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Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources WAIVER REQUEST & WAIVER RULE WORKSHEET

File Number: <u>25,196-D2</u> FO: <u>4</u> GMD: <u>3</u>

WAIVER REQUEST:

UMW	Date Requested	Rule ID	Applies	Rule Type	Rule Subtype
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KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Jackie McClaskey, Secretary of Agriculture

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCESDavid W. Barfield, Chief Engineer

WAIVER OF REGULATION K.A.R. 5-23-3(a)(1)

Date: 12/29/10 Re: File No. 25,196-D2

- 1. That K.A.R. 5-23-3(a)(1) states in part, that the minimum well spacing shall be based on the authorized maximum annual quantity of water and requested for the proposed well or authorized and requested by a senior application, permit or water right, if the change in point of diversion is greater than 300 feet and does not improve the well to well spacing.
- 2. The owners propose to authorize existing wells by shifting rights between the authorized points of diversion, essentially flipping the well authorized by File No.25,196-D2, moving to the well authorized by File Nos. 4,809 &15,288 and vice versa. These wells have been determined to be1,698 feet apart.
- 3. That the 480 acre-feet authorized by File Nos. 4,809 & 15,288 requires 2,300 feet of well to well spacing per the regulation. The proposed well meets the required spacing to all other domestic and non-domestic wells.
- 4. The rights are under a common ownership and the wells serve the same place of use.
- 5. That the Southwest Groundwater Management District No. 3, recommended a waiver of part (a)(1) of K.A.R. 5-23-3.
- 6. That the waiver will not prejudicially or unreasonably affect the public interest.

Comments:

David W. Barfield, P.E

Chief Engineer

Division of Water Resources

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE **Division of Water Resources**

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO: Files DATE: December 13, 2016

RE: Water Right, File Nos. 4,809; 15,288 & 25,196-D2 FROM: Leslie Ireland

Todd Hamilton on behalf of the Hamilton Brothers Partnership, as owner of the referenced water rights have filed applications for approval to change the points of diversion authorized for irrigation use under the referenced files. The applicant was assisted by Thom Makens, Assistant Water Commissioner of the Garden City Field Office were received in our headquarters office on June 13, 2016.

The referenced water rights are considered in good standing as per K.S.A. 82a-718, and also appear to be in compliance with K.S.A. 82a-732. The division of File No. 25,196 was completed in July 2016. The applications are complete and comply with 5-5-2a, Complete change application.

The rights are located in the Arkansas River Basin in Gray County, and are within the boundaries of Groundwater Management District No. 3. The applications propose to flip the rights between the two (2) authorized points of diversion, no new wells are proposed to be completed. The source of supply for the wells has been determined to be the Ogallala Formation (Code 211) and the Ogallala (Code 211) and unconfined Dakota Formations (Code 331). The reported well depths range from 340 feet to 354 feet. It appears the source of supply will remain the same for these rights.

File Nos. 4,809 & 15,288

These two (2) rights authorized a limited to 480 acre-feet at 1,145 gallons per minute due to the limitation on File No. 15,288, from the same well authorized as being 2,748 feet North 5,021 feet West of the Southeast corner of Section 36, described as being in the SW¼ SW¼ NW¼ of Section 36, Township 27 South, Range 30 West. These two (2) rights are proposed to move to the North to the well authorized by File No. 25,162-D2. A January 2016, Compliance Investigation determined the proposed well to be located 4,162 feet North and 4,037 feet West of the Southeast corner of Section 36, described as in the SE¼ NW¼ NW¼ of said section in Township 27 South, Range 30 West, Gray County. A Compliance Investigation also determined the location of the currently authorized point of diversion under File Nos. 4,809 & 15,288 to be 2,724 feet North and 4,940 feet West of the Southeast corner. The orders will reflect the updated feet distances.

File No. 25,196-D2

The 250 acre-feet at a maximum rate of 775 gallons per minute authorized by this file is proposed to move to the well that had been authorized by File Nos. 4,809 & 15,288. It will authorize the point of diversion described as being in the SW¼ SW¼ NW¼ of Section 36, be 2.724 feet North and 4.940 feet West of the Southeast corner Township 27 South, Range 30 West.

