.
2. THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS ARE ALSO DIVERTED THROUGH POINT OF DIVERSION DESCRIBED ABOVE: 65-07200 AND 65-12120.
3. C18 THIS PARTIAL DECREE IS SUBJECT TO SUCH GENERAL PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR THE DEFINITION OF THE RIGHTS OR FOR THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE WATER RIGHTS AS MAY BE ULTIMATELY DETERMINED BY THE COURT AT A POINT IN TIME NO LATER THAN THE ENTRY OF A FINAL UNIFIED DECREE. SECTION 42-1412(6), IDAHO CODE.

Decreed Date: 10/31/2000

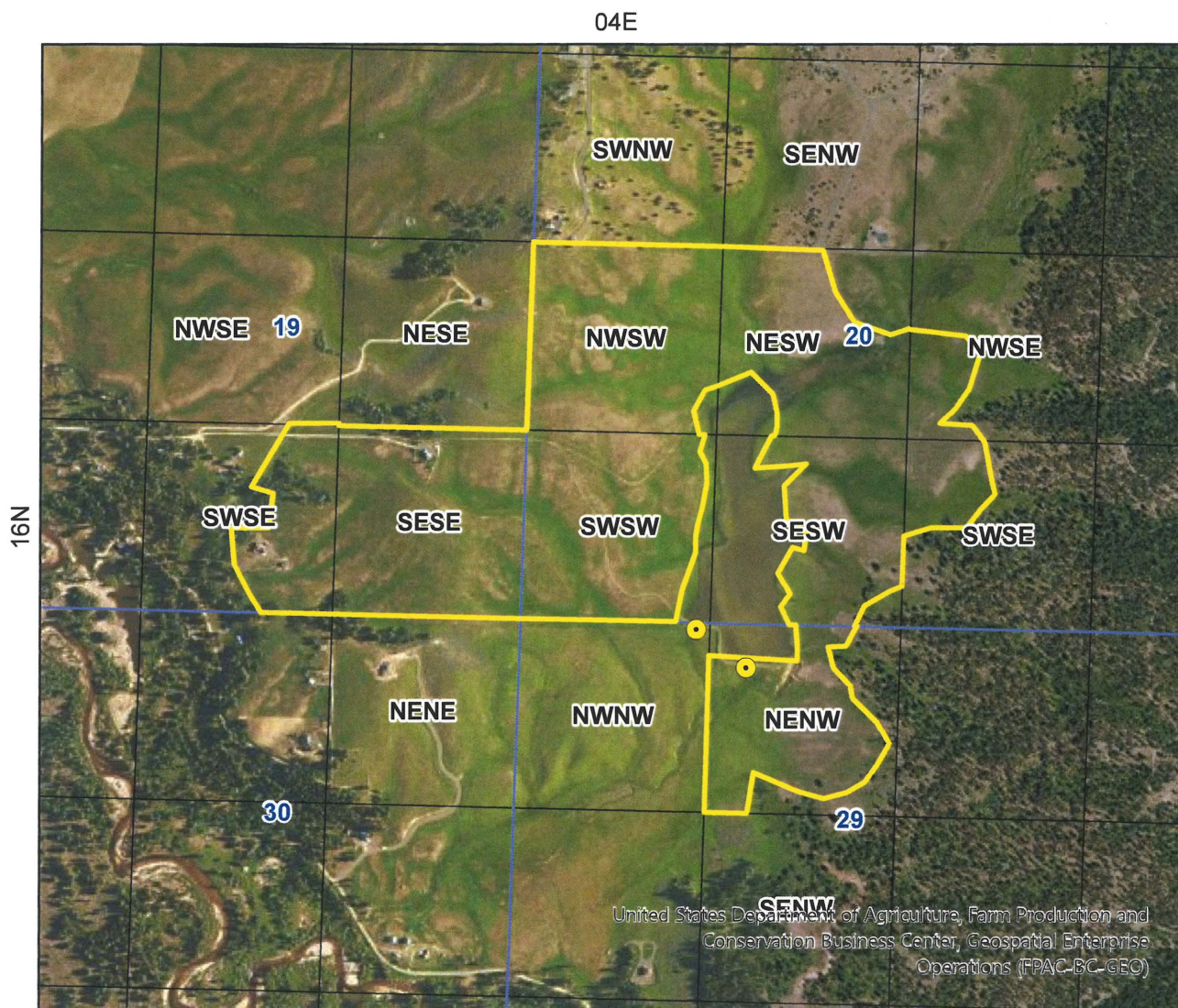
State of Idaho
Department of Water Resources

Water Right

65-7516

(IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE)

