



File No. **12493**      11. County: **WA**      Basin: **LADDER CREEK**      Stream:      Formation Code:      Special Use:

12. Points of Diversion  
 Rate and Quantity  
 Authorized      Additional  
 Rate      Quantity      Rate      Quantity  
 gpm      af      gpm      af      Overlap PD Files

CHK	MOD	DEL	ENT	PDIV	Qualifier	S	T	R	ID	'N	'W	Comment (AKA Line)	Rate gpm	Quantity af	Rate gpm	Quantity af	Overlap PD Files
<b>CHK</b>					<b>1044</b>												

13. Storage: Rate \_\_\_\_\_ NF      Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ ac/ft      Additional Rate \_\_\_\_\_ NF      Additional Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ ac/ft

14. Limitation: \_\_\_\_\_ af/yr at \_\_\_\_\_ gpm ( \_\_\_\_\_ cfs) when combined with file number(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
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15. 5YR Allocation:      Allocation Type \_\_\_\_\_      Start Year \_\_\_\_\_      5 YR Amount \_\_\_\_\_      Amount Unit \_\_\_\_\_      Base Acres \_\_\_\_\_      Comment \_\_\_\_\_

CHK	MOD	DEL	ENT	PUSE	S	T	R	ID	NE¼				NW¼				SW¼				SE¼				Total	Owner	Chg?	Overlap Files						
									NE ¼	NW ¼	SW ¼	SE ¼	NE ¼	NW ¼	SW ¼	SE ¼	NE ¼	NW ¼	SW ¼	SE ¼	NE ¼	NW ¼	SW ¼	SE ¼										
									L-1	L-2			L-3	L-4	L-5			L-6	L-7															
<b>CHK</b>					<b>6</b>			<b>15S39W</b>	<b>1</b>	40.71	40.5	40	40	40.3	41.34	41.33	40	40	41.42	41.51	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	647.11	<b>8a</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>MULTIPLE</b>
									L-1	L-2			L-3	L-4																				
<b>ENT</b>					<b>5</b>			<b>15S39W</b>	<b>1</b>	38.91	39.62	40	40	40.39	40.67	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	640.49	<b>8a</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>MULTIPLE</b>

Base Acres:      Year:      Minimum Reasonable Quantity:  
 Comments: **OVERLAPPING WR ON PLACE OF USE: 2398; 3249; 7543; 8260; 9063; 12493; 12582 & 22114**

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Mike Beam, Secretary

Laura Kelly, Governor

June 21, 2023

DONALD E & FRANCES L PLETCHER  
PO BOX 303  
SHARON SPRINGS, KS 67758-0303

RE: Filed Office Application for Change  
Water Right, File Nos. 2398; 3249; 7543; 8260; 9063; 12493; 12582 & 22114

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed is the order executed by the designee of the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, approving the application for change under the above referenced file numbers. **Note: this approval does not allow any single point of diversion to exceed its annual authorized quantity.**

Your attention is directed to the enclosures and to the terms, conditions, and limitations specified in this approval for change. A condition of this approval is that an acceptable water flow meter must be installed on the diversion works authorized under the referenced file number and meet current specifications. Please return the required notification of completion of the diversion works and/or installation of the required meter as soon as these actions are completed.

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

Should you have any questions, please feel free contact this office. If you would prefer, you could arrange an appointment for additional assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Austin J. McColloch".

Austin J. McColloch  
Assistant Water Commissioner

AM:  
enclosures

pc: GMD 1

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2023, I hereby certify that the foregoing Approval of Application for Change in Place of Use, Water Right, File Nos. 2,398, 3,249, 7,543, 8,260, 9,063, 12,493, 12,582 and 22,114 dated 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2023 was mailed postage prepaid, first class, US mail to the following:

DONALD E & FRANCES L PLETCHER  
PO BOX 303  
SHARON SPRINGS, KS 67758-0303

Pc:

GMD 3

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Division of Water Resources Staff

Submit completed application to:  
 Kansas Department of Agriculture  
 Division of Water Resources  
 Field Office for your area.  
 Call for address:

Topeka -- (785) 296-5733  
 Stafford -- (620) 234-5311  
 Stockton -- (785) 425-6787  
 Garden City -- (620) 276-2901  
<http://agriculture.ks.gov/dwr>

## DWR FIELD OFFICE APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE PLACE OF USE AND/OR THE POINT OF DIVERSION



**STATE OF KANSAS**

**Filing Fee Must Accompany the Application, K.S.A. 82a-708b(b), as amended.**  
 Fee Schedule is on the third page of this application form.