The actual location of the authorized points of diversion are 1,698 feet apart. The proposed changes comply with part(b) of K.A.R. 5-23-3, Minimum well spacing requirements: high plains aquifer, as the approval will move the authorized diversions less than 2,640 feet. The change will move the authorized diversions more than 300 feet, therefor, per part(c) of K.A.R. 5-23-3, the well to well spacing meet the parameters of part (a)(1) of K.A.R. 5-23-3. The 480 acre-feet that can be diverted requires 2,100 feet of spacing. This is not met between the wells being changed. It does appear that each well involved in the change meets the spacing to all other surrounding wells. A waiver of well to well spacing of K.A.R. 5-23-3 (a)(1) has been requested.

The identification of wells within one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) mile of the proposed existing points of diversion completed by the applicant indicated the domestic well of Dave Koehn, located approximately 2,400 feet to the North of the proposed well under File Nos. 4809 & 15,288. Then an irrigation well under File No. 12,850 approximately 2,640 feet to the west of the well proposed by File No. 25,196-D2. These owners were contacted by letter dated September 2, 2016. No comments were received. My review found no other wells other than the irrigation wells involved with the changes as wells within one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) mile of the proposed existing points of diversion.

Other than the requested waiver between the existing wells involved in the change, the proposed applications appear to comply with the rules and regulations of the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3 (GMD). Jason Norquest Assistant Manager, indicated in his November 10, 2016, letter that a waiver of K.A.R. 5-23-3(a)(1) be granted and the applications be approved.

Mike Meyer, Water Commissioner of the Garden City Field Office was contacted for a recommendation on the proposed changes. In his email dated December 12, 2016, he indicated that as he recommended approval of the changes. He did comment that the change will allow more water to be pumped with the larger well now authorizing the larger water right. That this change has been a chasing of water from the previous changes to move these right to the current location form previously dry wells.

A water flowmeter will be required on the points of diversion and a check valve will also be required if chemigating. Information indicates the existing wells have water level measurement tubes installed and will be a condition of the approval. A WWC-5 will not be required as the wells are all existing

Based on the above discussion, that a waiver of K.A.R. 5-23-3 (a)(1) for File No. 25,196-D2 is granted, the proposed changes are reasonable, that impairment to existing water rights is unlikely and that no change in the local source of supply should occur, it is recommended that the referenced applications be approved.

Leslie Ireland

Environmental Scientist

Water Appropriation Program



Jackie McClaskey, Secretary

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

Governor Sam Brownback

January 4, 2017

HAMILTON BROS PARTNERSHIP TODD HAMILTON PO BOX 149 ENSIGN, KS 67841

FILE COPY

RE: Water Right, File No. 4,809, 15,288 & 25,196-D2

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

Enclosed are the orders executed by the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, approving the applications for change under the above referenced files.

Your attention is directed to the enclosures and to the terms, conditions, and limitations specified in this approval for change. A condition of the approval is that an acceptable water flow meter must be installed on the diversion works authorized under the referenced file number. Please return the required enclosed form, *Notification of the Completion of the Diversion Works*, upon completion of these actions.

Since these orders modify the original documents referred to above, they should be recorded with the Register of Deeds as other instruments affecting real estate.

If you have any questions, please contract Leslie Ireland, Environmental Scientist, at (785) 564-6633. 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, H.G.

Change Application Unit Supervisor

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Groundwater Management District No. 3



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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 WATER RIGHT FILE NO. 25.196-D2

FILE COPY

The Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, after due consideration of the written application of Todd Hamilton on behalf of the Hamilton Bros Partnership, PO Box 149, Ensign, Kansas 67841, received on June 13, 2016, for approval of a change in the location of the 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 March 18, 2013, June 25, 2013 and May 10, 2016, approving the applications to change the point of diversion, and by the Findings and Order dated July 1, 2016, which administratively divided Water Right, File No. 25,196, finds that the change is reasonable and will not impair existing rights, that the change relates to the same local source of supply and that the application should be and is hereby approved.