ELD RANCHES INC



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|-----------------------|------------------|
| Point of Diversion | Townships |
| Place Of Use Boundary | Sections |
| State Outline | Quarter Quarters |



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Prepared By Storms, Scott

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**IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT
PART 2A**

Current Water Right No.: 65-12120

Current Owner: ELD RANCHES INC
 Priority Date: 4/28/1978
 Origin: Water Right
 Status: Active
 Basis: Decreed

Source

LAFFINWELL CREEK

Tributary

GOLD FORK RIVER

<u>Beneficial Use</u>	<u>From To</u>
IRRIGATION STORAGE	10/15 to 4/15
IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE	4/15 to 10/15
<u>Total Diversion</u>	

<u>Diversion Rate</u>	<u>Annual Volume</u>
	34 AF
	34 AF
	34 AF

Location of Point(s) of Diversion

LAFFINWELL CREEK

VALLEY County

NE1/4NW1/4 Sec. 29, Twp 16N, Rge 04E B.M.

LAFFINWELL CREEK

VALLEY County

NW1/4NW1/4 Sec. 29, Twp 16N, Rge 04E B.M.

Place of UseIRRIGATION STORAGE Within VALLEY County

T16N R04E S19	SWSE	17.00	T16N R04E S19	SESE	40.00
T16N R04E S20	NESW	30.00	T16N R04E S20	NWSW	39.00
T16N R04E S20	SWSW	36.00	T16N R04E S20	SESW	24.00
T16N R04E S20	NWSE	7.00	T16N R04E S20	SWSE	8.00
T16N R04E S29	NENW	26.00			

Total Acres: 227

Place of Use: IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE same as IRRIGATION STORAGE

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Conditions of Approval:

1. THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE IRRIGATION OF 160 ACRES WITHIN THE PLACE OF USE DESCRIBED ABOVE IN A SINGLE IRRIGATION SEASON. USE OF THIS RIGHT WITH THE RIGHTS LISTED BELOW IS LIMITED TO THE IRRIGATION OF A COMBINED TOTAL OF 227 ACRES IN A SINGLE IRRIGATION SEASON. COMBINED RIGHT NOS.: 65-07200 AND 65-07516.
2. C18 THIS PARTIAL DECREE IS SUBJECT TO SUCH GENERAL PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR THE DEFINITION OF THE RIGHTS OR FOR THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE WATER RIGHTS AS MAY BE ULTIMATELY DETERMINED BY THE COURT AT A POINT IN TIME NO LATER THAN THE ENTRY OF A FINAL UNIFIED DECREE. SECTION 42-1412(6), IDAHO CODE.
3. THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS ARE ALSO DIVERTED THROUGH POINT OF DIVERSION DESCRIBED ABOVE: 65-07200 AND 65-07516.

