Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources

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1. File Number:	2. Status Change Date:	3. Change Num:	4. Field Office:	5. GMD:
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6. Status: ⊠ Approved ☐ Den	ied by DWR/GMD	Dismiss by Reques	st/Failure to Return	7. Filing Date of Change:
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8b. Landowner(s) New to system □	Person IDAdd Seq#	8d. WUC New to sy		Person IDAdd Seq#
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KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Division of Water Resources

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO: Files **DATE:** July 18, 2017

FROM: Brent A. Turney RE: Water Right

File No. 1,395

Kyle S. Averhoff on behalf of Noble Dairy, LLC, owner of the referenced water right, has filed applications for approval to change the point of diversion and use made of water for Water Right, File No. 1,395, filed on June 20, 2016 and November 8, 2016. File No. 1,395 is currently authorized for irrigation and stockwatering uses. The referenced water right has a total of 574 acre-feet of groundwater for both uses. The referenced file is located in the Arkansas River Basin. The referenced file number does not appear to be abandoned as per K.S.A. 82a-718.

File No. 1,395 is authorized one well (authorized 474 acre-feet) for the irrigation of a 452 acre place of use that also overlaps with Water Right, File No. 21,325, and one well (authorized 100 acre-feet) for stockwatering use at a feedlot that also overlaps the place of use with Water Right, File No. 7,554-D1. There are no overlaps in the point of diversion. The water right owner is proposing to convert an additional 110 acre-feet to stockwatering use for a total of 210 acre-feet (68.439 m.g.y.).

Based upon a power point submitted with the application, the applicant has agreed to a limited amount of 563 acre-feet per calendar year, a ten percent limitation. The authorized quantity for the referenced file will remain 574 acre-feet, however, it will be limited to 563 acre-feet until such a time the additional stockwatering quantity is no longer desired. Based upon the attached power point presentation, there will be no reduction in the number of acres that may be irrigated due to the change in the use made of water.

In a letter dated November 16, 2016, Jason Norquest, Assistant Manager of Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3, indicated that application complies with the current management program and he further recommends approval of the application at this time.

In an e-mail dated July 26, 2017, Mike Meyer, Water Commissioner of the Garden City Field Office, indicated that he is not opposed to approval of the applications.

Water flow meters are required. Check valves are required if any chemical or foreign substance is injected into the water through the diversion works

Based on the above discussion, that impairment to existing water rights is unlikely, and that no change in the local source of supply will occur, the change may be approved.

Brent A. Turney Change Application Unit Supervisor



900 SW Jackson, Room 456 Topeka, Kansas 66612 (785) 296-3556

Jackie McClaskey, Secretary

Governor Sam Brownback

August 25, 2017

NOBLE DAIRY LLC C/O KYLE S AVERHOFF 3705 F ROAD GARDEN CITY KS 67846

FILE COPY

RE: Water Right

File No. 1,395

Dear Mr. Averhoff:

Enclosed is the order executed by the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, approving the applications for change under the above referenced file.

Your attention is directed to the enclosures and to the terms, conditions, and limitations specified in the approvals for change. A condition of the approvals is that an acceptable water flow meter must be installed on the diversion works authorized under the above referenced water rights. Please return the required notification of installation of the required meter as soon as these actions are completed.

Since this order modifies the original document referred to above, it should be recorded with the Register of Deeds as other instruments affecting real estate.

If you have any questions, please contact this office. If you wish to discuss a specific file, please have the file number ready so that we may help you more efficiently.

Sincerely,

Brent A. Turney, L.G.

Change Application Unit Supervisor

Water Appropriation Program

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Enclosures

pc: Garden City Field Office

GMD No. 3

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Jackie McClaskey, Secretary of Agriculture

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCESDavid W. Barfield, Chief Engineer

APPROVAL OF APPLICATION
FOR
CHANGE IN POINT OF DIVERSION
USE MADE OF WATER AND ORDER
IN THE MATTER OF THE
AUTHORIZED QUANTITY OF WATER
WATER RIGHT
FILE NO. 1,395

The Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, after due consideration of the written applications of Kyle S. Averhoff on behalf of Noble Dairy, LLC, 3705 F Road, Garden City, Kansas 67846, received in this office on June 20, 2016 and November 8, 2016, for approval of a change in the location of the use made of water and point of diversion under the certificate of appropriation issued pursuant to the application for permit to appropriate water for beneficial use, as modified and amended by the orders of the Chief Engineer dated November 16, 2010 and April 24, 2015, approving the applications to change the authorized point of diversion, the order dated December 19, 2012, approving the application to change the place of use and use made of water, and the order of the Chief Engineer dated September 10, 2015, approving the application to change the authorized place of use finds that the changes are reasonable and will not impair existing rights and that the applications should be and are hereby approved.

The authorized quantity under this water right will remain 574 acre-feet (187.04 million gallons). This order effectively limits the authorized quantity of water to 563 acre-feet (183.46 million gallons) per calendar year. That the limitation on the quantity of water shall exist until such a time that the additional water for stockwatering use authorized by this approval is no longer required.

The effective date of the change shall be the date this order is executed by the Chief Engineer, after which that portion retained for irrigation use shall be authorized from one (1) well located as follows:

one (1) well located in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE½SE½NE½) of Section 18, more particularly described as being near a point 3,622 feet North and 45 feet West of the Southeast corner of said section, in Township 26 South, Range 32 West, Finney County, Kansas, in a quantity not to exceed 353 acre-feet (115.025 million gallons) of groundwater per calendar year at a diversion rate not in excess of 750 gallons per minute (1.67 c.f.s.),

That portion changed to stockwatering use shall be authorized from one (1) well located as follows:

one (1) well located in the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE¼SW¼SW¼) of Section 8, more particularly described as being near a point 971 feet North and 5,250 feet West of the Southeast corner of said section, in Township 26 South, Range 32 West, Finney County, Kansas, in a quantity not to exceed 68.434 million gallons (210 acre-feet) of groundwater per calendar year at a diversion rate not in excess of 350 gallons per minute (0.78 c.f.s.),

located substantially as shown on the topographic maps accompanying the applications to change the use made of water and point of diversion.

