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September 5, 2013

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Mr. John Stahl
Stahl Hutterian Brethren Trust
1485 North Hoffman Road
Ritzville, Washington 99169

RE: State - Artificially Stored Groundwater Permit No. QB-206(H)
Federal – Water Service Contract No. 9-07-16-W4180
WRIA 41 – Grant County – Quincy Groundwater Management Subarea

Dear Mr. Stahl:

On April 29, 2013 our office received an Application for Change/Transfer under the above referenced permit. QB-206(H) is owned by David & Joyce Adams, who have sold the water permit to you. Katherine Ryf of this office reviewed the request with Mrs. Adams and John Stahl. Based on that review the request is hereby **APPROVED**.

Mrs. Ryf noted the proposed place of use has roughly 495 acres under agricultural irrigation production. QB-0250 authorizes 480 acres and QB-0206(H) will add an additional 20 acres; for a total of 500 acres.

Enclosed is QB-206(H) authorizing Artificially Stored Groundwater within the Quincy Groundwater Management Subarea. Pursuant to Chapter 43.21B.310 RCW this decision is an appealable action. The appeal procedures are described in the Permit.

A Water Well Report form, found online at <http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/wellog/forms.asp>, shall be completed and returned to Ecology after you have constructed any authorized wells. I encourage you to visit <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/wells/owner.html>, Ecology's well construction website which is designed to help property owners make informed decisions prior to drilling a new well.

Although this permit is not provisioned to require the installation of gauges or other measurement devices it is suggested one be installed where water is withdrawn to determine how much water is being used.

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Chapter 173-134A-080(2)(h) WAC states that no permit shall authorize the withdrawal of waters for agricultural irrigation use for more acres than authorized by federal reclamation law. It is the water users' responsibility to work with Reclamation to comply with this rule.

Future correspondence concerning the above should refer to Artificially Stored Groundwater Permit No. QB-206(H). Please direct all questions to:

Ecology: Katherine.Ryf@ecy.wa.gov; Spokane office 509-329-3586
Reclamation: Paula Chapel, MChapel@usbr.gov; Ephrata office 509-754-0225

In an effort to keep our records current, please notify our office of changes such as contact information (phone, address, etc.), property ownership, or variations in water use.

Sincerely,



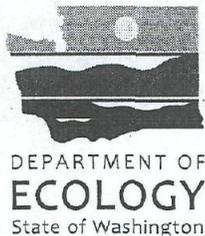
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Enclosures: QB-0206(H) ASGW Permit & Exhibit A Map

cc: Ms. Paula Chapel, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, P.O. Box 815, Ephrata, WA 98823
David & Joyce Adams, 340 J Road SE, Coulee City, WA 99115 (cover letter only)
RSS: Quincy Columbia Basin Irrigation District, P.O. Box 188, Quincy, WA 98848



**WATER RESOURCES PROGRAM
PERMIT TO USE
ARTIFICIALLY STORED GROUND WATER**

**Quincy Groundwater Management Subarea
Columbia Basin Project**

Pursuant to Chapters 173-134A and 173-136 WAC

This water use permit is administered by the Department of Ecology (Ecology) and the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) which authorizes the use of artificially stored ground water (ASGW) within the Quincy Groundwater Management Subarea (QGWMS), subject to Chapters 173-134A and 173-136 WAC, and to the specific parameters and provisions detailed below. This permit is not valid without obtaining and maintaining a federal Water Service Contract from Reclamation, which agreement requires compliance with certain provisions of federal law and the payment of an annual fee to Reclamation.

PRIORITY DATE January 16, 1974	APPLICATION NO.	PERMIT NO. QB-0206(H)
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This permit supersedes QB-0206(H) issued November 19, 2008 per an Application for Change/Transfer from Section 8, T. 19 N., R. 28 E.W.M. that includes an assignment of ownership from David & Joyce Adams.

PERMITTEE:

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ARTIFICIALLY STORED GROUND WATER TO BE USED:

148 gallons per minute, 70 acre-feet per year, from March 1st to October 31st, each year, for the agricultural irrigation of 20 acres.

SOURCE:

Five wells; Well #1 to be no deeper than that existing on 3-17-1975 at 955 feet, Wells #2 & #3 to be no deeper than 200 feet into the basalt at 484 feet and 535 feet, Well #4 to be no deeper than 750 feet and Well #5 to be no deeper than 890 as completed on 10-18-2011; ALL WELLS shall not penetrate the top of the Grand Ronde Basalt unit. It is the water users responsibility to confirm the wells do not further exceed these depth restriction.

No further Well Depth Exemptions (WDE) will be granted without prior review by Ecology. If water availability problems are encountered, contact Ecology prior to reconstructing, deepening or redrilling said wells to a depth greater than that listed above as set forth in Chapter 173-134A-080(2)(d) Washington Administrative Code.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORK:

Drilled wells, irrigation and water distribution system.

DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE:

Complete application of the water to be made by September 5, 2016.

Chapter 173-134A(2)(i) WAC states "...Any permit under which development has not been completed may be perfected to the extent of beneficial use, and cancellation proceedings will be initiated on the remaining undeveloped portion." Ecology will not issue extensions to this schedule.

Failure of the Permittee to obtain a License/Contract Agreement with Reclamation shall not be considered a delay in the construction and complete development of this permit.

COMMINGLING WATER USE:

Ecology, Reclamation and the Columbia Basin Irrigation District administer an array of Water Service Contracts, Farm Unit (FU) Allotments, Artificially Stored Groundwater Permits and State Water Rights, including those for agricultural irrigation, municipal, industrial, and miscellaneous uses within the area of the proposed place of use, as depicted in the Exhibit A map. Washington water law does not allow for the stacking of water rights or water use authorizations. Any and all water use(s) at the proposed site locations will be evaluated by Ecology; if stacking of water occurs, the delivery of project water or the taking of water under this permit will need to be forfeited.

Ecology & Reclamation jointly administers QB-0206(H) and QB-0250 that authorize a total of 5,148 gallons per minute, 1,750 acre-feet per year, for the agricultural irrigation of 500 acres.

LOCATION OF WITHDRAWAL:

APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF WITHDRAWAL - GPS LOCATION:

1. N 47.10066 W 119.48963; within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$
To be no deeper than that existing on 3-17-1975 at 955 feet
2. N 47.09548 W 119.48972; within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$
To be no deeper than 200 feet in to the basalt at 484 feet
3. N 47.08998 W 119.49171; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$
To be no deeper than 200 feet into the basalt at 535 feet
4. N 47.08962 W 119.47142; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$
To be no deeper than 750 feet
5. N 47.09583 W 119.47381; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$
To be no deeper than 890 feet completed on 10-18-2011
Ecology Unique Well Id Tag No. AHP 721

LOCATED WITHIN (SMALLEST LEGAL SUBDIVISION)	SECTION	TOWNSHIP N.	RANGE (E.W.M.)	W.R.I.A.	COUNTY
ALL WITHIN	31	19	27 E.	41	Grant

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY WATER IS TO BE USED ON:

Grant County Parcel No. 161590000

NW¼, W½NE¼ and the S½ of Sec. 31, T. 19 N., R. 27 E.W.M., Grant County, Washington as depicted in the Exhibit A map.

Site Address 500 NE Road A

PROVISIONS:

This permit is subject to the water management regulations of Chapter 173-134A WAC which includes, but is not limited to the following:

1. The authorization to use artificially stored ground water in the Quincy Ground Water Sub-area is subject to regulation for the purpose of (a) protecting all rights to the use of public waters; (b) protecting the right of the Bureau of Reclamation; (c) protect the usability of ground-water withdrawal facilities of the Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Department of the Interior, which facilities are used to convey water to Potholes Reservoir; (d) to prohibit interference in any manner with the furnishing of adequate supplies of both surface and ground water for satisfying present and future needs of the Columbia Basin Project from the Potholes Reservoir facility of the Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Department of the Interior; and (e) to protect to the maximum extent possible, consistent with rights and interest in the ground waters of the Quincy Ground Water Sub-area, wildlife, recreation, and other values associated with the general public interest in the groundwater in the sub-area.
2. Failure of the permittee to comply with terms of an executed agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Department of Interior, which agreement is a requirement of this permit, shall constitute grounds to suspend or terminate this permit.
3. The installation of an access port for measuring the depth to water or a pressure gage to measure the shut-in pressure of flowing wells shall be required on the completed well or wells. The permittee may, for his own convenience, wish to install an airline and gage in addition to the access port.
4. All water wells constructed within the state shall meet the minimum standards for construction and maintenance as provided under chapter 18.104 RCW and chapter 173-160 WAC.
5. In times of shortage of water available to satisfy all ground-water withdrawals authorized under WAC 173-134A-080(2), the Department of Ecology shall reduce withdrawals in order of the Quincy Basin priority number assigned on the face of this permit, with the highest priority number being regulated against first. (WAC 173-134A-080(2)).
6. This permit does not establish or embody rights to ground water as provided by RCW 90.44.050 and RCW 90.44.060.