The effective date of the change shall be the date this order is executed by the Chief Engineer, after which the authorized location of the point of diversion shall be:

one (1) well located in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW½SW½NW½) of Section 36, more particularly described as being near a point 2,724 feet North and 4,940 feet West of the Southeast corner of said section, in Township 27 South, Range 30 West, Gray County, Kansas,

located substantially as shown on the topographic map accompanying the application to change the point of diversion.

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 water right owner shall properly install an acceptable water meter on each of 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.

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, quicklosing 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.

In all other respects, the Certificate of Appropriation issued pursuant to Approval of Application, File No. 25,196, for permit to appropriate water for beneficial use, is as stated and set forth in the Certificate of Appropriation dated October 28, 1999, as modified and amended by the aforementioned orders.

This Order shall become a final agency action, as defined by K.S.A. 77-607(b), without further notice to the parties, if a request for hearing or a petition for administrative review is not filed as set forth below.

Request for Hearing. According to K.A.R. 5-14-3(c), any party who desires a hearing must submit a request within 15 days after the date shown on the Certificate of Service attached to this Order. Filing a request for a hearing will give you the opportunity to submit additional facts for consideration, contest any findings made by the Chief Engineer or present any other information you believe should be considered in this matter. A timely-filed request for hearing will stay the deadline for requesting administrative review of this Order pending the outcome of the hearing.

Petition for Review. Any person aggrieved by this Summary Order may petition for administrative review, pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-708b(a) and K.S.A. 82a-1901(a). The petition must be filed within 30 days after the date shown on the Certificate of Service attached to this Order and must set forth the basis for the review, unless stayed by the timely filing of a request for hearing.

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.

Ordered this 29^{4} day of Documber, 2010, at Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas.

DAVID W. BARFIELD CS.

CHIEF ENGINEER

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David W. Barfield, P.E.
Chief Engineer
Division of Water Resources
Kansas Department of Agriculture

State of Kansas

County of Riley

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 2^{9} day of by David W. Barfield, P.E., Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture.



Notary Public

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On this 4 day of Sancary, 2017, I hereby certify that the attached Approval of Application for Change in Point of Diversion, Water Right, File No. 25,196-D2, dated December 9,206 was mailed postage prepaid, first class, US mail to the following:

Hamilton Bros Partnership Todd Hamilton PO Box 149 Ensign, KS 67841

With photocopies to:

Garden City Field Groundwater Management District No. 3

Division of Water Resources Staff

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

DWR 1-120 (Revised 06/16/2014)

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

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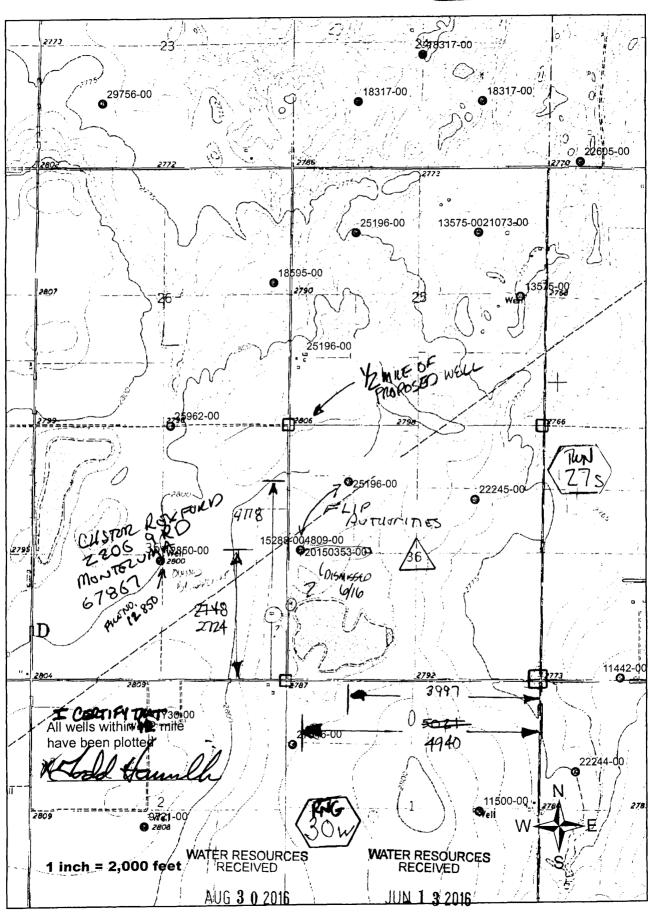
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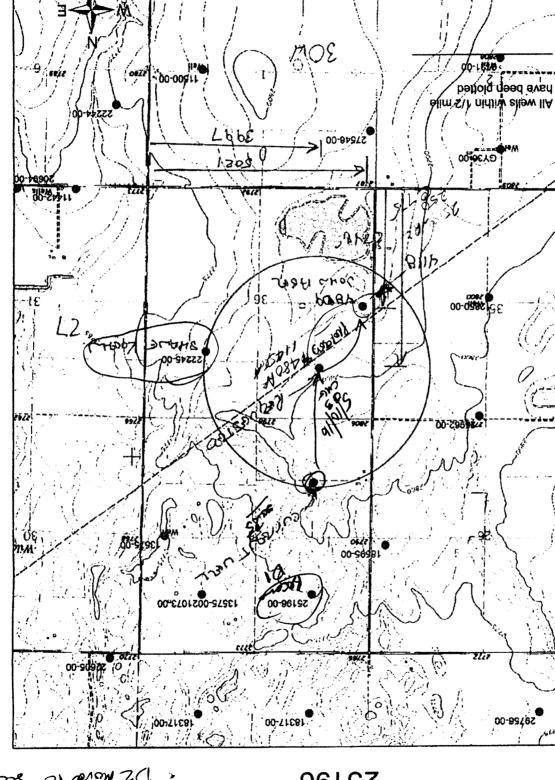
The application must be signed by all owners of the place of use authorized under the water right and his or her spouse, if married. Please indicate if there is no spouse. If land is being purchased under contract, the seller must sign as landowner until such time as the contract is completed.