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All diversion works into which any type of chemical or other foreign substance will be injected into the water pumped from the diversion works shall be equipped with an in-line, automatic, quick-closing check valve capable of preventing pollution of the source of the water supply. The type of valve installed shall meet specifications adopted by the Chief Engineer and shall be maintained in an operating condition satisfactory to the Chief Engineer.

The water right owner shall properly install an acceptable water meter on the diversion works authorized under this water right, prior to the use of water, in strict accordance with the Kansas Administrative Regulations 5-1-4 through 5-1-12 adopted by the Chief Engineer. The water right owner shall notify the Chief Engineer when installation of the water meter has been completed. The water right owner shall maintain the water meter in an operating condition satisfactory to the Chief Engineer, at all times during diversion of water and shall maintain records from which the total quantity of water diverted may be determined. The water right owner shall also report the reading of said water meter and the total quantity of water diverted annually to the Chief Engineer. Such records shall be furnished to the Chief Engineer by March 1 following the end of each calendar year.

Installation of the works for diversion of water shall be completed on or before December 31, 2017, or within any authorized extension of time. The applicant shall notify the Chief Engineer of the Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, when construction of the works for diversion has been completed.

The Chief Engineer specifically retains jurisdiction in this matter with authority to review the approval of the additional well at intervals of no fewer than five years, and no more than ten years to determine if the total annual quantity of water actually being withdrawn by all wells authorized by the approval of application for change is exceeding the total annual quantity of water that could have been physically withdrawn if the additional well had not been approved, and based on the review, the Chief Engineer retains authority to make a reasonable reduction in the authorized quantity of water as may be deemed to be in the public interest.

In all other respects, the Certificate of Appropriation issued pursuant to Approval of Application, File No. 1,395, for permit to appropriate water for beneficial use, is as stated and set forth in the Certificate of Appropriation dated April 30, 1957, and as modified by the aforementioned orders.

RIGHT TO A HEARING AND TO ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

If you are aggrieved by this Order, then pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-1901, you may:

- 1) request an evidentiary hearing before the Chief Engineer, or
- 2) request administrative review by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Failure to request an evidentiary hearing before the Chief Engineer does not preclude your right to administrative review by the Secretary.

To obtain an evidentiary hearing before the Chief Engineer, a written request for hearing must be filed within 15 days after service of this Order as provided in K.S.A. 77-531 (i.e., within a total of 18 days after this Order was mailed to you), with: Kansas Department of Agriculture, Attn: Legal Section, 1320 Research Park Drive, Manhattan, KS 66502, FAX (785) 564-6777.

If you do not file a request for an evidentiary hearing before the Chief Engineer, you may petition for administrative review of the Order by the Secretary of Agriculture. A petition for review shall be in writing and state the basis for requesting administrative review. The request for hearing may be denied if the request fails to clearly establish factual or legal issues for review. See K.S.A. 77-527. The petition must be filed within 30 days after service of this Order as provided in K.S.A. 77-531 (i.e., within a total of 33 days after this Order was mailed to you), and be filed with: Secretary of Agriculture, Attn: Legal Division, Kansas Department of Agriculture, 1320 Research Park Drive, Manhattan, KS 66502, FAX (785) 564-6777.

If neither a request for an evidentiary hearing nor a petition for administrative review is filed as set forth above, then this Order shall be effective and become a final agency action as defined in K.S.A. 77-607(b). Failure to timely request either an evidentiary hearing or administrative review may preclude further judicial review under the Kansas Judicial Review Act.

Any request for hearing or petition for administrative review shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the attention of: Chief Legal Counsel, Kansas Department of Agriculture, 1320 Research Park Drive, Manhattan, Kansas 66502, Fax: (785) 564 – 6777.

Any request for hearing or petition for administrative review shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the attention of: Chief Legal Counsel, Kansas Department of Agriculture, 109 SW 9th Street, 4th Floor, Topeka, Kansas 66612, Fax: (785) 368-6668.

Ordered this 21 day of Quant , 2017, in Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas.

David W. Barfield, P.E. Chief Engineer

Division of Water Resources Kansas Department of Agriculture

State of Kansas

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NOTARY

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County of Riley

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 21 day of by David W. Barfield, P.E., Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture.

KAREN HUNTER

My Appointment Expires

October 24, 2018

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On this 25th day of August , 2017, I hereby certify that the attached original Approval of Change in use made of water and point of diversion, File No. 1,395, dated August 21, 2017, was mailed postage prepaid, first class, US mail to the following:

NOBLE DAIRY LLC C/O KYLE S AVERHOFF 3705 F ROAD GARDEN CITY KS 67846

With photocopies to:

Garden City Field Office GMD No. 3

Staff

.. 10: CHIEF ENGINEER Division of Water Resources Kansas Department of Agriculture 1320 Research Park Drive Manhattan, Kansas 66502 http://agriculture.ks.gov/dwr

APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE PLACE OF USE. THE POINT OF DIVERSION OR THE USE MADE OF THE WATER UNDER AN **EXISTING WATER RIGHT**



Filing Fee Must Accompany the Application (Please refer to Fee Schedule on signature page of application form.)

Paragraph Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 8 must be completed. Complete all other applicable portions. A topographic map or detailed plat showing the authorized and proposed points(s) of diversion and /or place of use must accompany this application.