Decreed Date: 10/31/2000

State of Idaho
Department of Water Resources

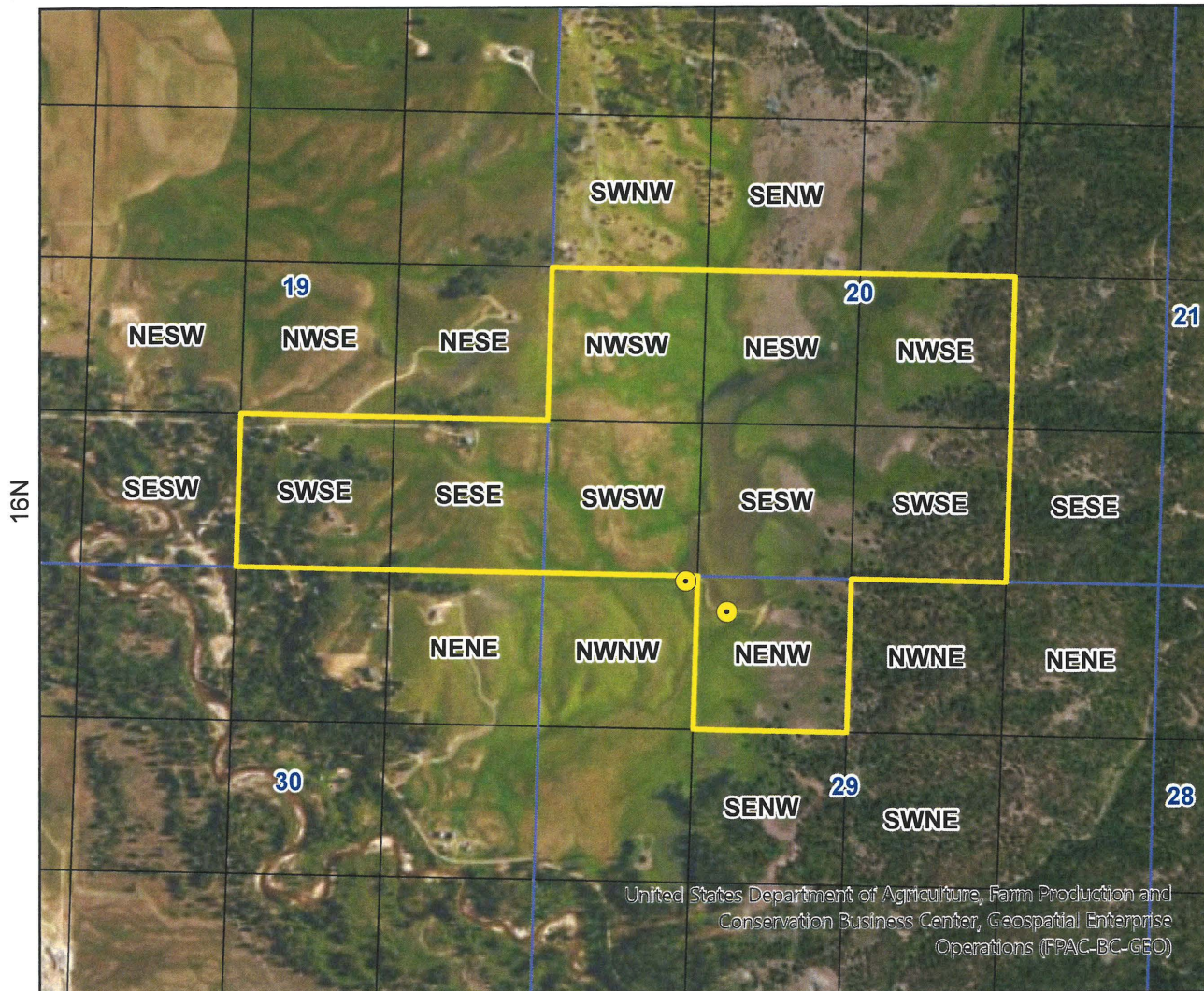
Water Right

65-12120

(IRRIGATION STORAGE)

ELD RANCHES INC

04E



- Point of Diversion
- Place Of Use Boundary
- State Outline
- Townships
- Sections
- Quarter Quarters



0 0.25 0.5 0.75 1 Miles



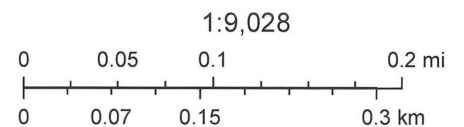
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ATTACHMENT 20 - Eld Ranch - New Water Use Areas



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- Counties
- Quarter Quarters
- PLS Sections
- Townships



Esri, HERE, iPC, Vantor

90374



IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

Western Region • 2735 W Airport Way • Boise, ID 83705-5082

Phone: 208-334-2190 • Fax: 208-334-2348 • Email: westerninfo@idwr.idaho.gov • Web: idwr.idaho.gov

Governor Brad Little

Director Mathew Weaver

June 17, 2026

ELD RANCH INVESTMENTS LLC
DBA ELD RANCHES
2554 E ROSEBERRY RD
MCCALL ID 83638-5303

RE: Transfer No. 90374
Water Right Nos. 65-12120, 65-7200, 65-7516

Dear Applicant:

The Department of Water Resources has received your water right transfer application. Please refer to the transfer number referenced above in all future correspondence regarding this transfer.

A legal notice of the application has been prepared and is scheduled for publication in the STAR NEWS on 6/18/2026 and 6/25/2026. Protests to this application may be submitted for a period ending ten (10) days after the second publication.

If the application is protested, you will be sent a copy of each protest. All protests must be resolved before the application can be considered for approval. If the protest(s) cannot be resolved voluntarily, the Department will conduct a conference and/or hearing on the matter.

If the application is not protested, the Department will process your application and notify you of any action taken on the application. If your application is approved, the Department will send you a copy of the approval document.

Please contact this office if you have any questions regarding the application.