**Paragraph Nos. 1, 2, 3 & 5 must be completed. Complete all other applicable portions.** If change in point of diversion is greater than 100 feet, or if place of use will be changed, include a topographic map or detailed plat showing the authorized and proposed point(s) of diversion and/or place of use.

**RECEIVED**  
 10:35 am  
 JUN 05 2023

File No. 12493

1. Application is hereby made for approval of the Chief Engineer to change the (check one or both):  
 Place of Use       Point of Diversion

Garden City Field Office  
 Division of Water Resources

under the water right which is the subject of this application in accordance with the conditions described below.

The source of supply is:       Groundwater       Surface water

2. Name and address of Applicant: DONALD E & FRANCES L PLETCHER  
PO BOX 203, SHARON SPRINGS, KS 67758

Phone Number: (    )      Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of Water Use Correspondent: same as above

Phone Number: (    )      Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

3. The presently authorized place of use is:  
 Owner of Land ---- NAME: same as above  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

(If there is more than one landowner, attach supplemental sheets as necessary.)

Sec.	Twp.	Range	NE¼				NW¼				SW¼				SE¼				TOTAL ACRES
			NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	
6	15S	39W	40.71	40.5	40	40	40.3	41.34	41.33	40	40	41.42	41.51	40	40	40	40	40	647.11

4. If this application is for a change in place of use, it is proposed that the place of use be changed to:  
 Owner of Land ---- NAME: same as above  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

(If there is more than one landowner, attach supplemental sheets as necessary.)

Sec.	Twp.	Range	NE¼				NW¼				SW¼				SE¼				TOTAL ACRES
			NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	
6	15S	39W	40.71	40.5	40	40	40.3	41.34	41.33	40	40	41.42	41.51	40	40	40	40	40	647.11
5	15S	39W	39.81	39.62	40	40	40.39	40.67	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	640.49

**For Office Use Only: Code \_\_\_\_\_ Fee \$ 200.00 TR # \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt Date 6-5-23 Check # 7412**

5. **Presently authorized point of diversion:**

One in the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of Section \_\_\_\_\_, Township \_\_\_\_\_ South, Range \_\_\_\_\_ (W), in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas, \_\_\_\_\_ feet North \_\_\_\_\_ feet West of Southeast corner of section. Authorized Rate \_\_\_\_\_ Authorized Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ (feet) (DWR use only: Computer ID No. \_\_\_\_\_ GPS \_\_\_\_\_ feet North \_\_\_\_\_ feet West)

This point will not be changed  This point will be changed as follows:  No change, point better described with GPS as follows:

**Proposed point of diversion: (Complete only if change is requested or if existing point is better described by GPS)**

One in the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of Section \_\_\_\_\_, Township \_\_\_\_\_ South, Range \_\_\_\_\_ (W), in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas, \_\_\_\_\_ feet North \_\_\_\_\_ feet West of Southeast corner of section. Proposed Rate \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed well depth (feet) \_\_\_\_\_ This point is:  Additional Well  Geo Center List other water rights that will use this point \_\_\_\_\_

6. **Presently authorized point of diversion:**

One in the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of Section \_\_\_\_\_, Township \_\_\_\_\_ South, Range \_\_\_\_\_ (W), in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas, \_\_\_\_\_ feet North \_\_\_\_\_ feet West of Southeast corner of section. Authorized Rate \_\_\_\_\_ Authorized Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ (feet) (DWR use only: Computer ID No. \_\_\_\_\_ GPS \_\_\_\_\_ feet North \_\_\_\_\_ feet West)

This point will not be changed  This point will be changed as follows:  No change, point better described with GPS as follows:

