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Ivan Gustafson
PO Box 209
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RE: Troutner Ponds


Dear Mr. Gustafson:

As follow up to our meeting we had yesterday, please find enclosed a copy of documents found in the water right file for License No. 36-08377 in the name of A L Troutner. As these documents show, it appears that the ponds we observed yesterday are essentially the same ponds as observed in the licensing field exam conducted by Jim Stanton on 6/18/1991. Additional letters in the file from Troutner indicate that these ponds were built during a time spanning from 1973 to 1985.

I hope this information is helpful to you. Hopefully the meeting yesterday will prompt Mr. Troutner and Mr. Crist to work together to assure delivery of the Crist irrigation shares through the Troutner property. Additionally, it is hopeful that the meeting will prompt the Big Bend Irrigation Company to develop better control of the shareholders/diversions so that equitable delivery to the shareholders can be achieved.

If you have further questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,


Allen Merritt, PE
Southern Region Manager

CC: Tim Luke