

MEMORANDUM

Date: July 23, 2026
To: Transfer 90410
From: McKenna Webster
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to convert a 7.6-acre portion of water right 22-7143 and all of water right 22-14572 for municipal purposes to be delivered through the City of Driggs' municipal system. This transfer proposes changes in point of diversion, nature of use, place of use, and period of use. Combined limits conditions in associated right nos. 22-7144, 22-7145 and 22-7146 have been updated.

Authority to File:

Purchase and sale agreements involving the current owner of the water right 22-7143 and the applicant were provided. The applicant is the owner of water right 22-14572 per IDWR record. The agreements authorize the applicant to file the transfer application. Additionally, the applicant provided a letter from the City of Driggs mayor, who consents to the transfer. Water right ownership for the 7.6-acre portion of water right 22-7143 will not change. The application was signed by Natalie Burtenshaw, POA for John Burtenshaw, manager of LLKM Properties.

Water Right Validity:

The water right was decreed in 2009 and water right 22-14572(split from 22-7681) was licensed in 2000. Aerial imagery at the right waters place of use shows cultivated fields and suggests regular irrigation. No forfeiture issues identified.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The transfer application was advertised, and no protests were received. Watermaster comment was requested but none was received. No injury identified.

Enlargement of Use:

To prevent enlargement, the volume being transferred is limited to the historical consumptive use associated with these water rights. Consumptive use value was calculated using barley (spring grain) (22-7143) and Alfalfa (22-14572) as historic crops. According to ET-IDWR, the ET value at the Tetonia station for spring grain is 1.56 af/acre, and Alfalfa 2.03 af/acre. Combined limits for the associated rights mentioned above have been updated to prevent enlargement. The proposed changes will not result in enlargement because the authorized diversion rate and volume 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.