

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

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

Exam Date: 9/11/2026

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

Comment: N/A

2. Current Owner: Ken and Angela Finlayson
 Owner of Record Correct? X Y N
 Address of Record Correct? X Y N
 If No Explain:

3. Beneficial Use Fees have been paid: X Y N Receipt No: N046272

4. Source: Unnamed Stream
Tributary: Fish Creek

Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, and the Permit Holders Statement of Completion for Proof of Beneficial Use (Proof Statement).

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
96-9904	Unnamed Stream	Power	Permit

Comments: Water Rights (WR) Permit 96-9904 overlaps the permitted place of use (POU) and is owned by the permit holder according to Department records. According to the application for permit the location of the point of diversion (POD) is at different location. After a phone call with the permit holder on September 11th, 2026, they confirmed the hydropower system is not connected to the diversion system for 96-9633. Therefore, there is no reason to limit use when combined with permit 96-9904.

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

Water Right No.	Source	Purpose of Use	Basis
N/A			

Comments: There are no other WR's overlapping the permitted point of diversion (POD).

C. DIVERSION AND DELIVERY SYSTEM

1. Location of Point(s) of Diversion:

Source	Govt. Lot	¼	¼	¼	Sec.	Twp.	Rge.		County
Unnamed Stream			SE	NW	27	55N	03W	B.M.	Bonner

Method of Determination: GIS Idaho Tax Parcel Data, photographs provided by the permit holder with their Proof Statement, and a phone conversation with the permit holder on September 11th, 2026. During the phone conversation the permit holder confirmed the spring source authorized on the permit was not developed. Therefore, I recommend removing it from the license.

Change in POD? Y X N Amendment Required? Y X N

2. Place of Use: Domestic

TWP	RGE	Sec	NE				NW				SW				SE				Totals
			NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	
55N	03W	27								D									
		Lot #																	

Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, 2022/2026 Bonner County/2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery, photographs provided by the permit holder with their Proof Statement, and a phone conversation with the permit holder on September 11th, 2026.

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 (required).

 X Additional Aerial Photography.

 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 Attached

Measured Method: 2022/2026 Bonner County/2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery, photographs provided by the permit holder with their Proof Statement, and a phone conversation with the permit holder on September 11th, 2026, confirmed the development of internal and external domestic use within the development period. External use consists of a garden space located in the NW of the POU. According to Administrative Application Processing Memo #22 the standard diversion rate for a single domestic use is 0.04 cfs. I am recommending a 0.04 cfs diversion rate.

Administrative Application Processing Memo #22 Standard = 0.04 cfs

Permit allowed = 0.19 cfs

Total Recommendation = 0.04 cfs

Comments: N/A

F. VOLUME CALCULATIONS

1. Volume Calculations for Irrigation:

$$V_{I.R.} = (\text{Acres Irrigated}) \times (\text{Irrigation Requirement}) = \underline{N/A}$$

$$V_{D.R.} = [\text{Diversion Rate (cfs)}] \times (\text{Days in Irrigation season}) \times 1.9835 = \underline{N/A}$$

$$V = \text{Smaller of } V_{I.R.} \text{ and } V_{D.R.} = \underline{N/A}$$

2. Volume Calculations for Other Uses: According to Administrative Application Processing Memo #22 the standard diversion volume for a single domestic use is 0.6 af for internal and 0.6 af for external domestic use or 1.2 af total. I am recommending a 1.2 af diversion volume.

Comments: N/A

G. PURPOSE OF USEIrrigation Y X N # Stock N/A Domestic # of Homes 1 (Internal and External)Change in Purpose of Use? Y X N

Method of Determination: GIS, Idaho Tax Parcel Data, 2022/2026 Bonner County/2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery, photographs provided by the permit holders with their Proof Statement, and a phone conversation with the permit holder on September 11th, 2026.

H. NARRATIVE/REMARKS/COMMENTS

This permit qualifies for an in-office licensing examination. The permit authorized internal domestic use for one home and the irrigation of 5.0 acres. Idaho Tax Parcel Data indicated the property was developed in 2017. The permit holder indicated on their Proof Statement internal domestic use for one home and less than 0.5 an acre of irrigation was developed. Aerial Imagery did not clearly indicate if external domestic or the spring source on the permit were developed. After a phone conversation with the permit holder on September 11th, 2026, they confirmed they irrigated a garden visible in 2022 Bonner County Aerial Imagery (located in NW of the POU). During the same phone call the permit holder confirmed the spring source was not developed. Therefore, I recommend it be removed from the license. Since the permit authorized irrigation greater than ½ an acre (5.0 acres), developed irrigation is less than ½ an acre, and the permit includes internal domestic use I recommend the separate irrigation use be moved under domestic use on the license. 2022/2026 Bonner County and 2025 NAIP Aerial Imagery indicated less than ½ an acre of irrigation and internal domestic use was developed within the development period.

WR Permit 96-9904 overlaps the permitted POU and is owned by the permit holder according to Department records. According to the application for permit the location of the point of diversion (POD) is at different location. After a phone call with the permit holder on September 11th, 2026, they confirmed the hydropower system is not connected to the diversion system for this permit. Therefore, there is no reason to limit use when combined with permit 96-9904. A condition on the permit requires the permit holder to install a fish screen with a perforation size of ¼ in or smaller. The permit holder confirmed on their Proof Statement a fish screen meeting conditioned specifications was installed on the diversion intake. The standards set in Administrative Application Processing Memo #22 were utilized to make a diversion rate and volume 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 0.04 cfs diversion rate and 1.2 af diversion volume.

Conditions X15 and 004 should remain on the license. Condition 132 should be changed to X01 and condition 187 should be added because I recommend the separate irrigation use on the permit be included under domestic use. Condition R66 should be removed because I recommend the separation irrigation use on the permit be included under domestic use. Condition 26A should be removed as standard with licensing.

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

1. Recommended Amounts:

<u>BENEFICIAL USE</u>	<u>PERIOD OF USE</u>	<u>DIVERSION RATE</u>	<u>ANNUAL VOLUME</u>
Domestic	01/01 – 12/31	0.04 CFS	1.2 AF
	Totals:	0.04 CFS	1.2 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

8/11/2026

Reviewer



Date

9/28/26

Field Exam Map

Map showing the authorized point of diversion (yellow point) and place of use (orange outline). External domestic use is located in the NW of the POU (outlined in red).



2026 Bonner County Aerial Imagery.

External domestic use is located in the NW of the POU (outlined in red).
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2022 Bonner County Aerial Imagery.

External domestic use is located in the NW of the POU (outlined in red).
96-9633

