



State of Washington
**REPORT OF EXAMINATION
 FOR WATER RIGHT CHANGE**

PRIORITY DATE
 December 27, 1993

WATER RIGHT NUMBER
 G3-29657P

NAME & ADDRESS
 STEVENS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
 PO BOX 592
 LOON LAKE 99148-0592

Total Quantity Authorized for Withdrawal

WITHDRAWAL RATE	UNITS	ANNUAL QUANTITY (AF/YR)
1000	GPM	666

Purpose

PURPOSE	WITHDRAWAL RATE		UNITS	ANNUAL QUANTITY (AF/YR)		PERIOD OF USE (mm/dd)
	ADDITIVE	NON-ADDITIVE		ADDITIVE	NON-ADDITIVE	
MUNICIPAL	1000	---	GPM	666	---	01/01 - 12/31
PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM INFORMATION			WATER SYSTEM ID		CONNECTIONS	
SUNCREST			85202V		Unspecified number	

Source

SOURCE	COUNTY	WATERBODY	WATER RESOURCE INVENTORY AREA
Twelve (12) wells	STEVENS	GROUNDWATER	54 - LOWER SPOKANE

Source Location

Source Name	Parcel #	Well Tag	Twp	Rng	Sec	QQ	Latitude	Longitude
Well S01 (#1)	8007826	ACW875	27	41E	26	SE¼SW¼	47.80558°N	-117.59727°W
Well S02 (#2)	8007826	ACW876	27	41E	26	SE¼SW¼	47.80562°N	-117.59695°W
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Place of Use (See Attached Map)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF AUTHORIZED PLACE OF USE

Area served by Stevens County Public Utility District No. 1. The place of use (POU) of this water right is the service area described in the most recent Water System Plan/Small Water System Management Program approved by the Washington State Department of Health, so long as the water system is and remains in compliance with the criteria in RCW 90.03.386(2). RCW 90.03.386 may have the effect of revising the place of use of this water right.

Proposed Works

13 wells, pumps, reservoirs and distribution system

Development Schedule

BEGIN PROJECT	COMPLETE PROJECT	PUT WATER TO FULL USE
Started	August 1, 2030	August 1, 2035

Measurement of Water Use

How often must water use be measured?	Weekly
How often must data be reported to Ecology?	Upon Request by Ecology
What volume should be reported?	Total Annual Volume
What rate should be reported?	Annual Peak Rate of Withdrawal (gpm)

Provisions

This authorization to make use of public waters of the State is subject to existing rights, including any existing rights held by the United States for the benefit of Indians under treaty or otherwise

Nothing in this authorization shall be construed as satisfying other applicable federal, state, or local statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

Low Flow

All irrigation uses shall cease when the flow of the Spokane River falls below 200 cubic feet per second in the Spokane River below Little Falls Dam as measured by Avista Corporation. Additionally, when the elevation of Franklin D. Roosevelt Reservoir is at or below 1281 feet, all irrigation under this authorization shall cease when the flow of the Spokane River falls below 500 cubic feet per second (cfs). The elevation of Lake Roosevelt shall be measured at the United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) gage located at Grand Coulee Dam. Avista Corporation measures the flow in the Spokane River below Little Falls Dam. This flow has been tentatively established from revised recommendations of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. The use of water under this permit is also subject to the continued cooperative arrangement with Avista Corporation and the Spokane Tribe and their maintenance of instream flows pursuant to that agreement. If Avista determines that protection of their senior power water right requires amendment of the cooperative arrangement, this permit will be subject to any future instream flow agreement with the Spokane Tribe or the USBR to protect Avista's interests and maintain adequate instream flow conditions for fish. The PUD will need to identify all of

the irrigated lands under this authorization in the event regulation is required under the Spokane River instream flow.

Wells, Well Logs and Well Construction Standards

All wells constructed in the state must meet the construction requirements of WAC 173-160 titled "Minimum Standards for the Construction and Maintenance of Wells" and RCW 18.104 titled "Water Well Construction". Any well which is unusable, abandoned, or whose use has been permanently discontinued, or which is in such disrepair that its continued use is impractical or is an environmental, safety or public health hazard must be decommissioned.

All wells must be tagged with a Department of Ecology unique well identification number. If you have an existing well and it does not have a tag, please contact the well-drilling coordinator at the regional Department of Ecology office issuing this decision. This tag must remain attached to the well. If you are required to submit water measuring reports, reference this tag number.

Installation and maintenance of an access port as described in WAC 173-160-291(3) is required.

Measurements, Monitoring, Metering and Reporting

An approved measuring device must be installed and maintained for each of the sources identified by this water right in accordance with the rule "Requirements for Measuring and Reporting Water Use", WAC 173-173, which describes the requirements for data accuracy, device installation and operation, and information reporting. It also allows a water user to petition the Department of Ecology for modifications to some of the requirements.

