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Re: Anderson Creek Water Rights

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Meserth:

Pursuant to Mrs. Meserth's visit to this office last week I have researched the water rights from Anderson Creek near Crouch. Attached to this letter is a listing of all water rights from Anderson Creek. The water right numbers which are circled are those rights which are diverted into the ditch which has its origin in the SENE of Section 23, T9N, R4E and runs north of Anderson Creek. This is the same ditch which you had described to me and which you explained had some flooding problems last winter. You will note from the attached listing that there are other rights with the same point of diversion description. Most of the rights which are not circled are rights diverted into the ditch which runs south of Anderson Creek. I had matched water rights to the respective ditches based on maps which are on file at the Department of Water Resources and had been prepared for the Payette River Adjudication sometime in the late 1970's.

Also attached to this letter is a summary report of the water rights which are circled on the Anderson Creek water rights listing. Of those rights which our records show as being appurtenant to lands serviced by the north ditch, only two rights include stock water use during the non-irrigation season. One of those two rights is owned by you. The total rate of diversion for stock use under those two rights is 0.05 cubic feet per second (cfs), or 22.45 gallons per minute (gpm). Based on this review, I conclude that no more than 0.05 cfs should be diverted into the north ditch during the non-irrigation season, which is November 1 to April 1.

Please note that I have also reviewed and enclosed listings of claims filed in the more recent and ongoing Snake River Basin Adjudication. This latter review does not indicate that any additional claims have been made for diversion of stock water to the north ditch during the non-irrigation season.

I hope this information addresses your questions. If you have further questions, you may contact me directly at 327-7864.

Sincerely

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Hydrologist  
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cc: Western Region Office