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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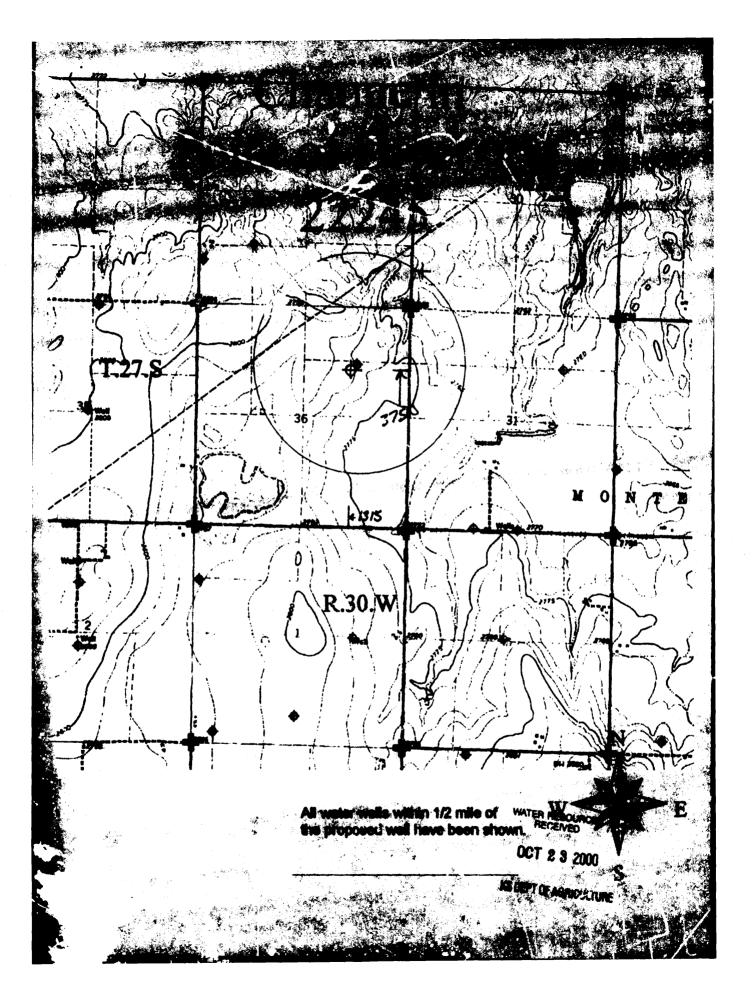
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STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