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Garden City Field Office Division of Water Resources

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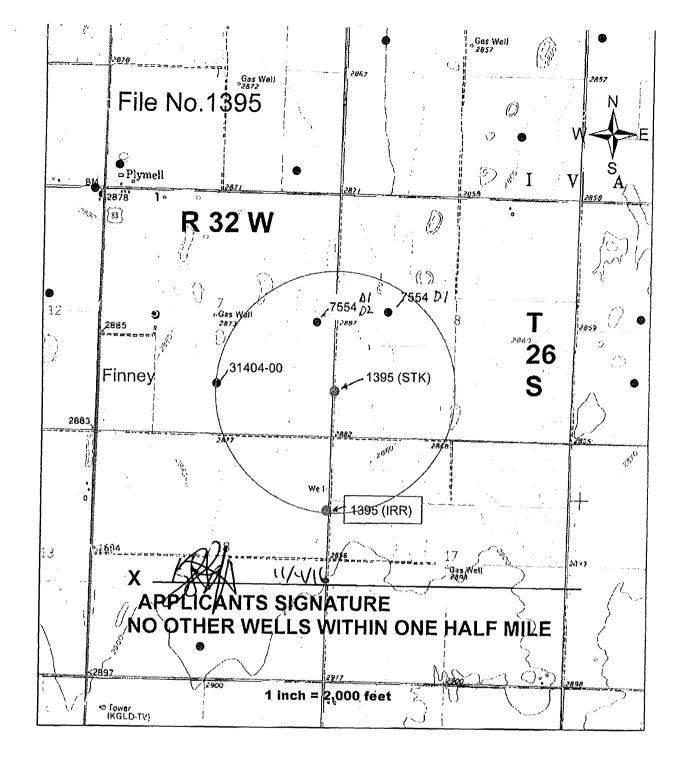
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Garden City Field Office Division of Water Resources

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Any use of water that is not as authorized by the water right or permit to authorize water before the chief engineer approves this application is a violation of the Kansas Water Appropriation Act for which criminal or civil penalties may be assessed. Such violation is a class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500 and/or a term of confinement not to exceed one month in the county jall. K.S.A. 82a-728(b). Civil penalties shall be not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 per violation. In the case of a continuing violation, each day such violation continues may be deemed a separate violation. In addition to these penalties the water right may be modified or suspended. K.S.A. 82a-737, as amended.

The application must be signed by all owners of the place of use authorized under the water right and his or her spouse, if married. Please indicate if there is no spouse. If land is being purchased under contract, the seller must sign as landowner until such time as the contract is completed.

In the event that all applicants cannot appear before one notary public, they may as necessary sign separate copies of the application before any notary public conveniently available to them. All copies signed in this manner shall be considered to be valid parts of the application.

If the request is signed on behalf of any Owner by someone with legal authority to do so (for example, an agent, one who has power of attorney, or an executor, executrix, conservator), it will be necessary to attach proper documents showing such authority.

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900 SW Jackson, Room 456 Topeka, Kansas 66612 (785) 296-3556

Jackie McClaskey, Secretary

Governor Sam Brownback

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November 9, 2016

NOBLE DAIRY LLC 3705 F ROAD GARDEN CITY, KS

RE: File No. 1395

Dear Sir or Madam:

An application for approval of the Chief Engineer to change the following condition or conditions of the file number referred to above has been received:

☐ place of use PD ☐ point of diversion ☐ use made of water

As a matter of record, the Division of Water Resources has on hand a large number of applications awaiting processing. Therefore to be fair to all concerned, and so that we can process those applications on hand in the order they were received, we intend to concentrate on the backlog of applications until the issue is resolved. You will be contacted regarding this application as soon as it has been examined.

In accordance with the provisions of the Kansas Water Appropriation Act, a portion of which is included below, the use of water prior to approval of the application is unlawful. You should not proceed and divert water as indicated by your plans in your application for a change for this file until you receive approval for this change from the Chief Engineer. Once approved, compliance with the terms, conditions and limitations of the permit is necessary. Conservation of the water resources of Kansas is required.

Section 82a-728 of the Kansas Water Appropriation Act, provides (a) except for the appropriation of water for the purpose of domestic use, . . . it shall be unlawful for any person to appropriate or threaten to appropriate water from any source without first applying for and obtaining a permit to appropriate water in accordance with the provisions of the Water Appropriation Act or for any person to violate any condition of a vested right, appropriation right or an approved application for a permit to appropriate water for beneficial use.

(b) (1) The violation of any provision of this section by any person is a class C misdemeanor...

A class C misdemeanor is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500 and/or a term of confinement not to exceed one month in the county jail. Each day that the violation occurs constitutes a separate offense.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (785) 564-6645. If you wish to discuss a specific file, please have the file number ready so that we may help you more efficiently.

Sincerely,

Brent A Turney, L.G.

Change Applications Unit Supervisor

Water Appropriation Program

BAT: dlw



900 SW Jackson, Room 456 Topeka, Kansas 66612 (785) 296-3556

Jackie McClaskey, Secretary

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pc: GARDEN CITY Field Office GMD 3

Kansas Department of Agriculture / Division of Water Resources <u>Garden City</u> Field Office

TO: HEADQUARTERS	BRENT TURNEY
RE Vested Right; Water Right;	Appropriation of Water; Application 2016905Y County
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Submit To: CHIEF ENGINEER
Division of Water Resources
Kansas Department of Agriculture
1320 Research Park Drive
Manhattan, Kansas 66502
http://agriculture.ks.gov/dwr

APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE PLACE OF USE, THE POINT OF DIVERSION OR THE USE MADE OF THE WATER UNDER AN EXISTING WATER RIGHT



Filing Fee Must Accompany the Application

(Please refer to Fee Schedule on signature page of application form.)

Paragraph Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 8 must be completed. Complete all other applicable portions. A topographic map or detailed plat showing the authorized and proposed points(s) of diversion and /or place of use must accompany this application.