Department of Health Requirements

Prior to any new construction or alterations of a public water supply system, the State Board of Health rules require public water supply owners to obtain written approval from the Office of Drinking Water of the Washington State Department of Health. Please contact the Office of Drinking Water prior to beginning (or modifying) your project at DOH/Division of Environmental Health, 16201 E. Indiana Avenue, Suite 1500, Spokane Valley, WA 99216, (509) 329-2100.

Water Use Efficiency

Use of water under this authorization will be contingent upon the water right holder's maintenance of efficient water delivery systems and use of up-to-date water conservation practices consistent with established regulation requirements and facility capabilities.

Proof of Appropriation

The water right holder must file the notice of Proof of Appropriation of water (under which the certificate of water right is issued) when the permanent distribution system has been constructed and the quantity of water required by the project has been put to full beneficial use. The certificate will reflect the extent of the project perfected within the limitations of the water right. Elements of a proof inspection may include, as appropriate, the source(s), system instantaneous capacity, beneficial use(s), annual quantity, place of use, and satisfaction of provisions.

Schedule and Inspections

Department of Ecology personnel, upon presentation of proper credentials, will have access at reasonable times, to the project location, and to inspect at reasonable times, records of water use, wells, diversions, measuring devices and associated distribution systems for compliance with water law.

Real Estate Excise Tax

This decision may indicate a Real Estate Excise Tax liability for the seller of water rights. The Department of Revenue has requested notification of potentially taxable water right related actions, and therefore will be given notice of this decision, including document copies. Please contact the state Department of Revenue to obtain specific requirements for your project. Phone: (360) 570-3265. The mailing address is: Department of Revenue, Real Estate Excise Tax, PO Box 47477, Olympia, WA 98504-7477. Internet: <http://dor.wa.gov/>. E-mail: REETSP@DOR.WA.GOV.

Findings of Facts

Upon reviewing the investigator's report, I find all facts, relevant and material to the subject application, have been thoroughly investigated. Furthermore, I find the change of water right as recommended will not be detrimental to existing rights or the public welfare.

Therefore, I ORDER **approval** of Change Application No. CG3-29657, subject to existing rights and the provisions specified above.

Your Right To Appeal

You have a right to appeal this Order to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this Order. 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 the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of the Order.

File your appeal and a copy of this Order 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 Order 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.

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, this XX day of July, 2015.

Keith L. Stoffel
 Section Manager
 Water Resources Program

For additional information visit the Environmental Hearings Office Website: <http://www.eho.wa.gov>. To find laws and agency rules visit the Washington State Legislature Website: <http://www1.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser>.

INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT

WASHINGTON STATE - DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY
 Water Resources Program - Eastern Regional Office
 Water Right Control Number CG3-29657
 Ground Water Permit G3-29657P

BACKGROUND

An application for change/transfer was submitted by the Stevens County Public Utility District No. 1 (PUD) of Loon Lake, Washington, to the Department of Ecology on November 13, 2013. The PUD proposes to change three (3) points of withdrawal, add nine (9) points of withdrawal. An additional well was added under RCW 90.44.100 (Showing of Compliance) within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 16, T. 27 N., R. 41 E.W.M. This brings the total points of withdrawal to 13 wells. The PUD also proposes to change the place of use as granted under Ground Water Permit No. G3-29657P.

Ground Water Permit No. G3-29657P serves the PUD's "Spokane Lake Park" water system. Through this change, 1,000 gallons per minute and 666 acre-feet per year is proposed to be transferred to the PUD's "Suncrest" water system. Note: The Suncrest water system has sometimes been referred to as the "Lake Spokane" water system. The PUD would like all documents to identify the system as Suncrest.

EXISTING Water Right Attributes

Recorded Name:	Public Utility District No. 1 of Stevens County
Priority Date:	December 27, 1993
Source	3 wells
GPM	1000
AF/YR	1000 (666 primary; 334 supplemental)
Purpose of use	Municipal supply
Place of Use	Area served by Public Utility District No. 1 of Stevens County
County	Spokane
WRIA	54 – Lower Spokane

Source	Parcel #	Well Tag	Twp	Rng	Sec	QQ	Latitude	Longitude
Well S04 (#3)	---	ACB861	27N	42E	31	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	47.79439°N	-117.54047°W
Well S03 (#4)	---	ACW882	27N	42E	31	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	47.79438°N	-117.54049°W
Well S01 (#5)	---	ACW880	27N	42E	31	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	<i>decommissioned</i>	---

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REQUESTED Water Right Attributes

Applicant Name:	Stevens County Public Utility District No. 1
Date of Application:	November 13, 2013
Source	12 wells
GPM	1000
AF/YR	666
Purpose of use	Municipal supply
Place of Use	Area served by Stevens County Public Utility District No. 1

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Legal Requirements for Proposed Change

The following is a list of requirements that must be met prior to authorizing the proposed change.