Harland E. Priddle, Secretary

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

David L. Pope, Chief Eugineer Director

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR BENEFICIAL USE OF WATER

WATER RIGHT, File No. 22,245 PRIORITY DATE April 11, 1975

Wiggers, It b. Seen determined by the undersigned that construction of the appropriation diversion works has been completed, that water has been used for beneficial purposes and that the appropriation right has been perfected, all in conformity with the conditions of approval of the application pursuant to the water right referred to above and in conformity with the laws of the State of Kansas,

Now. THEREGOED BE B Known that DAVID L. POPE, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Clark Engineer-Director of the Division of Water Resources of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture, by authority of the lows of the State of Kansas, and particularly K.S.A. S2a-714, does hereby certify that, subject to vested rights and prior appropriation rights, the appropriator is entitled to make use of groundwater in the drainage basin of the Arkansas River to be withdrawn by means of a well located near the center of the Northeast Quarter (NE4) of Section 36, more particularly described as being near a point 3,960 feet North and 1,300 feet West of the Southeast Corner of said section, in Township 27 South, Range 30 West, Gray County, Kansas, at a diversion rate not in excess of 820 gallons per minute (1.83 c.f.s.) and in a quantity not to exceed 270 acre-feet per calendar year for irrigation use on the following described property:

34 acres in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$), 34 acres in the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$),

34 acres in the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW4 NE4), 34 acres in the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SE4 NE4),

a total of 136 acres in Section 36, Township 27 South, Range 30 West, Gray County, Kansas.

The appropriator shall maintain, in an operating condition satisfactory to the Chief Engineer-Director, all check valves installed for the prevention of chemical or other foreign substance pollution of the water supply.



Jackie McClaskey, Secretary

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

Governor Sam Brownback

HAMILTON BROS PARTNERSHIP TODD HAMILTON PO BOX 149 ENSIGN, KS 67841

RE: Water Right, File No. 4,809, 15,288 & 25,196-D2

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

Enclosed are the orders executed by the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, approving the applications for change under the above referenced files.

Your attention is directed to the enclosures and to the terms, conditions, and limitations specified in this approval for change. A condition of the approval is that an acceptable water flow meter must be installed on the diversion works authorized under the referenced file number. Please return the required enclosed form, *Notification of the Completion of the Diversion Works*, upon completion of these actions.

Since these orders modify the original documents referred to above, they should be recorded with the Register of Deeds as other instruments affecting real estate.

If you have any questions, please contract Leslie Ireland, Environmental Scientist, at (785) 564-6633. 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

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Groundwater Management District No. 3

Water Rights and Points of Diversion Within 1.50 miles of point defined as: 2748 ft N and 5021 ft W of the SE Corner of Section 36, T 27S, R 30W Located at: 100.559900 West Longitude and 37.657037 North Latitude GROUNDWATER ONLY

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From:

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Sent:

Monday, December 12, 2016 2:15 PM

To:

Ireland, Leslie

Subject:

RE: Recommendation for Change in PD, File Nos. 4809xx Hamilton

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I recommend approval but would like to comment in the memo that approval of these applications allow more water to be pumped with the larger well now authorizing the larger water right. This has been a chasing of water from the previously changes to move these rights to the current location from previously dry wells.

Mike

From: Ireland, Leslie

Sent: Monday, December 12, 2016 1:50 PM **To:** Meyer, Mike <Mike.Meyer@ks.gov>

Subject: Recommendation for Change in PD, File Nos. 4809xx Hamilton

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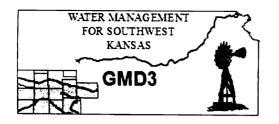
These changes will flip the rights between existing wells. The overlap between File Nos. 4809 & 15,288 will remain as they move to the North, with 25196-D2moving to the southwest well.

No comments were received from the nearbys,,, Koehn or Rexford.

GMD 3 recommended approval with a waiver of well to well spacing per their Nov. 10 letter

As always your comments and concerns are welcome.

