Water Transfer Working Group Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 5, 2018, @ 1:00 PM

Attendees:
In the room: Dave Brown, Kelsey Collins, Stuart Crane, Paul Dempsey, Joel Freudenthal, Chuck Garner, Trevor Hutton, Stan Isley, Jon Kohr, Jolee Ramos, Tom Ring, and Kurt Walker
On the phone: None

* NOTE: The call in number is currently activated and available through April 2018. The current call-in number is (303) 445-3914, and the password is 1245. Stan is currently pursuing a renewal that will be distributed to the group when it is finalized.

- Approval of Minutes:
  February 5, 2018 – The group approved the draft meeting minutes posted on the website.

Previous Business:
- **2018-05 – Mt. View Enterprises, LLC (G4-35942).** Kurt presented. The proposal is for one residential connection at 350 gpd used year round and seasonal irrigation of 500 square feet of lawn/garden, mitigated by the Swiftwater Ranch Water Bank’s right (No. CS4-02255(A)CTCL@2). The Exchange Contract will be used to address out-of-season impacts (9/01-3/31). WDFW brought up a concern that Balmers Canyon is critical habitat with possible presence of O. mykiss. Fish surveys don’t appear to have been conducted. Recommendation at the February meeting was for the proposal to be tabled until fish issues and a path forward can be determined.

  WDFW conducted a survey of 100 meters and found five fish, but the impacts are not likely due to water loss. **Thumbs up.**

New Business:
- **2018-10 – Phoenix United Properties LLP (G4-35894(A).** Kurt presented. The proposal is for two residential connections at 250 gpd used continuously, mitigated by the S.C. Aggregate Bank, Trust Water Right No. CS4-01724CTCLsb7. There will be no outdoor use. The withdrawal is near Burbank Creek, which WDFW indicated has O. mykiss present, but impacts are expected to be to the Yakima River, which will be mitigated water for water. The contract will not be used. **Thumbs up.**

- **2018-11 – LeeLynn Inc. and Wiley Mt. Inc. (CS4-02206sb22@2/S4-83689-J).** Kurt presented. The new owners of the Boise Cascade Mill are seeking to permanently transfer the surface water right to instream flow and mitigation. The right is for a total of 5 cfs (2.7 cfs is consumptive and 2.3 cfs is non-consumptive), 484 ac-ft/yr. The group discussed that the consumptive/non-consumptive calculations were not included in the project description. Everyone agreed that once a clarified proposal is distributed to the
group, along with the draft Report of Examination, the group will give their vote via email.

**Other business:**

- The current WTWG meeting schedule goes through July 2018. Stan proposes additional dates through February 2019 (in bold below):
  - April 2, May 7; June 4; and July 7, 2018; **August 6; August 27; October 1; November 5; and December 3; all in 2018; January 7, 2019; and February 4, 2019**; all on Monday @1:00 PM at Reclamation’s Yakima Field Office Conference Room.