1.	Application is hereby made for approval of the Chief Engineer to change the WATER RESOURCES RECEIVED	
	☐ Place of Use	
	(Check one or more) Diversion JUN 2 0 2016	
	☑ Use Made of Water KS DEPT OF AGRICULTURE	:
	File No. <u>1395</u>	
	2. Name of applicant: NOBLE DAIRY LLC	
	Address: 3705 F ROAD	
	City, State and Zip: GARDEN CITY KS 67846	
	Phone Number: (620)335-5454 E-mail address: averhoff@ucom.net	
	What is your relationship to the water right; ⊠ owner □ tenant □ agent □ other? If other, please explain.	
	Name of water use correspondent: <u>SAME NO CHANGE</u>	
	Address:	
	City, State and Zip:	
	Phone Number: (E-mail address:	
3.	The change(s) proposed herein are desired for the following reasons (please be specific):	
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Any use of water that is not as authorized by the water right or permit to authorize water <u>before</u> the chief engineer approves this application is a violation of the Kansas Water Appropriation Act for which criminal or civil penalties may be assessed. Such violation is a class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500 and/or a term of confinement not to exceed one month in the county jail. K.S.A. 82a-728(b). Civil penalties shall be not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 per violation. In the case of a continuing violation, each day such violation continues may be deemed a separate violation. In addition to these penalties the water right may be modified or suspended. K.S.A. 82a-737, as amended.

The application must be signed by all owners of the place of use authorized under the water right and his or her spouse, if married. Please indicate if there is no spouse. If land is being purchased under contract, the seller must sign as landowner until such time as the contract is completed.

In the event that all applicants cannot appear before one notary public, they may as necessary sign separate copies of the application before any notary public conveniently available to them. All copies signed in this manner shall be considered to be valid parts of the application.

If the request is signed on behalf of any Owner by someone with legal authority to do so (for example, an agent, one who has power of attorney, or an executor, executrix, conservator), it will be necessary to attach proper documents showing such authority.

I declare that I am an owner of the currently authorized place of use authorized to make this application on their behalf, and declare furticomplete. By filing this application I authorize the chief engineer to p as specified in sections 14 and 15 of this application.	her that the statements contained herein are true, correct, and
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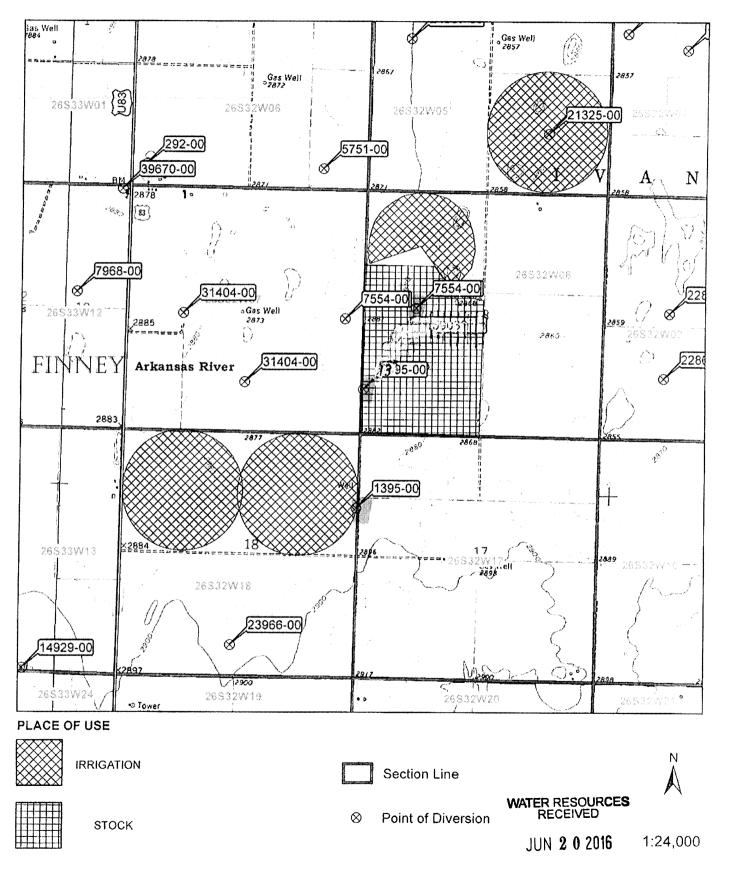
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Application to Change the Use Made of Water Water Right, File No. 1395



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Turney, Brent

From: Meyer, Mike

Sent: Tuesday, October 25, 2016 7:20 AM

To: Turney, Brent

Subject: 1395

Attachments: Noble Dairy Water Right Conversion Application.pptx

Brent

We want to amend this change app to convert 110 AF from the irrigation well to the stockwell. I will file a change app to move the PD for this process and work them both simultaneously. We will then need to modify the term to just combine the stockwells only, not the irrigation well. Let me know what else you need to amend this change app and term. Then please send me a scan copy of both to seend to the landowner for their approval or initials. Work? Also attached is more justiifcation for the 10% CU and the retain irrigation acres.

We need to talk about 14380 also

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Jackie McClaskey, Secretary

Governor Sam Brownback

August 31, 2016

SOUTHWEST KANSAS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO 3 2009 E SPRUCE STREET GARDEN CITY KS 67846 FILE COPY

Re: Water Right

File No. 1,395 Term Permit

File No. 20169054

Dear Sir or Madam:

We are enclosing a copies of the applications referred to above, received in the office of the Chief Engineer June 20, 2016, which appear to be in proper form.

We are delaying any further action for a period of 15 days from the date of this letter to allow you time to submit your recommendations concerning these applications.

Please submit your recommendation within the allotted time, or any authorized extension of time thereof. If you have any questions, please contact me at (785) 564-6645. If you wish to discuss a specific file, please have the file number ready so that we may help you more efficiently.

Sincerely,

Brent A. Turney, P.G.

Change Application Unit Supervisor

Water Appropriation Program

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Turney, Brent

From:

Meyer, Mike

Sent:

Wednesday, July 26, 2017 1:09 PM

To:

Turney, Brent

Subject:

RE: Noble

I think it is okay

Mike

From: Turney, Brent

Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 10:21 AM **To:** Meyer, Mike < Mike. Meyer@ks.gov>

Subject: FW: Noble

Mike,

Have you has a chance to review these?

