WATER TRANSFER WORKING GROUP PROJECT DESCRIPTION

APPLICATION NO./COURT CLAIM NO. Emergency drought use mitigated by CS4-84594-J (SMID Water Bank)		
APPLICANT NAME: Roza Irrigation District	CONTACT NAME Sage Park	TELEPHONE NO. 509-840-1584
WATER RIGHT HOLDER'S NAME (if different)		EMAIL spark@roza.org

DATE OF APPLICATION March 20, 2025	PRIORITY DATE January 26, 1887 (SMID's mitigation priority date)

WATER SOURCE: Yakima River, Roza Irrigation Districts Point of Diversion	CROP: Many different crops are grown within the district, including but not limited to – orchards, blueberries, row crops, hay, triticale, corn, grapes, hops
INSTANTANEOUS QUANTITY: 1,193 cfs maximum diversion rate dependent on target flows	ANNUAL QUANTITY: Up to 7,500 additional acre-feet based on mitigation contract
PERIOD OF USE: April 1 through October 31	
PLACE OF USE: Those irrigable lands within the boundaries of the Roza Irrigation District.	PURPOSE OF USE: Irrigation for 72,600 acres
IRRIGATION METHOD: There are multiple irrigation methods on the Roza Irrigation District, including but not limited to, drip, overhead, circle. This water will be conveyed through the Roza Canal System.	

CONSUMPTIVE USE CALCULATION: N/A: The mitigation water is all consumptive. Roza is diverting that quantity from the Yakima River and adding it to the canal delivery system. A consumptive use calculation isn't needed.

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: Roza Irrigation District purchased 7,500 acre-feet of Selah-Moxee Irrigation Districts senior water right for the 2025 irrigation season. The water will be diverted at the Roza Canal intake and will be used throughout the irrigation season to either supplement water delivered during the hottest days and/or extend the irrigation season to October 1. This is an upstream move, but minimum target flows will be maintained. The Roza diversion has better controls than the existing diversion. Roza received an emergency drought authorization from Ecology and a thumbs up from WTWG in 2024 for 6,500 ac-ft of water with mitigation from the SMID bank.

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