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Date: June 13, 2003

Re: Water District 13T – Gem Valley Farms Fax Dated June 12, 2003

Chad,

I reviewed your last fax message dated June 12. I feel that making the necessary system changes at the well so that water right 13-7198B is appurtenant to and consistent with the place of use described under the right is certainly an acceptable option. This right is appurtenant to the small pivot in Section 29 and the large pivot in the NE1/4 of Section 29. I assume from review of your fax that the 42 acre pie shape under right 13-7198B that you designated as being a place of use within the large pivot in the SE1/4 of Section 20 and irrigated from the DC well no longer applies since this pivot will be irrigated with canal water only. As I understand it, the 42 acres will not be irrigated from ground water this year.

Installing the flow meter now would be helpful. I think IDWR would be more insistent on the flow meter installation if we approve a permissible place of use transfer from this well. The flow meter may not be necessary this year as long as the watermaster can determine what pivots the well is going to. Perhaps it would help to review the matter with Craig Shuler before you install the meter – I want to avoid a situation where you may end up having to move or change the meter location later on based on approval of the transfer or upon our inspection after the install. Remember, most meters require up to 10 pipe diameters upstream and 5 diameters downstream of straight unobstructed pipe. These requirements can sometimes be reduced using straightening vanes or other measures.

Thanks for your reply and attention to this matter. Tim

CC: Craig Shuler, Watermaster
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From: Chad B Neibaur

RE: D.C. Well Section 29

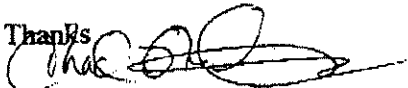
Dear Tim:

After talking to you yesterday I thought maybe what we ought to do for now rather than file a temporary transfer is to go back to the actual 193 acre place of use that currently exists and water the two large pivots out of the canal for this year. This would cover my concerns on the potato pivot for now and then I could just get in place a permanent transfer to include the 42 acres so that we would be set for next year. I called Golden West Irrigation and they have a meter we could install quickly so that we could monitor the volume and flow rate without having to reconfigure the manifold system. This should put us back square with the right for now and allow us to turn the system into a permissible place of use through a permanent transfer. Golden West will have the meter to me tomorrow and we should have it all operational by Monday.

Let me know if we're okay in heading this direction.

Thanks

Chad



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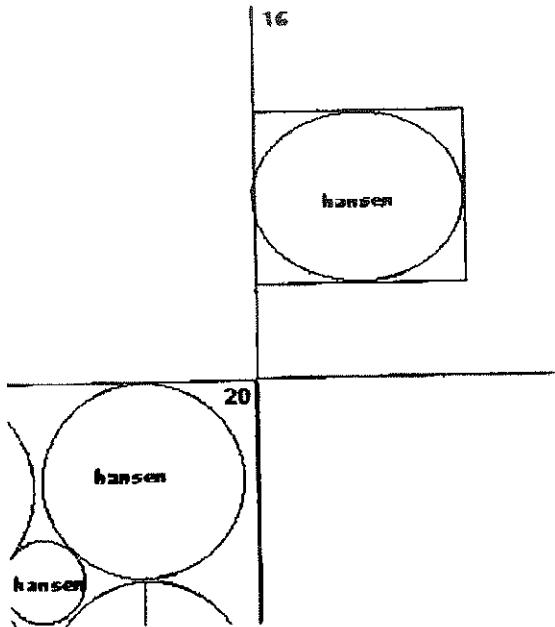
Re: Clarification of 2003 water use.

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Dear Tim:

I received your fax this morning and need to walk through my understanding and see if we need to further adjust our documentation.

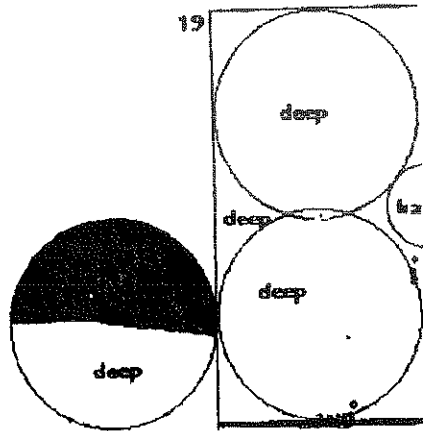
First: The Hansen System. We will be running the two large pivots plus the mini pivot as we usually do. The Large pivot in section 16 is in its west position.



This will cover approximately 260 acres this year.

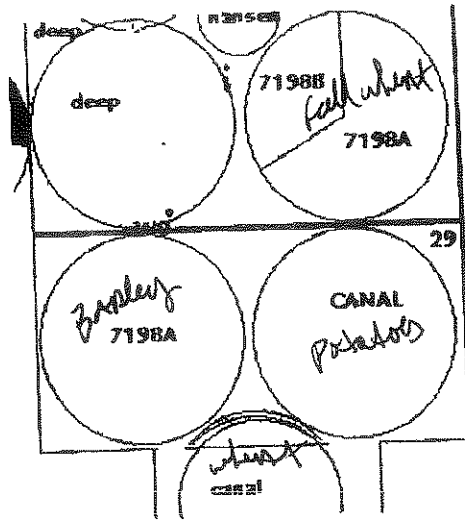
Second: The Deep Well. We normally run water on all three pivots in this system except for a 42 acre piece that we designate each year. This is the year in the rotation that we put potatoes on the 16 acres in the adjoining corners and so we have elected to dry up the north half of the pivot in section 19 (about 58 acres). The "stop in slot" is in place to shut the pivot down as it leaves the potatoes but it leaks a little so we walk it over into the wheat to drain when off.

$$42 + 16 = 58$$



Third: The Dwain Christensen well: The 42 acres that we attempted to include in the deep well originally, as far as I understand, remains with the DC Well and was designated as 7198 B. If you recall, two summers ago, we redid the manifold system at that location and the well has been watering the southeast pivot in section 20 and the west pivot in section 29. This is the third year that we have operated that way. I understood that without the acceptance of the 42 acres to the deep well, that it reverted back or remained with the DC Well. If I need to do something to clarify that further let me know how.

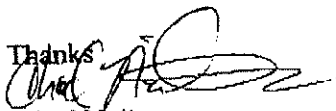
*Did the 42 revert back to the DC well?
This is the puzzle pieces that went from DC to Deep well.*



Of the three systems (Hansen, Deep, Dwain Christensen) we have a total water right of 810 acres. We will be watering within an acres or two of that.

Hansen	260
Deep	309
DC	<u>238</u>
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I would like to trade place of use of the two pivots in 29 and hope to get up to Idaho Falls this week to try and make that change.

Thanks

 Chad Neibaur