Public Notice

RCW 90.03.280 requires that notice of a water right application be published once a week, for two consecutive weeks, in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the water is to be stored, diverted and used. Notice of this application was published in the Spokesman Review on December 16 and 23, 2013. No protests were received.

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)

A water right application is subject to a SEPA threshold determination (i.e., an evaluation whether there are likely to be significant adverse environmental impacts) if any one of the following conditions are met.

- (a) It is a surface water right application for more than 1 cubic foot per second, unless that project is for agricultural irrigation, in which case the threshold is increased to 50 cubic feet per second, so long as that irrigation project will not receive public subsidies;
- (b) It is a groundwater right application for more than 2,250 gallons per minute;

- (c) It is an application that, in combination with other water right applications for the same project, collectively exceed the amounts above;
- (d) It is a part of a larger proposal that is subject to SEPA for other reasons (e.g., the need to obtain other permits that are not exempt from SEPA);
- (e) It is part of a series of exempt actions that, together, trigger the need to do a threshold determination, as defined under WAC 197-11-305.

Because this application does not meet any of these conditions, it is categorically exempt from SEPA and a threshold determination is not required.

Water Resources Statutes and Case Law

RCW 90.03.380(1) states that a water right that has been put to beneficial use may be changed. The point of diversion, place of use, and purpose of use may be changed if it would not result in harm or injury to other water rights.

The Washington Supreme Court has held that Ecology, when processing an application for change to a water right, is required to make a tentative determination of extent and validity of the claim or right. This is necessary to establish whether the claim or right is eligible for change. *R.D. Merrill v. PCHB* and *Okanogan Wilderness League v. Town of Twisp*.

RCW 90.44.100 allows Ecology to amend a ground water permit to (1) allow the user to construct a replacement or additional well at a new location outside of the location of the original well, or to (2) change the manner or place of use of the water, if:

- (a) The additional or replacement well taps the same body of public ground water as the original well. RCW 90.44.100(2)(a),
- (b) Where a replacement well is approved, the user must discontinue use of the original well and properly decommission the original well. RCW 90.44.100(2)(b),
- (c) Where an additional well is constructed, the user may continue to use the original well, but the combined total withdrawal from all wells shall not enlarge the right conveyed by the original permit or certificate. RCW 90.44.100(2)(c),
- (d) Other existing rights shall not be impaired. RCW 90.44.100(2)(d).

When changing or adding points of withdrawal to groundwater rights (RCW 90.44.100), or when consolidating exempt wells with an existing permit or certificate (RCW 90.44.105), the wells must draw from the *same body of public groundwater*. Indicators that wells tap the *same body of public groundwater* include:

- (a) Hydraulic connectivity.
- (b) Common recharge (catchment) area.
- (c) Common flow regime.
- (d) Geologic materials that allow for storage and flow, with recognizable boundaries or effective barriers to flow.

RCW 90.03.386(2) states that a municipal water supplier may change its service area through the water system plan approval process. As long as the municipal water supplier is in compliance with the approved plan, the place of use for the water right is the service area of the plan.

INVESTIGATION

In considering the proposed application, the investigation included, but was not limited to:

- Appropriate Washington State RCW's and WAC's
- Ground Water Permit No. G3-29657P
- Ecology's Water Rights Tracking System (WRTS) and Well Log Database
- USGS topographic maps and aerial photography
- Site visit with Tim Higgins, Stevens PUD
- Conversations with Richard C.R. Price, Stevens PUD Manager & Charisse E. Willis, Stevens PUD Special Projects Coordinator
- Review by Department of Ecology regional program staff