Brent A. Turney, P.G.
Kansas Department of Agriculture
Division of Water Resources
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From: Turney, Brent

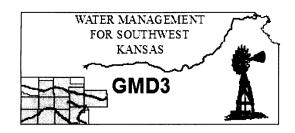
Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 8:57 AM **To:** Meyer, Mike < <u>Mike.Meyer@ks.gov</u>>

Subject: Noble

Mike,

Can you review and give a recommendation?

Thanks, Brent



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September 9, 2016

Brent A. Turney, P.G. Change Application Unit Supervisor Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources 1320 Research Park Drive Manhattan, Kansas 66502 WATER RESOURCES RECEIVED

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KS DEPT OF AGRICULTURE

RE: Change Application, File No. 1,395; Term Permit Application,

File No. 20169054

Dear Brent:

Thank you for your letter of August 31, 2016 conveying the above referenced applications. The letter described the applications as being in proper form and provides a delay of 15 days to allow any comments we may have to be submitted.

The package appears to propose a pilot flexible management proposal for the Noble Dairy, LLC. These applications contain some descriptive errors and introduce some new and/or unexplained concepts that will require a board review for management program rule waivers at some point.

Nevertheless, the package does indicate a concept for dairies generally supported by the Board based on the results of PTP reviews that occurred this time last year. To recap, Board support for considering spacing and move policy waivers fell into four basic points for this type of industry proposal:

- 1) Water right flexibility is supported to assure water to animals in such high value per gallon use;
- 2) Implement changes to dual use to secure stockwater supply surety, if needed, to managers in navigating temporary supply difficulties and regulatory compliance. Permanent changes to single use stockwater should still be required for project expansion needs;
- 3) Too much use of temporary permitting does not provide the bankable property rights that industry investments require, nor does it provide administrative consistency under the law. So use permanent change process for property right surety;
- 4) Most importantly, the board firmly believes that notice must be provided to neighbors describing what groundwater pumping limits may be changing in an application proposal.

Changes of any kind to pumping liberties or limits may raise local concerns or cause harm that should be considered in the administrative review process to avoid judicial complaints later. Private property rights should be respected. There is no indication of notice provided to neighboring water right owners with this paperwork. We considered conducting notification for our members and requesting an extension of time to respond to your letter. However, we are not in a position to correct or clarify the paperwork. So we are returning the applications for appropriate augmentation and revision and for your consideration of this letter.

Questions for this paperwork include:

- 1) The Water Right, File No. 1,395 change in use made of water does not include a change in place of use to add the Dairy. If a change in use to add stockwater is needed, then a change in place of use to add the Dairy is also required.
- 2) The term permit application suggests a use of a geo center spot among existing base water right wells. The intent appears to be to propose a project well grouping spot centered within the project P/D's. There are prohibitions for this in law where a specific diversion location is needed, as well as in state wide rules and in the GMD policy restriction on distance moves and spacing. There is no explanation of geo centered thinking provided. For example, why section 18 for a well group spot? Why not simply list the actual authorized P/D's and avoid any P/D or limitations confusion? A change application instrument may be the more appropriate administrative tool for this under the law.
- 3) Any stockwater use under the dual use change from irrigation is proposed at a 10 percent adjustment to avoid an expansion of consumptive use resulting from the changes. The 90% historic consumptive use claim for irrigation is unsupported and appears to be arbitrary and a flaw of the proposal.
- 4) The request to preserve the full original irrigation authority in the case of some future reversion or change back from stockwater has long been a concept fully supported and advocated by GMD3 and has been implemented successfully under normal changes for other dairy projects.
- 5) The paperwork appears to request automatic actions if the law changes in the future. There does not appear to be any authority delegated to the chief engineer to consider such a request.

The GMD3 Board has been very supportive of the industry needs with the points expressed in paragraph three above. The advice of our legal council is that any proposal to change existing diversion authority (i.e. the use of term permits or new WCA legislation for flexible Management) is a change application that must be subject to private property right change law in the Water Appropriation Act.

Please consider piloting the flexibilities contemplated for this package of paperwork using all regular change applications and apply new administrative flexibility for adding 100% P/D overlap and the blanket rates and quantities proposed with this other paperwork to accomplish such flexible management proposals. It is not necessary to use a term permit to consider allowing grouping of wells supplying the facility. As with other administrative approaches, additional well and other policy concerns can be addressed with the chief's order terms and conditions as contemplated with term permit paperwork. Metaphorically speaking, it may not be necessary to reinvent the wheel so much as to use the wheel in a new way. We suggest using change applications and the necessary review of the GMD board, where appropriate, for such proposals. Then appropriately condition the order of the chief engineer to avoid any appearance of circumventing groundwater management programs or the rules and opportunities applicable to all under the law.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

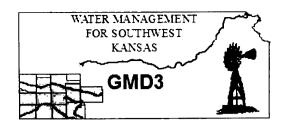
Mark E. Rude Executive Director possibility of creating a more permanent solution to offering this flexibility of the water rights so that the applicant can ensure their animal needs are met and they do not need to apply for a term permit in the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to review the application and to provide a recommendation. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Jason L. Norquest

Assistant Manager



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November 16, 2016

Brent A. Turney Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources 1320 Research Park Drive Manhattan, Kansas 66502 WATER RESOURCES RECEIVED

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KS DEPT OF AGRICULTURE

RE: Change Application

Water Right, File No. 1,395

Term Permit

File No. 20169054

Dear Brent:

We have completed a review for the above referenced applications. The proposal is partially in conflict with the Management Program of the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3 (GMD3), more specifically dealing with spacing to neighboring wells criteria in K.A.R. 5-23-3. This application was reviewed with the Board at the November 9, 2016 meeting.