Sincerely,

Lynne Evans
Administrative Assistant

CC: MARK YOUNG

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Notice ID: Yr0d3nkRNbrvpyw3xIhH | **Proof Updated: Jun. 12, 2026 at 06:51pm MDT**
Notice Name: 65-24447 C&S Family, 90374 Eld Ranch

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Lynne Evans
lynne.evans@idwr.idaho.gov
(208) 334-2190

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Total	\$130.36

The following applications have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:

65-24447

C & S FAMILY LLC
18061 LOCUST LN
CALDWELL, ID 83607-9770
Point of Diversion NESE S4
T15N R04E VALLEY County
Source FLAT CREEK Tributary
GOLD FORK RIVER
Use: IRRIGATION
04/15 to 10/31; 0.06 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.06 CFS
Date Filed: 05-12-2026
Place Of Use: IRRIGATION
T15N R04E S4 NESE
Total Acres: 2

NOTICE OF PROPOSED
CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT
TRANSFER NO. 90374

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LLC, DBA ELD RANCHES,
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to move 57 acres of irrigation
and irrigation from storage from
the SWSE and SESE of Sec.
19 T16N R04E to the NWNE
& NENW of Sec. 29 T16N
R04E, and the NESW, NWSW,
SWSW, SESW, NWSE &
SWSE of Sec. 20 T16N R04E.

Permits will be subject to all
prior water rights. For additional
information concerning the
property locations, contact
the Western Region office at
(208)334-2190; or for a full
description of the rights and
proposed changes, please
see [https://idwr.idaho.gov/
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submitted based on the criteria
of Idaho Code §§ 42-203A and
42-222. Any protest against
the approval of the above
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the Director, Dept. of Water
Resources, Western Region,
2735 W AIRPORT WAY, BOISE
ID 83705-5082 together with
a protest fee of \$25.00 for
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to the applicant.

MATHEW WEAVER, Director
Published in The Star-News
June 18, 25, 2026.

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Use: IRRIGATION

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Total Diversion: 0.06 CFS

Date Filed: 05-12-2026

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T15N R04E S4 NESE

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MATHEW WEAVER, Director

Published on 6/18/2026 and 6/25/2026

Storms, Scott

From: Storms, Scott
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2026 2:30 PM
To: 'Mark Young'
Subject: RE: Information for Transfer Application 90374

Mark,

I did a little digging in the backfile of the rights and some research on the county parcel data. I could not trace back the ownership of the two parcels I was looking at to the year 2000, when the rights were decreed, but I also do not see any evidence that land ownership by Eld Ranches has changed since that time. Given the rights were decreed in the name of Eld Ranches, and William Eld C/O Eld Ranches, and the Eld Ranches property has not changed in that time, I think it is reasonable to assume Eld Ranches is still full owner of the three rights. I am going to move this transfer forward into the advertising phase and we will keep moving from there.

Scott



Scott Storms, CPM
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2735 W Airport Way Boise, ID 83705

From: Storms, Scott
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 11:53 AM
To: 'Mark Young' <mark@k2excavation.org>
Subject: RE: Information for Transfer Application 90374

Hello Mark,

In regard to item 1. below, upon further research, I found that right 65-7200 was decreed in the name of William Eld C/O Eld Ranches. That is not stated on the water right report submitted with the application, but that is still how it is recorded in Department records, so we are good to go on that item regarding Eld Ranches/Eld Ranch Investments, LLC. having the authority to file the transfer on all 3 rights.

Regarding item 2., the image below displays the POU shape as it is currently recorded in the Department's database, which appears to coincide with the Decree map you shared, so it seems that has not been changed in any way since the Decree. The area outlined in red are parcels now owned by parties other than Eld Ranches/Eld Ranch Investments LLC. that appear to overlap portions of the rights, and those portions may have been sold as an appurtenance of the land, however I cannot confirm that without any sort of deed. It also may depend on the timing of the sale/conveyance of these acres vs when the rights were decreed. If Eld Ranches did not own these acres at the time of the decree, but the rights were still decreed to Eld Ranches, then Eld Ranches is still the legal owner of the right, despite ownership

I will keep you updated.



- Scott S.

From: Mark Young <mark@k2excavation.org>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 5:12 PM
To: Storms, Scott <Scott.Storms@idwr.idaho.gov>
Subject: Re: Information for Transfer Application 90374

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Thanks Scott. I'll review and get back to you on Monday. But real quick. William Eld passed away over 10 years ago and so did his wife about two years ago. They believe everything got transferred into the LLC, but we will dig up the back up to support it or work out the correction as you suggested.

Item two will require a little more research. I do have the attached original map used to establish the right (as I understand it) and that shows the outline of the area of the POU right which stops short of the two parcels you noted below.

Thanks for the note and more to follow after I review with Michelle (Eld Ranch). Have a great weekend.