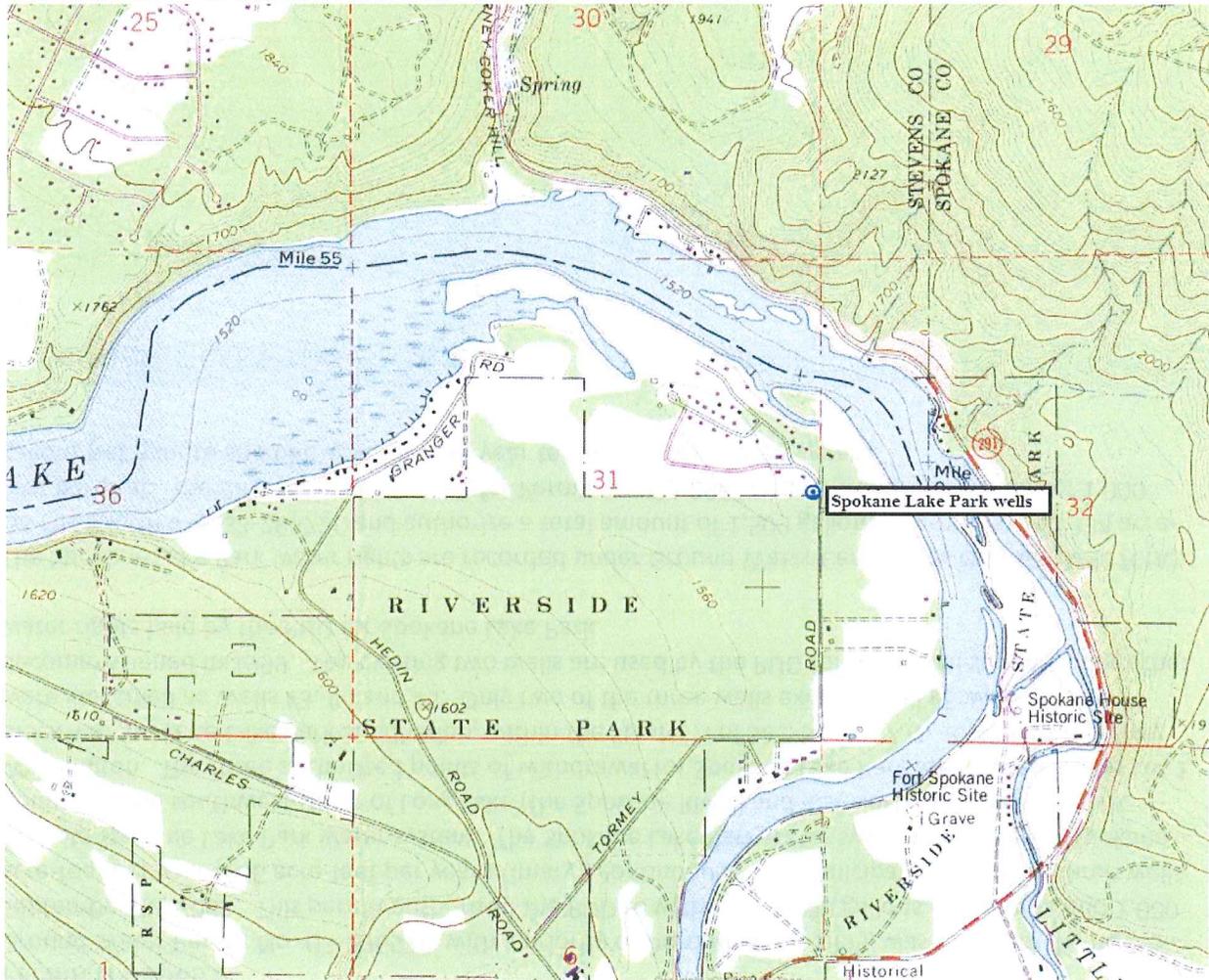
A field investigation was conducted by Gene Drury with Tim Higgins of Stevens PUD on April 30, 2015. It was noted that the project has started as the PUD has pumped water from its existing wells and water is being used for municipal supply purposes for the Suncrest Water System.

Permit G3-29657

Ground Water Permit No. G3-29657P, with a priority of December 27, 1993, was issued to the PUD on September 23, 2003. This permit authorized the PUD to withdraw 1,000 gallons per minute and 1,000 acre-feet per year (666 acre-feet per year primary), continuously for municipal supply from three wells from its Spokane Lake Park water system. The Spokane Lake Park water system is located in Spokane County on the southwest shore of Long Lake (the Spokane River) and just North of Nine Mile Falls, Washington. The three authorized points of withdrawal for Spokane Lake Park are located within Lot 1, Block 4 of Spokane Lake Park Subdivision, within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 31, T. 27 N., R. 42 E.W.M. They were identified as Wells #3, #4 and #5. Only two of the three wells exist as Well #5 was decommissioned in 1999. The existing two wells are used by the PUD for municipal supply under other water rights held by the PUD for Spokane Lake Park.

