2024-04

WATER TRANSFER WORKING GROUP PROJECT DESCRIPTION

APPLICATION NO./COURT CLAIM NO.		
S4-33332-24/Court Claim No.	01752	
APPLICANT NAME	CONTACT NAME	TELEPHONE NO.
Roza Irrigation District	Sage Park	509-840-1584
WATER RIGHT HOLDER'S NAME (if diff	erent)	EMAIL
Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District (SVID)		spark@roza.org

DATE OF APPLICATION	PRIORITY DATE
4/15/2024	May 10, 1905

WATER SOURCE: Yakima River	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 5,000 acre-feet based on amount available to lease from SVID growers
PERIOD OF USE:	
May 1, 2024 – October 31, 2024	
PLACE OF USE: Those irrigable lands within	PURPOSE OF USE:
the boundaries of the Roza Irrigation District.	Irrigation for 72,600 acres
IRRIGATION METHOD:	
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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:

The leased water's use is for the same purpose of use and both districts have similar crop types. A consumptive use calculation isn't needed for this emergency authorization. It wasn't done in the 2015 OPL.

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:

Roza Irrigation District is leasing up to 5,000 acre-feet of water from Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District (SVID).

This is an upstream point of diversion change for the 2024 irrigation season only. Water will be moved from the SVID point of diversion to the Roza point of diversion. A similar change was approved through the Aquavella court in, 1994, 2001, 2005 and 2015 under an Order Pende Lite. Minimum Instream Flows in the Roza Reach will be met.

In April of 2024, SVID ran an application process for their growers to fallow lands to transfer water to Roza. The following criteria are required for a SVID grower to participate: a minimum of 3 acres of land, the land had to be irrigated the previous irrigation season (2023), and once enrolled in the program, the lands must be fallowed. Water cannot be applied to participating lands from any source. Compliance will be monitored by SVID.

The volume of water temporarily transferred will be adjusted according to the level of proation required in the Sunnyside Divion. The water volumes will be reviewed and adjusted monthly or more frequently based on the adjusted Sunnyside diversions from the Yakima River.

It is anticipated that the water will be used at the end of the irrigation season in order to stretch the season out as long as possible. Again, target flows in the Roza Reach will be met.

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