A representative, Kyle Averhoff, of the applicant was available at the meeting to discuss these applications. The first aspect of the applications we discussed was the conversion of 110AF from the IRR well to STK use and moving it to the STK well under the same file number. The applicant is requesting only a 10% consumptive use reduction. This is slightly lower than the proposed county consumptive number presented by the State. The applicant provided additional information showing how the use of fresh water going through the dairy facility compared the amount then sent back out to the field in general, justifies the lower consumptive use reductions. After thorough discussion, the Board recommends the change be approved with the proposed consumptive use calculation.

The second part of the application was for a term permit that would allow the applicant to utilize their three main stock wells under one combined blanket quantity as a pilot project. This would authorize the full 310AF stock authority to be pumped in any combination of the three wells as needed to run the facility as best they can. Mr. Averhoff noted that the stock well in section 7 is an authorized point of diversion for the dairy, however, they operate that well mainly as a backup if needed for the other two wells. Looking at past pumping history, the applicant has tried to utilize the wells in an equal manner and not overuse either of the wells. This pilot project is for 5 years in order to gather information to see if the flexibility is beneficial to the dairy, while also not impairing neighboring wells. It was also noted that with the added authorization, if utilized on individual wells, spacing would not be met to a neighboring well. However, that well is also owned and operated by the applicant. Since this applicant, the Board recommends a waiver to KAR 5-2-3 and that the applicant and the State on the



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October 4, 2016

Mark Rude Southwest Kansas GMD #3 2009 E/ Spruce St. Garden City, KS 67846

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Dear Mark,

The purpose of this letter is to provide additional information, hopefully clarification and responses to your questions raised in your letter of September 9 related to several pilot term permit projects in your GMD, and your specific questions related to Noble Dairy, LLC.

This is one of a handful of pilot projects to see how this flexibility can work and allow us to learn what can and cannot work. The pilot project approach was requested by KLA and KFB because of concerns with the facilities term permit concept that has been discussed over the past couple of years. The concept we are piloting through these permits is similar to a MYFA with quantity and flexibility between wells for stockwatering facilities. Once we understand if/how the pilots work, we may abandon the project if the flexibility causes problems, or if it helps some and hurts no one, seek legislation to mainstream the concept and the opportunities it brings.

Your letter raises a number of important questions, almost all of which have been given careful consideration by our team. A number of water users involved in this pilot have, in the past, exceeded their authorized quantities on a single well or wells but did not exceed their overall aggregate authorized quantity. We have fixed these in the past with an after-the-fact term permit which is the tool that allows flexibility and authority.

We are trying to fix the overpumping problem up front with the same authority that we've previously used to fix the problem at the end of the year. We understand this is a term permit but the industry is fine with that concept knowing this is a pilot, and if successful, we will seek to modify our regulations to extend the term permit to 20 years or seek legislation to authorize a project permit like the sand and gravel industry has done. The legislative change currently being discussed would allow for "Flexible Management Plans," by modifying the WCA statute to allow for the types of changes we are evaluating in these pilot projects.

We considered change applications when we were trying to fix the overpumping in the past, as you suggest. It would be problematic to move additional quantity to a senior priority in case water right administration would occur. That is not fair to juniors and is likely not legal. Waiver of existing rules would have to be considered as well as multiple conditions and limitations would have to be built in the approval document that could eventually be overlooked when trying to implement the approval. That is the beauty of the term permit authority. It is the most junior. It is easy to understand. The industry understands and supports the concept. We have an example rule (KAR 5-16-7) to use as a guide if administration is necessary. If a statutory change is accomplished, the Flexible Management Plan becomes the most junior for the purpose of administration.

The geo-center being represented as the point of diversion is only a place holder in our water right information system. All of the PDs will be listed as attributes to the geo-center and will require metering and water use reporting.

Well spacing will be from the actual points of the diversion and we will not allow additional pumping from any PD that could impact a nearby well. The authorized diversion rate would be limited to a maximum for each point of diversion to limit any impact.

I am sorry if the justification for the 10% was not sent with the Noble applications. Kyle provided us detailed water use information on the actual animal water use and what was returned for irrigation use. We felt that was better information allowed by the current rules and it happened to work out to be 10% which could seem arbitrary.

Also as you may know by now, notices have been sent to all nearby owners of these projects. To date our office has not been notified of any concerns from the neighbors.

Once again we are enclosing copies of the applications for Noble Dairy for your review, as they now appear to be in proper form. Please submit your recommendations at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions, please contact me at (785) 564-6636.

I hope I covered your concerns. We remain open to looking for a solution. These pilot projects will give us a wealth of valuable real-world experience. Jackie McClaskey and Susan Metzger plan to attend the next board meeting in anticipation that the pilot projects, as well as, other current proposed regulations and statutory changes will be on the agenda for discussion.

Thanks,

Lane P. Letourneau, P.G.

Water Appropriation Program Manager

Division of Water Resources



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Jackie McClaskey, Secretary

Governor Sam Brownback

November 30, 2016

SOUTHWEST KANSAS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO 3 2009 E SPRUCE STREET GARDEN CITY KS 67846

FILE COPY

Re: Water Right

File No. 1,395

Dear Sir or Madam:

We are enclosing a copy of the application referred to above, received in the office of the Chief Engineer November 8, 2016, which appears to be in proper form. We have notified one nearby well owner of the proposed change in point of diversion. If we receive any comments I will forward them on to you as soon as possible.

We are delaying any further action for a period of 15 days from the date of this letter to allow you time to submit your recommendation concerning this application.

Please submit your recommendation within the allotted time, or any authorized extension of time thereof. If you have any questions, please contact me at (785) 564-6645. If you wish to discuss a specific file, please have the file number ready so that we may help you more efficiently.

Sincerely,

Brent A. Turney, P.G.

