

MEMORANDUM

TO: Transfer No. 90437 Judd

FROM: Allen Bradbury

DATE: 07/10/2026

RE: Evaluation of Application for Transfer of Water Right

The purpose of this transfer is to change the point of diversion. The current point of diversion for water rights 63-34688 consists of three points of diversion that are not on the applicant's property. The applicants desire to drill a new well on their property to access the aquifer. Water will be used at the current place of use from a ground water well along Lewis Lane between Farner Rd and Pump Rd, Nampa, Idaho 83686, in Canyon County.

Summary of Information Submitted

Authority to File: The application was filed by Erin and Jordan Judd and signed by both applicants. The applicants owns all property associated with the place of use and the new point of diversion in this application.

Water Right Validity/Historical Beneficial Use: Water right 63-34688 was originally split from water right 63-32330. Water right is presumed to be valid since beneficial use is evident within the last five years as confirmed by Department aerial imagery and Climate Engine analysis. Therefore, a defense of forfeiture is not needed.

Injury to Other Water Rights: This transfer will allow water to be diverted from a well on the applicants property. No comments were received from other potentially affected parties. No protests were received at advertising. Based on this evidence there is not a concern with other users making a call or being injured.

Enlargement of Use: The transfer does not propose any change to the diversion rate or volume nor any unsubordinated change to the season of use or a change in the nature of use. The number of irrigated acres will remain at original acres. For these reasons, an enlargement of use is not anticipated as a result of this transfer.

Local Public Interest: There are no anticipated negative impacts to recreation, fish, or wildlife as a result of this transfer. There is no indication that any applicable water or hazardous substance standards designed to protect water resources would be violated. This transfer is compatible with the objectives and policies of the State Water Plan. It is within the local public interest to allow private properties to develop their property and fully use their water rights which in turn benefits the public at large. None of the available information suggests a conflict with the local public interest. Comments received from the watermaster did not offer any opposition to the transfer.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources: No issues were identified. The application proposes beneficial use consistent with conservation of water resources in Idaho.

The application is consistent with criteria of I. C. § 42-222 and should be processed.

Additional Information/Analysis

Overlap Analysis:

The new well location does not overlap any other water rights. The place of use overlaps 63-12007 and 63-32330 by occupying the same quarter-quarter but is in a different tax parcel.

Discussion

If approved the following changes should be made to the conditions of water right no. 63-34688. Add R65 and O1M. Add standard transfer conditions T07 and T08, replace C18 with T19.

Summary

Assuming no other information contradicts the above analysis, the application can be approved as reflected by the draft approval.