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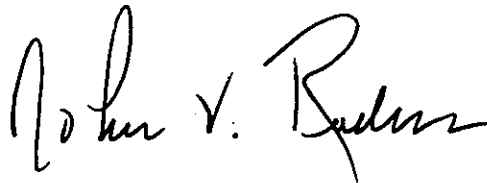
Dear IDWR:

In phone conversations with the people in charge of the measuring device project I have been told that an exemption will be issued for irrigation under five acres. Your information sent with the order correctly indicates that we are irrigating 3.8 acres. In addition, the water right we have is for .37 CFS. It originates in springs on the original 80 acres of the property [now divided] and goes back into ground water without reaching the river. It has been this way for approximately 75 years.

In addition, we have been pumping a small amount [operating a 1.5" gas-powered pump 1-2 hours a week] out of an overflow channel from the Salmon River. I have been keeping the overflow channel open in the summers by pick and shovel because in addition to providing a reservoir for the gas-powered pump, it supports a wetlands of approximately ten acres, beaver ponds, and a great many of juvenile fish and other wildlife. I would like to continue doing so and would like your advice on this matter.

This letter was requested by your office. Please let me know if the exemption has been granted and if I can continue to work to keep the overflow channel open.

Thank you,



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