Change Application Unit Supervisor

Water Appropriation Program

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File No. 1,395 Page No. 2

You are being notified of this proposed change in the point of diversion so that you may furnish this office such comments or other information you may desire to submit. Such comments or other information must be received in this office within 15 days from the date of this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Mike Meyer at (620) 276-2901. If you call, please reference the file number so we can help you more efficiently.

Sincerely,

Brent A. Turney, P.G. Environmental Scientist

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November 30, 2016

JEANNE M KLEYSTEUBER REV TRUST 1608 E FAIR ST GARDEN CITY KS 67846

FILE COPY

, RE:

Water Right File No. 1,395

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is to advise you that Noble Dairy, L.L.C., has filed an application for approval of the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, to change the point of diversion under the above referenced file number.

The application proposes the following change in the location of the point of diversion.

from: one (1) well located in the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW1/4SW1/4) of Section 8, more particularly described as being near a point 971 feet North and 5,250 feet West of the Southeast corner of said section, in a quantity not to exceed 100 acrefeet per calendar year at a rate of diversion not to exceed 350 gallons per minute for stockwatering use, and

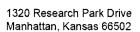
one (1) well located in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE½SE½NE½) of Section 18, more particularly described as being near a point 3,622 feet North and 45 feet West of the Southeast corner of said section, in a quantity not to exceed 474 acre-feet per calendar year at a rate of diversion not to exceed 750 gallons per minute for irrigation use,

both in Township 26 South, Range 32 West, Finney County, Kansas.

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one (1) well located in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE¼SE¼NE½) of Section 18, more particularly described as being near a point 3,622 feet North and 45 feet West of the Southeast corner of said section, in a quantity not to exceed 353 acre-feet per calendar year at a rate of diversion not to exceed 750 gallons per minute for irrigation use,

both in Township 26 South, Range 32 West, Finney County, Kansas.





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Jackie McClaskey, Secretary Sam Brownback, Governor

NOBLE DAIRY LLC 3705 F ROAD GARDEN CITY KS 67846

June 20, 2016

RE: File No. 1395

Dear Sir or Madam:

An application for approval of the Chief Engineer to change the following condition or conditions of the file number referred to above has been received:

☐ place of use UMW
☐ point of diversion
☐ use made of water

As a matter of record, the Division of Water Resources has on hand a large number of applications awaiting processing. Therefore to be fair to all concerned, and so that we can process those applications on hand in the order they were received, we intend to concentrate on the backlog of applications until the issue is resolved. You will be contacted regarding this application as soon as it has been examined.

In accordance with the provisions of the Kansas Water Appropriation Act, a portion of which is included below, the use of water prior to approval of the application is unlawful. You should not proceed and divert water as indicated by your plans in your application for a change for this file until you receive approval for this change from the Chief Engineer. Once approved, compliance with the terms, conditions and limitations of the permit is necessary. Conservation of the water resources of Kansas is required.

Section 82a-728 of the Kansas Water Appropriation Act, provides (a) except for the appropriation of water for the purpose of domestic use, . . . it shall be unlawful for any person to appropriate or threaten to appropriate water from any source without first applying for and obtaining a permit to appropriate water in accordance with the provisions of the Water Appropriation Act or for any person to violate any condition of a vested right, appropriation right or an approved application for a permit to appropriate water for beneficial use.

(b) (1) The violation of any provision of this section by any person is a class C misdemeanor...
A class C misdemeanor is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500 and/or a term of confinement not to exceed one month in the county jail. Each day that the violation occurs constitutes a separate offense.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (785) 564-6645. If you wish to discuss a specific file, please have the file number ready so that we may help you more efficiently.

Sincerely,

Brent A Turney, L.G.

Change Applications Unit Supervisor

Water Appropriation Program

BAT: DLW

pc: GARDEN CITY Field Office GMD 3 3

Noble Dairy DWR/GMD PROPOSAL

Overview of Existing Water Rights

- Water Right 1395-SW Stockwater Right With 100AF POD SW 8-26-32
- Water Right 7554-D1 Stockwater Right With 100AF POD SW 8-26-32
- Water Right 1395-IRR Irrigation Right With 474AF POD NE 18-26-32
- Water Right 21325 Irrigation Right With 260AF POD SE 5-26-32
- Both Irrigation Rights Include Identical Places of Use Covering 452 Acres Across Section 5, Section 8, & Section 18
- Map Attached Illustrating the Location of the Above Point of Diversions and Their Accompanying Places of Use

Historical Usage of Royal Farms Dairy

Year	Stockwater Pumped	Lagoon Water Irrigated	Consumed Water	Average Headcount
2011	842	443	399	12399
2012 2013	831 776	529 501	302 275	12267 12260
2014 2015	800	702 442	98	12375
Average	791	523	268	12341

Historical Usage of Royal Farms Dairy

- Stockwater Pumped Per Animal Per Day 57.2 Gallons/Head/Day
 - Estimate 6170 Non-Lactating Animals @ 20 Gallons/Head/Day
 - Estimate 6170 Lactating Animals @ 94 Gallons/Head/Day
- Net Water Consumed (Consumptive Use) Per Animal Per Day 19.4 Gallons/Head/Day
 - Estimate 6170 Non-Lactating Animals @ 12 Gallons/Head/Day
 - Estimate 6170 Lactating Animals @ 27 Gallons/Head/Day

Noble Dairy – 30 Year Permit Overview

- Permit 4 Point Of Diversions With A Dual Purpose Use (Stockwater & Irrigation)
- Blanket the Appropriated Volumes Across All 4 Wells With The Volume Not To Exceed Current Authorized Quantity On the 2 Existing Irrigation Wells
- Agree to an Upfront Consumptive Use Conservation Cut in Exchange for Long Term Water Right Flexibility (Example Calculation to Follow)

