

MEMORANDUM

TO: Water District 61D – Little Canyon Creek File

FROM: Angie Grimm

DATE: April 10, 2014

RE: WM Rich Wootan Conversation April 9,2014

On April 9, 2014 I spoke with watermaster Rich Wootan:

- Rich asked if there was a simple calculation/measurement method to tell how much water is being let down Little Canyon Creek past Trail's diversion by measuring the size of the opening underneath the headgate.
- Told Rich IDWR's made tables of flow measured vs. opening of headgate for other water districts in the past, but takes several measurements to develop. In this case, considering Trail's are required by order to repair their measurement device downstream of the headgate, there may not be much value in doing the measurements required.
- Told Rich can also estimate flow using the Float (Orange-Peel) Method if necessary.
- Offered to ask permission to go and take a one-time measurement if Rich thought it'd be beneficial.
- Rich concerned he's not letting enough water past Trail's diversion for downstream users who've made calls.
- Indicated Ark Properties, Joyce Pearson, and Richard Anderson (through farmer of Anderson property?) made calls along with Trail.
- Told Rich Ark Properties and Joyce Pearson are senior to Trail, but not Anderson. Indicated he should deliver to Ark Properties and Joyce Pearson ahead of Trail.
- Suggested Rich continue to communicate with downstream users asking whether they have enough water to satisfy their rights. Meanwhile continuing to adjust Trail's headgate until downstream users are satisfied. This is the best method to deliver water considering the watermaster does not have the tools (measuring devices specifically) to deliver in any other manner.
- Rich indicated he will continue to talk with the parties involved and deliver quantities according to priorities as best he can.