7. This permit authorizes a water duty of not more than 3.5 acre-feet per calendar year for each acre of land authorized to be irrigated. After development has been completed and permittee has identified his annual usage and the total number of acres actually irrigated to the satisfaction of the Department of Ecology, permittee is not precluded in future years from beneficial use of his total annual allocation on a lesser number of acres if necessary to satisfy the water requirement of a particular crop.
8. By accepting this permit, the permittee consents to provide for inspection, monitoring, entry, and reporting of data by or to the Department of Ecology and the Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Department of the Interior.
9. This permit is subject to termination or modification, through issuance of supplement orders of the Department of Ecology, for good cause, including but not limited to:
 - a. Violation of a permit condition;
 - b. Obtaining a permit by misrepresentation or failure to fully disclose all relevant facts; and
 - c. The receipt of new facts or information that dictate that termination or modification of this permit is necessary to comply with the objectives of chapter 173-134A-WAC.
10. The permit only authorizes water to be used for the purposes stated on the lands described above. This permit may be amended to allow for a change in place of use if it can be proven that the original land description was erroneous. This permit is also subject to amendment as to place of use or purpose of use if development and irrigation pursuant to the authority granted hereby has taken place. No amendment can be made without application to and approval of the Department of Ecology.
11. The wells shall be completed within the shallow management unit and are each uniquely restricted as described in this permit. The depth of the wells in any event shall not penetrate the top of the Grand Ronde Basalt unit. (WAC 173-134A-080(2)(d)).
12. The Landowner assumes responsibility, during the life of this Permit, for disposal of irrigation runoff in connection with irrigating farming of the described land so as not to damage Project facilities or other properties. Failure of the Landowner to properly dispose of irrigation runoff may result in Permit termination, after the District or United States giving reasonable notice and opportunity to comply therewith. The Landowner shall be liable for any and all damage to the property of the United States, or of any third parties, by reason of the exercise of the privileges conferred by this Permit.
13. In the event that a Water Service Contract (WSC) or agreement is obtained for this project from either Ecology, Reclamation or one of the Columbia Basin Irrigation Districts this water permit may be subject to cancellation.
14. This development schedule requires that water be put to beneficial use within three (3) years from date of permit issuance. Cancellation proceedings will be initiated on the remaining undeveloped portion at the end of the three-year schedule, due **September 5, 2016**. Ecology does not issue extensions for setting a new development schedule under QGWMS - ASGW Permits.

APPEAL PROCEDURES:

Pursuant to Chapter 43.21B.310 RCW this water use permit decision is an appealable action.

YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to appeal this permit to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this decision. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal you must do all of the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this permit decision:

- File your appeal and a copy of this permit decision with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this permit decision on Ecology in paper form - by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

ADDRESS AND LOCATION INFORMATION

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503	Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608
Pollution Control Hearings Board 1111 Israel Road SW, Ste. 301 Tumwater, WA 98501	Pollution Control Hearings Board PO Box 40903 Olympia, WA 98504-0903

Signed at Spokane, Washington, on September 5, 2013.

