

Water Transfer Working Group Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 5, 2016, @ 1:00 PM

Attendees:

Paul Dempsey, Chuck Garner, Carron Helberg, Stan Isley, Jonathan Kohr, Tom Ring, Kurt Walker, with no phone call-ins.

Approval of Minutes:

- November 7, 2016 – the group approved the minutes with the addition of Tom Ring's comments and clarification on previous pending proposals.

Previous Business:

- 2017-10 Longmeier: This proposal has no mitigation for pumping impacts to the upper Cle Elum River above Lake Cle Elum and needs further discussion. Tom may talk to Joe Mentor or Jessica Kuchan about the mitigation water packages the New Suncadia Water Bank offers, and identifying this area as a 'no outdoor irrigation' area. Or perhaps the Longmeier's would voluntarily agree to not irrigate lawn or garden at their home. **It remains on hold and will come back to the group at a later time.**
- 2017-02 Borton: Concerning this proposal's status for WTWG, Tom thought it should move forward. Ecology said they received the amended language the group was asking for, the management plan is still forth coming, and it will become a **Thumbs Up when Ecology adopts the final management plan.**
- 2017-15 Pearl: Change the statement to **"Thumbs Up with use of Exchange Contract"**.

New Business:

- 2017-16 Lathrop: Kurt explained this is a permit, for use of an existing well for a single domestic supply and 1,089 ft² of outdoor irrigation, mitigated by the SC Aggregate Water Bank. It is between Manastash & Robinson Creeks, in a Yellow Area, no need for use of the Exchange Contract, Stan talked about the math shown for the outdoor irrigation on the project description, and the group agreed the 1.51 ft/yr should have been 2.62 ft/yr, but is otherwise correct. Tom, Jonathan, Chuck and Stan gave a **Thumbs Up.**
- 2017-17 Kroeger: Kurt explained this is also a permit, for use of an existing well for a single domestic supply with no outdoor irrigation. It is near 2017-16, mitigation through SC Aggregate Water Bank, pumping impacts to the Yakima River, no Exchange Contract use needed. Jonathan noted the diversion is ¼ mile away from the home, calculations are good, as Jonathan, Tom, Stan and Chuck gave a **Thumbs Up.**
- 2017-18 Burchak: Kurt explained this is being served with its own water bank, the Burchak Water Bank. It is a new use from a well for a single domestic supply and 500 ft²

of outdoor irrigation, but in the same basin (Tillman Creek) as original mitigation water source. Use of exchange contract from 11/01-3/31. Stan, Tom, Jonathan and Chuck gave a **Thumbs Up**.

- 2017-19 Willits: Kurt explained the Trailside Water Bank, formerly called the Northland, or Sapphire Skies, Water Bank, is serving this parcel with mitigation water, as its own water bank. One WBN well for a single domestic supply and 500 ft² of outdoor irrigation, east of Cle Elum. Exchange contract use from 9/01-3/31, with Jonathan talking about the flow of water in this area. Stan, Chuck, Tom and Jonathan gave a **Thumbs Up**.
- 2017-20 Flynn: Kurt explained this is one WBN well for a single domestic supply and 500 ft² of outdoor irrigation on the north flank of Lookout Mountain, within the Teanaway basin, mitigated by the Masterson Ranch Water Bank, it has a poor aquifer. They will contribute to the local Teanaway mitigation fund \$500 for out of season flow impacts, with the use of the Exchange Contract from 9/16-10/31. Stan was ok with the calculations, Jonathan, Chuck, Stan and Tom gave a **Thumbs Up**.

Next Meeting:

- January 9, 2017, Monday @ 1:00 PM, YFO Conference Room
- New Proposals in by COB Tuesday, January 3, 2017, due to the New Year's Holiday.

2017 Future Meeting Schedule:

- Feb 6; Mar 6; Apr 3; May 1; June 5; July 10; all on Monday @1:00 PM

Meeting was adjourned.