

WATER TRANSFER WORKING GROUP PROJECT DESCRIPTION

APPLICATION NO./COURT CLAIM NO. CS4-02398CTCL@14/02398		TODAY'S DATE 02/26/07
APPLICANT NAME James Robert Decoto	CONTACT NAME James Robert Decoto	TELEPHONE NO. 509-453-6295
WATER RIGHT HOLDER'S NAME (if different) C.H. Brooks		EMAIL

DATE OF APPLICATION December 29, 2004	PRIORITY DATE June 30, 1868
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WATER SOURCE: Bachelor Creek	CROP: Pasture
INSTANTANEOUS QUANTITY: 0.50 cfs senior right 0.171 cfs junior right	ANNUAL QUANTITY: 86.13 acre-feet per year for senior right and 29.46 acre-feet per year for junior right
PERIOD OF USE: April 15 through July 10	
PLACE OF USE: Yakima County-Subbasin 23 50 acres for senior rig Russell and Cathy Wilkinson, Keneth P. Bates Jr., Cliff Dovel, Dennis E. and Carloy Herron, Lloyd Dovel, and Robert and Veronica Flake ht and 17.1 acres for junior right both beginning 1046.6 feet east of the northwest corner of Lot 3; thence south 2081 feet; thence east 1886.5 feet; thence north 2081 feet; thence west 1886.5 feet to the beginning; in Section 3, T. 12 N., R. 18 E.W.M., except beginning at the northeast corner of said tract; thence south 835 feet; thence N 80°30' west 344.6 feet; thence N 30°15'; west 888.8 feet to the north line of the Section, thence east to beginning, Yakima County.	PURPOSE OF USE: Irrigation
IRRIGATION METHOD: Wheel-line sprinklers	

CONSUMPTIVE USE CALCULATION: N/A – POD change only.

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: <p>The Yakima Adjudication Court confirmed James Decoto and Willis Decoto an 1868 priority date water right under court claim number 2398 in Subbasin 23 (Ahtanum Creek). James Decoto and Darlene Bohannon currently own property in a portion of the place of use listed on the claim.</p> <p>In 2004 James Robert Decoto and Darlene Bohannon applied to change the point of diversion for a portion of the right on Bachelor Creek located within the NW¼ NE¼ of Section 3, T. 12 N., R. 18 E.W.M.</p>

Both the senior and junior water rights are confirmed to divert water from the same point on Bachelor Creek located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 3, T. 12 N., R. 18 E.W.M. The junior right can only be exercised when the flow in Ahtanum Creek exceeds 62.59 cfs and no uses are being made of the excess by water right holders on the reservation.

The Yakima Adjudication Court, in its Report of the Court for Subbasin No. 23 (Ahtanum Creek), confirmed the same points of diversion that were certified in the previous 1925 Ahtanum Creek Adjudication. However, many water right holders are now using different points of diversion (e.g., pump sites) that were never authorized through the water right change process outlined in RCW 90.03.380. The purpose of the application described above is to request authorization for an additional point of diversion, one currently used today, under the original right.

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