Department of Ecology,
Eastern Regional Office

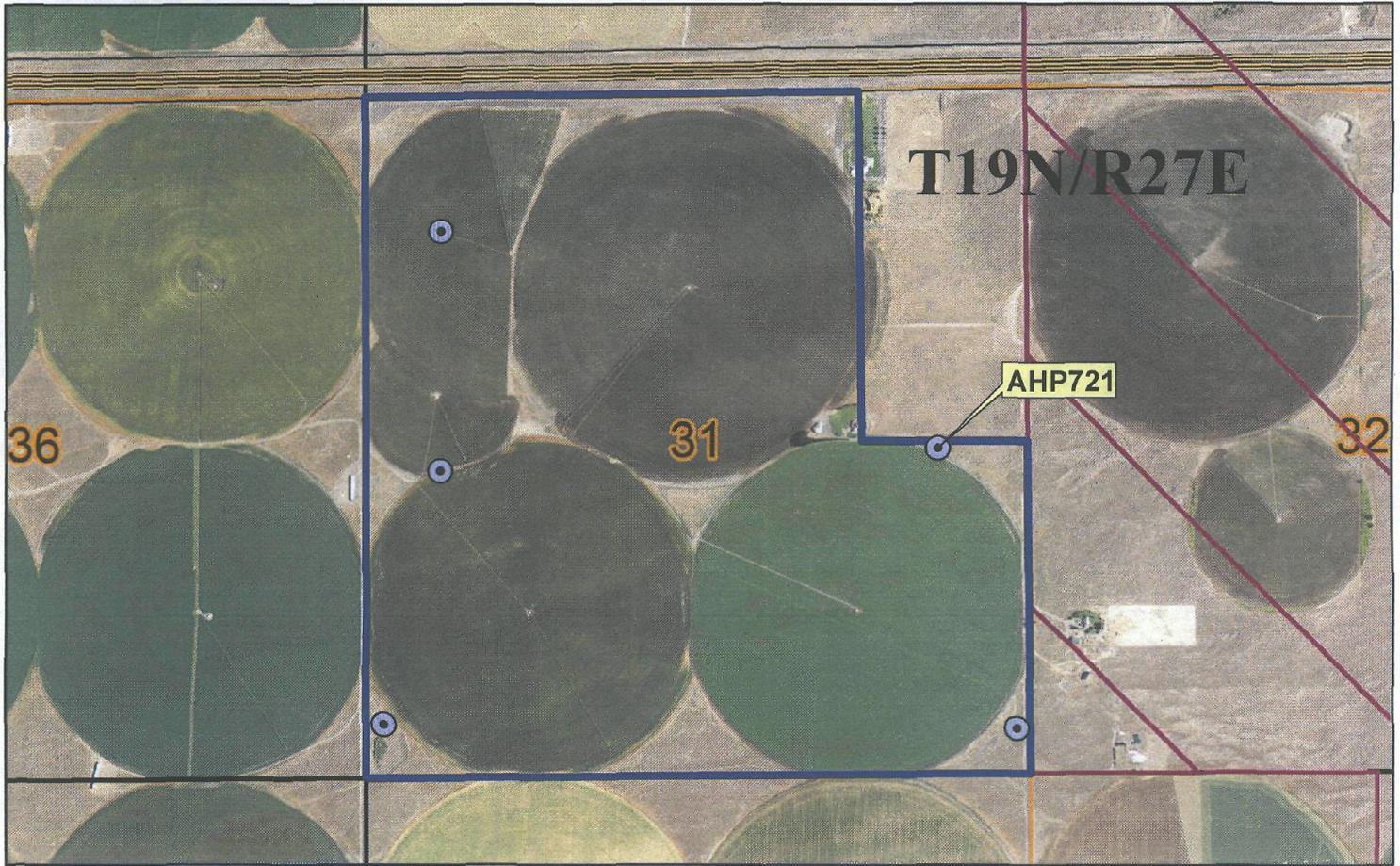
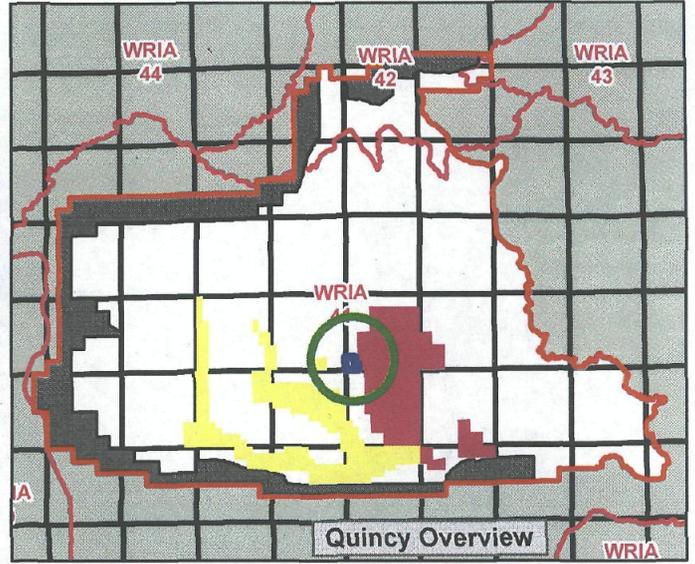
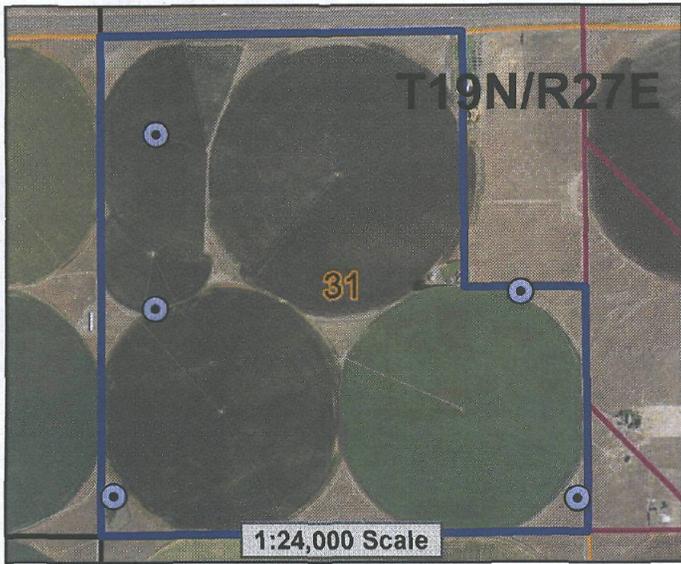

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Section Manager

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Exhibit A



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T19NR27E, GRANT COUNTY WA, WRIA 41

	Point of Withdrawal		Township		Quincy Buffer Zone
	Place of Use		Section		Quincy Grey Area
			WRIA		Potholes Reservoir & Storage Area
					Quincy Basin Groundwater Management Subarea

Map based on Quincy Basin
Permit 9/5/2013

2011 Aerial Photo