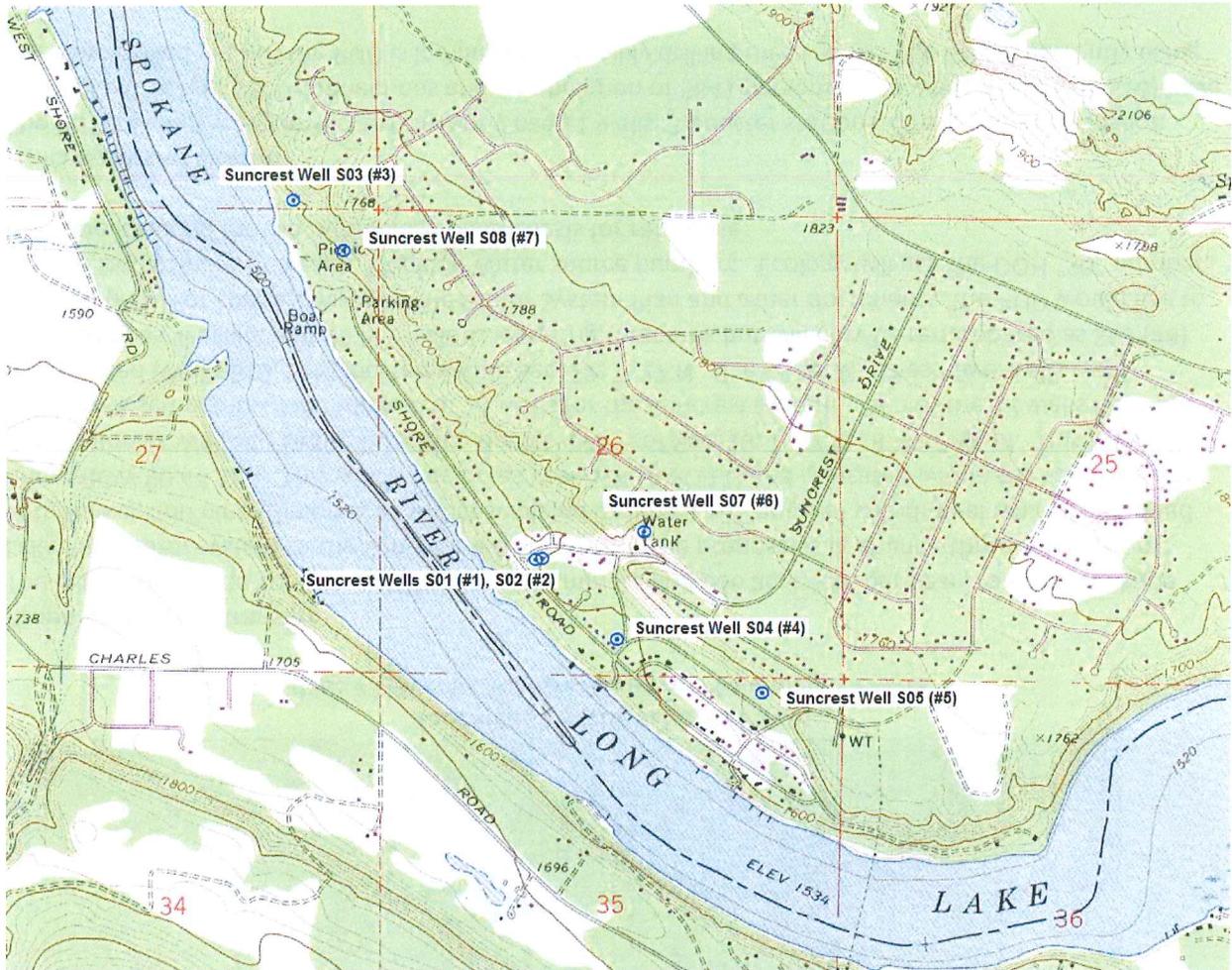
The Spokane Lake Park water rights are recorded under Ground Water Certificates Nos. G3-01587C(A), G3-01587C(B) and G3-28672C and authorize a total amount of 1,500 gallons per minute and 334 acre-feet per year. The PUD proposes to transfer Permit No. G3-29657P and primary quantities of 1,000 gallons per minute and 666 acre-feet per year to the Suncrest water system.