Mark Young | Contracting & Finance

K2 Excavation & Construction, LLC

mark@k2excavation.org

C 858.232.4586

From: Storms, Scott <Scott.Storms@idwr.idaho.gov>

Date: Friday, May 29, 2026 at 3:26 PM

To: Mark Young <mark@k2excavation.org>

Cc: eldranchescattle@gmail.com <eldranchescattle@gmail.com>

Subject: RE: Information for Transfer Application 90374

Just resending as I made a mistake in the Eld Ranches email address.

- Scott S.

From: Storms, Scott

Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 3:20 PM

To: 'mark@k2excavation.org' <mark@k2excavation.org>

Cc: 'eldranchcattle@gmail.com' <eldranchcattle@gmail.com>

Subject: Information for Transfer Application 90374

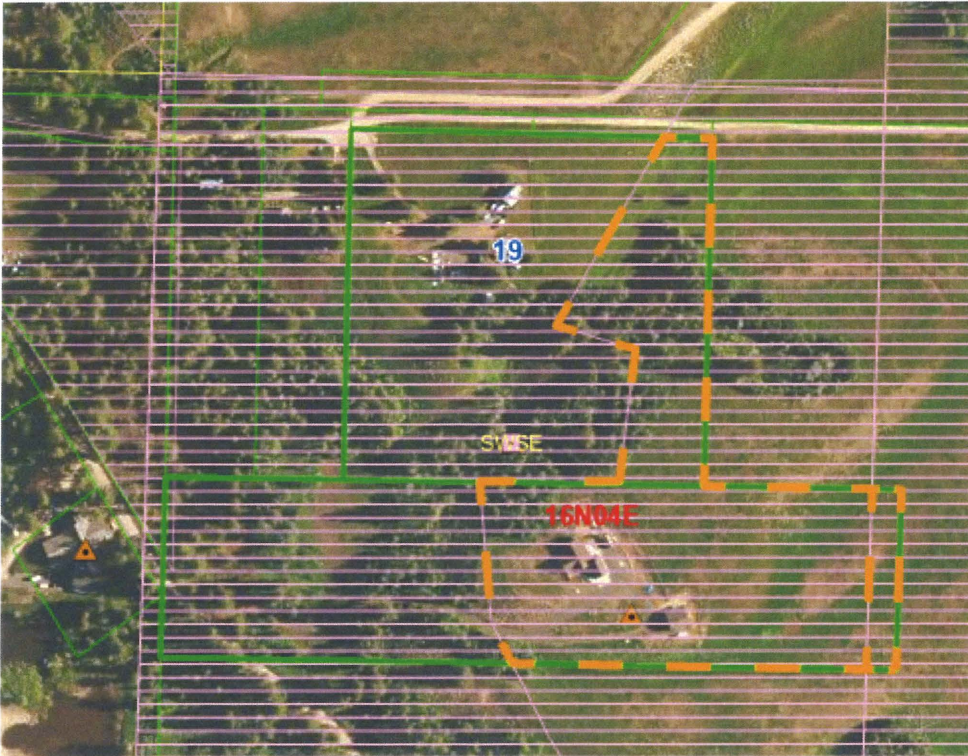
Mark,

Idaho Department of Water Resources (Department) received an application for transfer of water rights for Eld Ranch Investments LLC on March 25, 2026. Upon review, there are a few items that need address before moving forward to the next phase of advertising/public notice.

1. Rights 65-7516 & 65-12120 are recorded in the name of Eld Ranches LLC and it was confirmed through the Idaho Secretary of State records that Eld Ranches is an official assumed business name for Eld Ranch Investments LLC. Additionally, Department parcel data does show the majority of the property the rights are located on as owned by Eld Ranch Investments LLC. However, water right 65-7200 is recorded in the name of William Eld. William Eld is not a signatory on the application nor listed on the business report for Eld Ranch Investments. In order to move forward with the application the Department will need either some form of signed authorization from William Eld providing authorization to Eld Ranch Investments to file a transfer on his behalf, or Eld Ranch Investments could submit a copy of the warranty deed that shows it is the true owner of property the right is appurtenant to and pay the fee of \$25 if the right is not split, or \$100 if the right does need to be split, and the Department can update records to reflect Eld Ranch Investments or Eld Ranches LLC as the owner of the right.

2. In reviewing ownership of parcels the place of use (POU) for the water rights overlap, in the SWSE of Sec. 19, the POU overlaps 8.2 acres of parcels that appear to be owned by Michael Paul Vawter Jr. and Earnest Jaques (see image below). In order to move forward, Eld Ranch Investments needs to present evidence that it indeed still owns the entirety of the rights in the SWSE of Sec. 19 and that those portions were not sold as an appurtenance of the land.

If you submit any ownership records, please submit them to file@idwr.idaho.gov and cc me.



Best regards,

Scott



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