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INVESTIGATION REPORT

Claimant(s): Bessie W. Lease
Court Claim #: 1504

Date of Field Examination: September 9, 1986

Examination Conducted By: F. Rajala and F. Tevebaugh

Interviewee: John Peter (neighbor)

Source of Water: Naches River via the Pacific Power and Light Canal
Tributary of: Yakima River

Purpose(s) of Use Claimed: Seasonal irrigation of 0.5 acre of combined lawn and garden.

Approximate Location of Point of Diversion: 450 feet south and 950 feet east from the west quarter corner of Section 10, within the NW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 10, T.13N., R.18E.W.M.

Description of Water Delivery System: A concrete structure with two 6 feet wide cable controlled head gates diverts water into a shallow 15 feet wide unlined canal. Water from Cowiche Creek is back-dammed near the mouth of that stream and diverted into the intake channel of this diversion. A fish screen, wasteway and an additional control structure is located about 1400 feet below the head gate. Several water purveyors and individual water users divert water from this conveyance as it passes in proximity to their places of use.

Comments: Mrs. Lease no longer resides at the property claimed herein. The current occupants do not speak English thus necessitating further inquiry to Mr. Peters, the next door neighbor. He said that water had not been pumped from the ditch for the past three to four years and that the municipal water supply is used instead. A small herd of goats (8) were penned up in the yard.