Leslie Ireland, Environmental Scientist II Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources - Change Unit (785) 564-6633 Leslie.Ireland@ks.gov www.agriculture.ks.gov



Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3 2009 E. Spruce Street Garden City, Kansas 67846

(620) 275-7147 phone (620) 275-1431 fax www.gmd3.org

November 10, 2016

Leslie Ireland Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources 1320 Research Park Drive Manhattan, Kansas 66502 WATER RESOURCES RECEIVED

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RE:

Change Applications,

Water Right, File Nos. 4,809; 15,288 & 25,196D2

Dear Leslie:

We have completed a review of the applications for the above referenced water rights. The proposal is in conflict with the Management Program of the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3 (GMD3). More specifically, it does not meet the minimum spacing requirement between the two wells the applicant is wanting to flip authority on under these water rights in accordance with K.A.R. 5-23-3(a). We reviewed the application at our November 9, 2016 Board meeting.

Mr. Hamilton, the applicant, was able to be in attendance for the review. A brief history of the water rights was discussed and shown that the Board reviewed these applications at our April 14, 2016. At that time the Hamilton's were in the process of buying a portion of the land and Water Right 25,196 had not yet been split. The timeline was discussed showing how the well under 4,809 & 15,288 was redrilled to the SW corner of the quarter and a waiver was needed to move 25,196 to the well just vacated. The pending sale depended on the ability to have both of the wells as presented at the time. Three quarters of the ground are now authorized under these three water rights in a complete overlap. Mr. Hamilton stated that they need to run both wells in order to efficiently operate the three pivots and that the SW well was never set up to accommodate that usage. The bowls are too small and the pipeline between the two wells was not big enough to handle the rate they needed. The original plan they believed was to flip the authority, as they have applied to do. He also stated that both wells seem to have similar saturated thickness, so this is not a matter of trying to put the higher authority on the better well, it is a matter of utilizing existing infrastructure.

GMD3 staff personally called the neighboring wells that were contacted in the first review earlier in the year to ensure that they fully understood what the change was for during this submittal. All those contacted appreciated the notice and stated that they now fully understood what was being applied for and had no objections to the proposals. It was noted that spacing was met to all of the neighboring wells and that the only issue was with the spacing between the two wells, as was the case earlier in the year. Seeing as how the only spacing issue is between the applicant's wells and that the only reason for the proposal is to better utilize the existing infrastructure, the Board recommends a waiver to KAR 5-23-3(a) and that the current application be approved.

Thank you for the opportunity to review the applications 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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900 SW Jackson, Room 456 Topeka, Kansas 66612 (785) 296-3556

Jackie McClaskey, Secretary

Governor Sam Brownback

October 11, 2016

SOUTHWEST KANSAS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO 3 ATTN MARK RUDE 2009 E SPRUCE GARDEN CITY KS 67846

Re: Applications for Change, Water Right, File Nos. 4,809; 15,288 & 25,196-D2

Dear Mr. Rude:

We are enclosing a copy of the applications referred to above which appear to be in proper form.

We are delaying any further action for a period of 30 days from the date of this letter to allow you time to submit your recommendations concerning the applications.

Please submit your recommendations within the allotted time, or any authorized extension of time.

Sincerely,

Leslie Ireland

Environmental Scientist

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Garden City Field Office

Todd Hamilton



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

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September 2, 2016

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RE: Water Right,

File Nos. 4,809; 15,288 & 25,196-D2

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is to advise you that Todd Hamilton on behalf of the Hamilton Brothers Partnership has filed applications for approval of the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, to change the points of diversion authorized under the above referenced files.

The applications are proposing to change the referenced files to switch the rights between the existing authorized well locations. The changes will result in File Nos. 4,809 & 15,288, moving their authorized total combined quantity of 480 acre-feet of water to be diverted at a maximum rate of 1,145 gallons per minute:

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one (1) well located in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW½ SW½ NW½) of Section 36, more particularly described as being near a point 2,748 feet North and 5,021 feet West of the Southeast corner of said section in Township 27 South, Range 30 West,

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both in Gray County, Kansas.