STEVENS PUD – “SPOKANE LAKE PARK” WATER SYSTEM WELLS



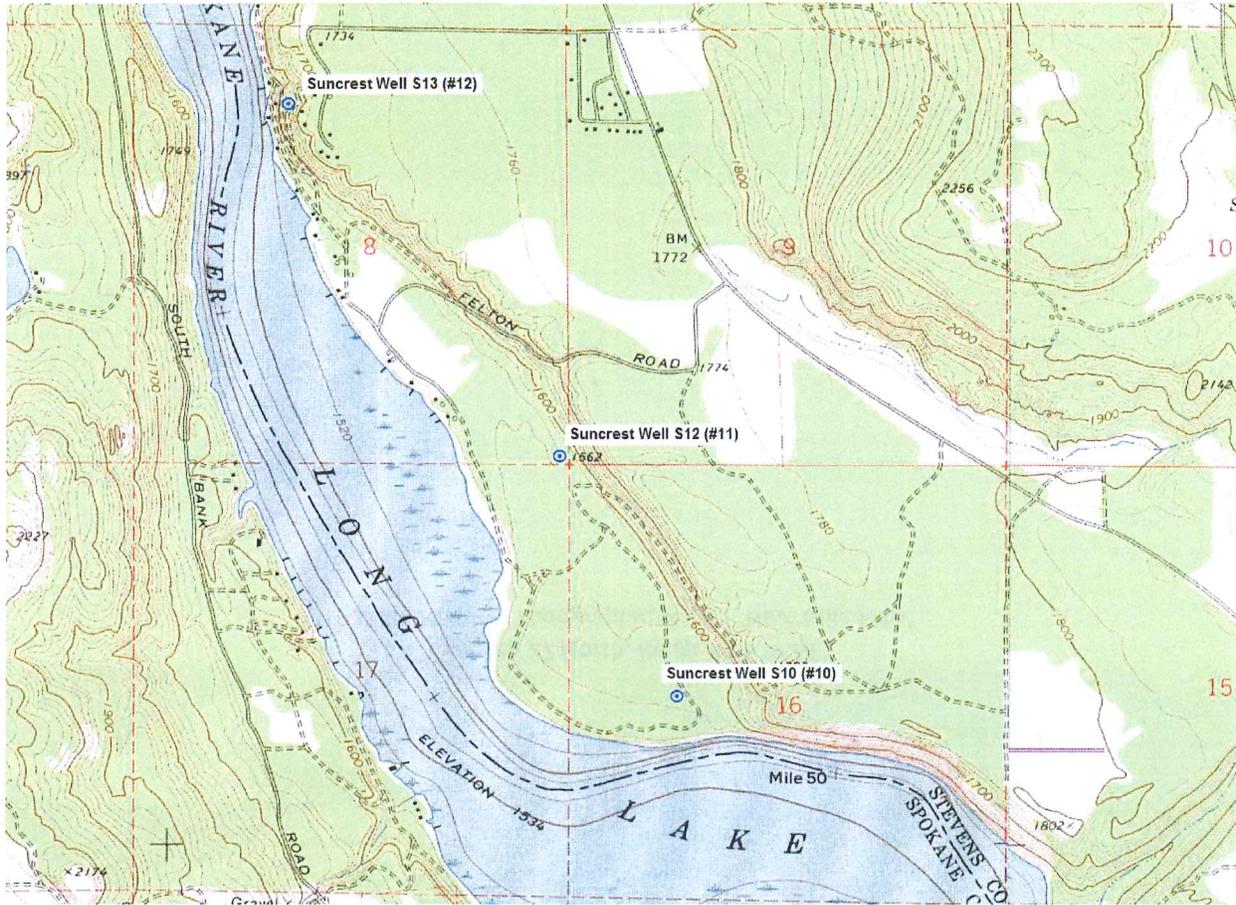
**Township 27 North, Range 42 E.W.M.
USGS 7.5 Minute (Topographic Map) - “Nine Mile Falls”**

STEVENS PUD – “SUNCREST” WATER SYSTEM WELLS



**Township 27 North, Range 41 E.W.M.
USGS 7.5 Minute (Topographic Map) - "Nine Mile Falls"**

STEVENS PUD – “SUNCREST” WATER SYSTEM WELLS



Township 27 North, Range 41 E.W.M.
USGS 7.5 Minute (Topographic Map) - “Four Mound Prairie”

Proposed change/transfer

The PUD proposes to transfer 1,000 gallons per minute and 666 acre-feet per year from the Spokane Lake Park water system to the Suncrest water system. The proposal is to change three (3) points of withdrawal, add nine (9) points of withdrawal and include a 13th point of withdrawal which was added under RCW 90.44.100. This well is known as Well S14 (AKK111) and is located within the same legal description as Well S10 (ABR776) within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 16, T. 27 N., R. 41 E.W.M. This brings the total proposed points of withdrawal to 13 wells for the Suncrest System. Two of the 13 wells have not been drilled (Wells S15, S16) located within Sec. 22, T. 27 N., R. 43 E.W.M. These two wells were referred to as Well #8, and #9 in previous water right records but will now be renumbered as S15 (#8) and S16 (#9). For consistency with the Water System Plan and other documents, the PUD would like to use the Department of Health, Drinking Water source numbers. Ecology will use the DOH “S0” numbers but have included the old numbers in parenthesis for reference.

Suncrest Water System

The PUD’s Suncrest water system currently has 11 wells, 3 booster stations, 6 reservoirs (2.6 million gallons) and serves 1950 connections and a population of 5841 persons. Two wells (wells S15, S16) have not been drilled yet but the PUD is looking into possibly drilling these wells. The PUD is currently using

about 2200 acre-feet and has a 20 year projected forecast of using over 2500 acre-feet. The additional water under this permit will provide for future growth in the Suncrest area.

