

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 25, 2026
To: Transfer 90525
From: McKenna Webster
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

This transfer proposes to add a point of diversion to water right 75-13953. With the applicant's original point of diversion providing inefficient water supply for flood irrigation during low water years, this additional point of diversion is proposed in the hope that it will provide an efficient water supply to irrigate part of the place use consisting of yards, gardens and pasture areas. The current point of diversion is used for flood irrigation and will remain in use. The additional point of diversion will consist of a pump with a pipeline.

Authority to File:

According to IDWR records, the applicants are the current owners of the water rights included in the transfer. Additionally, Lemhi County parcel data shows that one of the applicants is the owner of the place of use where the additional point of diversion is proposed. During a phone conversation, the applicant indicated that measuring devices will be put on both points of diversion.

Water Right Validity:

The water right was decreed in 2008. Aerial imagery suggests irrigation of the place of use for over a decade. Forfeiture not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

The transfer application was advertised, and no protests were received. The assistant watermaster does not oppose approval of this transfer. The original point of diversion will irrigate the applicant's hay and pasture when there is a full water supply. The new point of diversion will irrigate grounds around the applicant's homesite. No injury identified.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed changes will not result in enlargement because the authorized diversion rate and acreage 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.