Noble Dairy – Proposed Calculation for Upfront Consumptive Use Conservation Cut

- Long Term Potential to Develop Noble Dairy Site to 14000 Animals Including 7000 Lactating & 7000 Non-Lactating Animals
 - Propose to Calculating Consumptive Use On The Following Volume
 - Lactating 7000 * 35 Gallons/Hd/Day = 275 Acre Feet
 - Non-Lactating 7000 * 15 Gallons/Hd/Day = 118 Acre Feet
 - Estimate of Total Acre Feet Consumed = 393 Acre Feet
 - · Less Existing Stockwater Rights = 200 Acre Feet
 - Leaving 193 Acre Feet Subject to Existing Consumptive Use Calculation
 - Resulting In An Upfront Consumptive Use Conservation Cut of 46 Acre Feet

Summary

- Noble Dairy Will Be Left With 888 AF Of Dual Purpose Water From 4 Points of Diversion During the 30 Years of the Permit
- At the End of the Permit, All Places of Use and Volumes Will Revert Back to the Appropriated Volumes 'Totaling 934 AF
- · Noble Dairy Will Not Pump Existing Irrigation Wells Beyond Existing Allowable Quantity
- Creates a Business/Development Friendly Approach to Managing Water Rights While Administering an Upfront Conservation Cut
- Flexibility of this Strategy Will Create Greater Efficiency in Managing the Nutrient Load of a Livestock Facility Over the Long Term

Historical Usage of Noble Dairy

Year	Stockwater Pumped	Lagoon Water Irrigated	Consumed Water	Average Headcount	
2015	199	203	-4	4293	
2016 YTD	189	180	9	4700	
Average	194.5	191.5	2.5(1.3%)	4497	

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Noble Dairy – Application Overview

- Move 110 Net AF From 1395-IRR to 1395-SW Utilizing 10% Consumptive Use Calculation Supported By Historical Data From Royal Farms Dairy and Noble Dairy
- Blanket the Appropriated Stockwater Allocation Across 2 Existing SW Wells Located on 8-26-32

PROPOSED DAIRY – WATER RIGHTS CONVERSION

Prepared by Mandy Fox

STATISTICS

- Current Water Right Appropriation = 480 acre-feet
- · 240 Base Acres
- Currently used for irrigation
- Proposed Dairy
- 4,900 Lactating Cows, 300 Heifers (maximum on KDHE permit

ECONOMIC IMPACT

New Dairy = 300 AF/Year

\$20,000,000 in milk sales

30 jobs \$1,500,000 in payroll

\$1,500,000 in local silage purchases

\$400,000 in alfalfa purchases

\$750,000 in corn purchases

Existing Water Right = 480 AF/Year

\$500,000 in corn sales (300 AF used)

1 job

Additional Water Savings with Dairy

reduced water to grow silage for dairy instead of growing grain

Savings in excess of 300 AF for 15 irrigated circles (2" less/acre/growing season

water is extracted at local processing plant and reused

waste water is collected on facility and used for irrigation

ADDITIONAL SUMMARY

- Water Right #183 After Changes
 - One quantity one well Not to Exceed 404.1 AF/Year for Stockwater
 - 75.9 AF Reduction in Water Right
 - 81 Acre Reduction in Place of Use
- Existing stockwater well (Water Right #101) provided additional 39.9 AF
- Total stockater available for new dairy 460.8 AF
- Justified Use 389.6 AF
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DRINKING								
MATURE COWS	4,900	35	GAL/HEAD		365	62,597,500	192.1	197.2
HEIFERS	300	15	GAL/HEAD		365	1,642,500	5.0	
OVERFLOW WATER		10,800	GAL/DAY		120	1,296,000	4.0	
COOLING		10,800	GALIDAT		120	1,270,000	4.0	
MISTERS		1,500	GAL/HOUR	12	150	2,700,000	8.3	
FOGGERS		85	GAL/MIN	12	150	36,720,000	112.7	
MILK COOLING		46,500	GAL/DAY		365	16,972,500	52.1	
SANITATION								
ROTARY WASH		50	GAL/HOUR	22	365	401,500	1.2	
WASH-UP CYCLE		4,000	GAL/DAY		365	1,460,000	4.5	
MILK BARN FLUSH		6,000	GAL/DAY		365	2,190,000	6.7	
OTHER								
HOSPITAL		2,600	GAL/DAY		365	949,000	2.9	
TOTAL						126,929,000	389.6	

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- · Simplified process that is very clear to current and incoming businesses
- 480 AF X 10% = 48 AF reduction
- Water right for stockwater becomes 432 AF
- Results in a 10% reduction in water right

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- · K.A.R. 5-5-9
- Base Acres X NIR at 50% Chance Rainfall
- 240 acres X 1.23' = 295.2 Acre Feet available for stockwater after conversion
- Results in a 38.5% reduction in water right

CONVERSION BASED ON ANIMAL TYPE

- K.A.R. 5-3-22 Maximum reasonable quantity for livestock
- Maximum Reasonable Quantity X Maximum Permitted Amount (KDHE)
- 4,900 Mature Dairy Cows X 35 gal/hd/day X 365 days = 192.1 AF
- 300 Heifers X 15 gal/hd/day X 365 days = 5.0 AF
- Total = 197.2 AF X 30% conservation credit = 59.1 AF Reduction in Water Right
- Water right for stockwater becomes 420.9 AF
- Results in a 12.3% reduction in water right

CONVERSION BASED ON ANIMAL TYPE

- K.A.R. 5-5-9(a)(2)
- K.A.R. 5-3-22 Maximum reasonable quantity for livestock
- Maximum Reasonable Quantity X Maximum Permitted Amount (KDHE)
- 4,900 Mature Dairy Cows X 35 gal/hd/day X 365 days = 192.1 AF
- 300 Heifers X 15 gal/hd/day X 365 days = 5.0 AF
- Total = 197.2 AF X 38.5% conservation credit = 75.9 AF Reduction in Water Right
- Water right for stockwater becomes 404.1 AF
- Results in a 16% reduction in water right

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