Suncrest Water System - Total Water Pumped

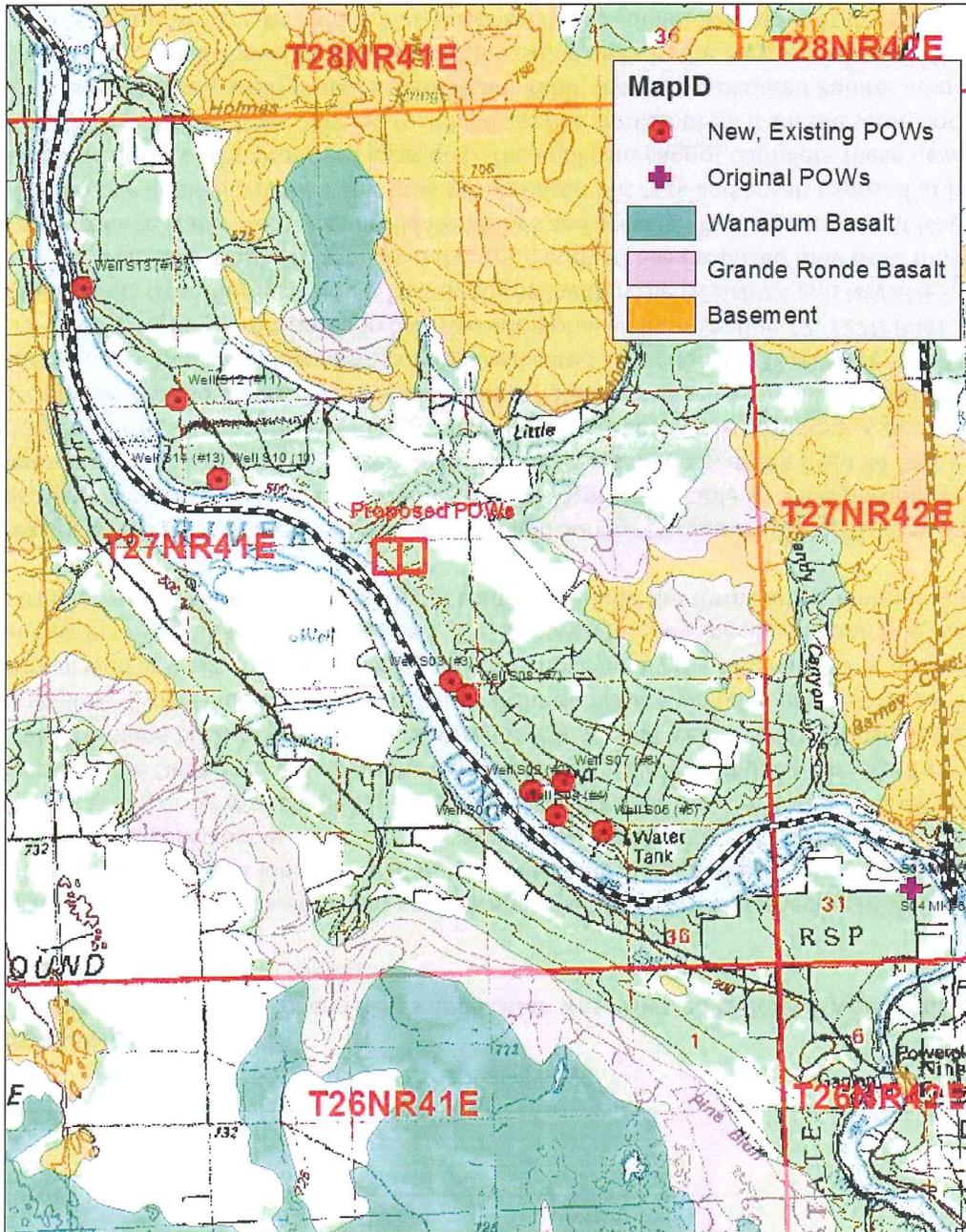
YEAR	ACRE-FEET
2008	2157
2009	2230
2010	2217
2011	1926
2012	2059
2013	2199

Hydrogeologic Analysis

The hydrogeologic analysis for the PUD’s application was provided by John Covert, hydrogeologist for Ecology’s Water Resources Program.

Applications for change of water right permits and certificates are governed by RCW 90.44.100, which states in part that: the holder of a valid right to withdraw public ground waters may, without losing his priority of right, construct wells at a new location in substitution for, or in addition to, those at the original location, or he may change the manner or the place of use of the water. Such amendment shall be issued by the Department only on the conditions that; (1) the additional or substitute well or wells shall tap the same body of public ground water as the original well or wells; (2) use of the original well or wells shall be discontinued upon construction of the substitute well or wells; (3) the construction of an additional well or wells shall not enlarge the right conveyed by the original permit or certificate; and (4) other existing rights shall not be impaired. The Department may specify an approved manner of construction and shall require a showing of compliance with the terms of the amendment.

The existing PUD wells in the Spokane Lake Park and Suncrest areas are all constructed into the glacial sands, clays and gravel and produce water from the local water table which is partially controlled by changes in elevation to the Long Lake Reservoir. The wells range in depth from 94 feet to 320 feet and produce quantities up to 3,000 gallons per minute. All of these wells withdraw water from the same body of public ground water. Three Spokane Lake Park wells which serve as the original points of withdrawal (one has been decommissioned) are located in Section 31, T27N R42E. The Suncrest system has 11 existing wells and proposes to drill two additional wells in Section 22, T27N R41E. The proposed new two points of withdrawal would be constructed within the NE¼NW¼ and NW¼NE¼ of Sec. 22, T. 27 N., R. 41 E.W.M. (see map). To remain in the same body, these proposed new wells must be completed into and produce water from unconsolidated sands and gravels. The Department of Natural Resources 1:100,000 scale geologic map for this area shows basement rock and basalt exposed at land surface to the east and north of the proposed locations. The applicant cannot complete these new wells in aquifers (if present) in either of these rock types as this would not be from the same body of public groundwater. The new wells must be completed within the unconsolidated aquifer associated with the original points of withdrawal (and all the other existing wells in the Suncrest system). The density of well logs in this area is too low to predict if an unconsolidated aquifer is present at the proposed locations.