The change under File No. 25,196-D2, will authorized the well that had been authorized by File Nos. 4,809 & 15,288, resulting in the 250 acre-feet at a maximum rate of 775 gallons per minute under File No. 25,196-D2, moving

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You are being notified of the proposed changes so that you may furnish this office written comments or other information you may desire to submit. Such written 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 our office, my desk phone is (785) 564-6633. If you wish to discuss a specific file, please have the file numbers ready so that we may help you more efficiently.

Sincerely,

Leslie Ireland

Environmental Scientist

Water Appropriation Program

pc: Garden City Field Office

Groundwater Management District No. 3 Todd Hamilton, Hamilton Brothers Partnership



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September 2, 2016

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CHESTER REXFORD INC 2206 9 RD MONTEZUMA KS 67867

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both in Gray County, Kansas.

The change under File No. 25,196-D2, will authorized the well that had been authorized by File Nos. 4,809 & 15,288, resulting in the 250 acre-feet at a maximum rate of 775 gallons per minute under File No. 25,196-D2, moving

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SCANNED

You are being notified of the proposed changes so that you may furnish this office written comments or other information you may desire to submit. Such written 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 our office, my desk phone is (785) 564-6633. If you wish to discuss a specific file, please have the file numbers ready so that we may help you more efficiently.

Sincerely,

Leslie Ireland

Environmental Scientist

Water Appropriation Program

pc: Garden City Field Office

Groundwater Management District No. 3 Todd Hamilton, Hamilton Brothers Partnership



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Jackie McClaskey, Secretary

Governor Sam Brownback

August 18, 2016

TODD HAMILTON PO BOX 149 24506 22 ROAD ENSIGN KS 67841

RE: Water Right, File Nos. 4,809; 15,288 & 25,196-D2

Dear Mr. Hamilton,

Reference is made to the applications for approval of the Chief Engineer to change the place of use under the referenced file numbers which were received in the office of the Chief Engineer on June 13, 2016. Upon review of the applications, we find that additional information is needed.

Please find enclosed the <u>original</u> applications for File Nos. 4,809; 15,288 and 25,196- D2. Effective July 1, 2016, Senate Bill No. 337, enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, requires the Division of Water Resources to notify all water right owners with a point of diversion within half a mile of a water right pending a request to change the water right. Please indicate on your submitted maps the <u>location of all water wells</u> of any kind (including domestic wells) within one-half mile of the proposed point of diversion and <u>provide well owner names and mailing addresses on the maps</u>. In addition, <u>you must sign</u> where indicated on the application maps <u>certifying that all water wells of any kind</u> located within one-half mile of the requested point of diversion <u>have</u> been plotted on the maps.

Your applications in Part 18, indicate that the wells do not meet the required spacing to each other, and it appears a waiver of the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3, spacing regulation K.A.R. 5-23-3, *Minimum well spacing requirements: high plains aquifer* is needed for each application. Please provide information to support your requested waiver as required by Part (b) of K.A.R. 5-5-2a, *Complete change application*.

I am returning the referenced applications so that you may provide the requested justification for the needed waivers, ownership information and the needed signature on each map.

In order that the applications will retain their priority date of filing, the original applications and attachments must be returned, along with the requested updates, to this office on or before September 17, 2016, or within any authorized extension of time thereof. According to the law, default in the refiling of the completed applications and attachments as outlined above, within the time allowed, shall constitute forfeiture of the priority date and dismissal of the applications.

Should you need to request additional time in which to return the applications please do so prior to the deadline. You may email me at <u>leslie.ireland@ks.gov</u> to request additional time in which to provide the required information and return the applications. Please state in your request the amount of time that is needed.

Assistance is available from staff at Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3 in Garden City should you need assistance. Please call (620) 275-7147 to set an appointment time. Assistance is also available from the Garden City Field Office.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (785) 564-6633, or Brent Turney, P.G., Change Application Unit Supervisor 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,

Leslie Ireland

Change Application Unit

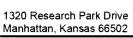
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Enclosures

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Groundwater Management District No. 3





Phone: (785) 564-6700 Fax: (785) 564-6777 Email: ksag@kda.ks.gov www.agriculture.ks.gov

Sam Brownback, Governor

Jackie McClaskey. Secretary

TODD HAMILTON PO BOX 149 ENSIGN KS 67841

June 13, 2016

RE: File No. 25196

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

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