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Lucy Gray
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Re: Injection of Groundwater to Rock Creek


Dear Ms. Gray:

Through recent discussions with the watermaster of Rock Creek, Water District No. 47-0, the Department has learned that you are injecting groundwater into Rock Creek and then rediverting this source of water from Rock Creek at a point downstream. It is the watermaster's understanding that this practice has occurred for a number of years.

I have researched the Department's records for groundwater rights and Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) claims under your name. I can not find that any of the groundwater rights or claims under your name authorize the injection and rediversion of groundwater to and from Rock Creek. You should be aware that continuance of this practice may be jeopardized unless you have valid water rights to cover this use. You are advised to immediately visit our regional office in Twin Falls to clarify the uses under your groundwater rights. If your rights do not cover this groundwater exchange, then you may need to file a water right transfer and/or amend your SRBA claims. Failure to take immediate action concerning this matter may result in the Department taking action to prohibit the groundwater exchange.

You are also advised that a separate order has been sent to you requiring installation of measuring devices and controlling works on diversions from Rock Creek within Water District 47-0. This order would apply to your groundwater injection and rediversion from Rock Creek.

Respectfully,


Tim Luke
Water Allocations

cc: Charles Helman, Watermaster
Jim Stanton, Southern Region
Allen Merrit, Southern Region