Stevens PUD Suncrest Water System - Well Information

Well	Unique ID	Well Size	Static Water Level (ft)	Pump Hp.	Capacity (gpm)
Well S01 (#1)	ACW875	14" x 198'	6.1'	60	700

Well S02 (#2)	ACW876	8" x 182'	90'	30	365
Well S03 (#3)	ABR223	12" x 254'	60'	125	625
Well S04 (#4)	ACW877	10" x 136'	59'	50	450
Well S05 (#5)	ABR224	12" x 167'	112'	50	400
Well S07 (#6)	AAL538	14" x 320'	153'	150	950
Well S08 (#7)	ACW874	14" x 320'	153'	150	900
Well S10 (#10)	ABR776	8" x 143'	45'	30	380
Well S12 (#11)	ACW872	12" x 94'	22'	60	500
Well S13 (#12)	ACW873	8" x 197'	70'	5	60
Well S14 (#13)	AKK111	12" x 143'	49'		400
Well S15 (#8)	no tag	---	not yet drilled	---	---
Well S16 (#9)	no tag	---	not yet drilled	---	---

Other Water Rights Appurtenant to the Place of Use

The PUD currently holds a total of 14 water rights for the Suncrest Water System. With the addition of the transferred portion of G3-29657, the total will be 15 water rights. They are recorded as follows:

Stevens PUD Suncrest Water System - Existing Water Rights

NO.	WATER RIGHT	PRIORITY	GPM	AF/YR
1	6560-A	04/13/64	42	5
2	G3-00064C	02/22/71	200	6.72
3	G3-22824C	03/19/74	300	106
4	G3-24060C	11/19/74	900	266.56
5	G3-24901C	05/12/76	190	207
6	G3-25792C	12/05/77	1375	201.45
7	G3-26469C	12/19/79	(500 non-additive)*	(180 non additive)*
8	G3-29322P	04/04/92	2000	1200
9	G3-29323P	10/26/92	1000	----
10	G3-24992C	07/20/76	135	43
11	G3-25481C	07/06/77	330	27
12	G3-27491C	03/10/83	70	112
13	G3-29326P	10/26/92	400	645
14	G3-29580P	11/19/93	1000	155
	SUB TOTAL:		7942	3037.01
15	G3-29657P	12/27/93	1000	666
	TOTAL:		8942	3703.01

*Certificate G3-26469C was issued less that amount used under 6560-A, G3-00064C and G3-22824C. Therefore, G3-26469C only authorizes an additional 62.28 acre-feet and no additional gpm.

Impairment Considerations

A review of Ecology records was conducted for existing water rights in the vicinity of the proposed new PUD point of withdrawal in Sec. 35, T. 29 N., 43 E.W.M. No other rights were found that would be impaired by this change.

This proposed change by Stevens PUD will not impair the flows of the Spokane River. The proposal is to use the existing municipal supply wells from the Suncrest water system which is just downstream from the existing Spokane Lake Park wells authorized by the Ecology in 2003.

No Enhancement of Original Right

No withdrawal of water over and above what has been historically put to beneficial use and/or originally authorized under existing rights will be allowed through approval of this change.

Public Interest Considerations

There has been no public expression of protest or concern regarding the subject proposal, and no findings through this investigation indicate that there would be any detrimental impact to the public welfare through issuance of the proposed change.

Consideration of Protests and Comments

No protests were filed.

Conclusions

It is the conclusion of this examiner that, in accordance with Chapters 90.03 and 90.44 RCW, this application to change under Ground Water Permit No. G3-29657P will not enlarge the quantity of water historically authorized, nor will it impair existing rights provided the terms and conditions below are followed.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the above investigation and conclusions, I recommend that the request for change to Ground Water Permit No. G3-29657P is approved in the amounts and within the limitations listed below and subject to the provisions beginning on Page 2, and following.

Purpose of Use and Authorized Quantities

The amount of water recommended is a maximum limit and the water user may only use that amount of water within the specified limit that is reasonable and beneficial:

Qi: 1000 gallons per minute

Qa: 666 acre-feet per year

Purpose: Municipal Supply

Points of Withdrawal: 12 Wells

Place of Use: As described on Page 1 of this Report of Examination.

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Gene Drury, Report Writer

Date

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