**Proposed point of diversion: (Complete only if change is requested or if existing point is better described by GPS)**

One in the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of Section \_\_\_\_\_, Township \_\_\_\_\_ South, Range \_\_\_\_\_ (W), in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas, \_\_\_\_\_ feet North \_\_\_\_\_ feet West of Southeast corner of section. Proposed Rate \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed well depth (feet) \_\_\_\_\_ This point is:  Additional Well  Geo Center List other water rights that will use this point \_\_\_\_\_

7. The changes herein are desired for the following reasons? (please be specific) \_\_\_\_\_

8. If a well, is the test hole log attached?  Yes  No

9. The change(s) (was)(will be) completed by? \_\_\_\_\_

10. If the point of diversion is a well:

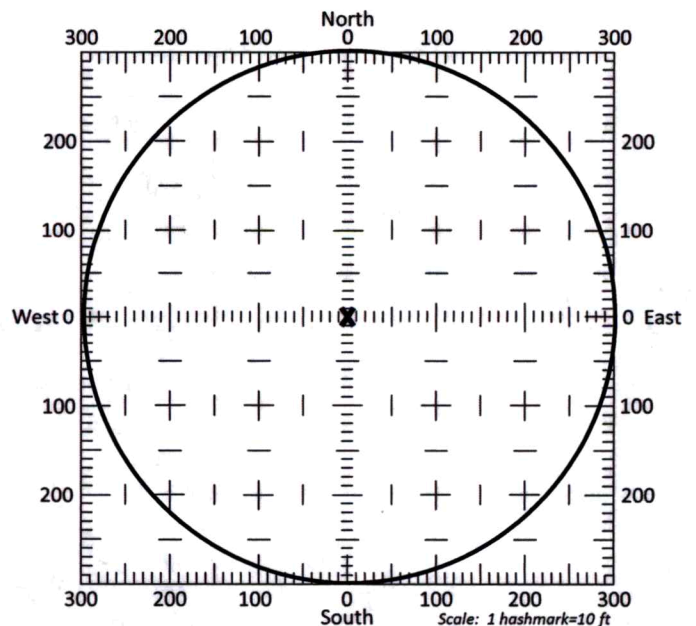
(a) What are you going to do with the old well? \_\_\_\_\_

(b) When will this be done? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Groundwater Management District recommendation attached?  Yes  No

12. Assisted by CI, GCFO \_\_\_\_\_

13a. If the proposed point of diversion will be relocated more than 300 feet but within 2,640 feet of the existing point of diversion, attach a topographic map or aerial photograph. For groundwater sources, show all wells (including domestic) within one-half mile of the proposed point of diversion and the names and mailing addresses of the owners. For surface water sources, show the names and addresses of the landowner(s) one-half mile downstream and one-half mile upstream from your property lines



13b. If the proposed point of diversion will be relocated within a 300 foot radius of the existing point of diversion, indicate its location on the diagram shown above in relation to the existing point of diversion. The proposed point of diversion must be located within the circle shown above. (PLEASE NOTE: The "X" in center of diagram above represents the presently authorized point of diversion.)

14. If the proposed groundwater point of diversion is 300 or fewer feet from the existing point of diversion, complete the following:
- (a) Does the undersigned represent all owners of the currently authorized place(s) of use identified in this application?  
 Yes     No    (If no, all owners must sign this application.)
  - (b) Will the ownership interest of any owner of the currently authorized place(s) of use identified in this application be adversely affected if this application is approved as requested?  
 Yes     No    (If yes, all owners must sign this application.)
  - (c) If this application is not approved expeditiously, will there be substantial damage to property, public health or safety?  
 Yes     No    (If no, all owners must sign this application.)

If the application proposes a surface water change in point of diversion, a groundwater change in point of diversion greater than 300 feet, or a change in place of use, the application must be signed by all owners of the currently authorized place of use, or their duly authorized agent (attach notarized statement authorizing representation).

**I hereby verify, being first duly sworn upon my oath or affirmation and under penalty of perjury, that I am of lawful age and the owner, the spouse of the owner, or a duly authorized agent of the owner(s) to make this application on their behalf, in regards to the water right(s) to which this application pertains. I further verify that the statements contained in this application are true, correct and complete.**

Dated at Garden City, Kansas, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

Donald E. Pletcher  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Owner)

Frances L. Pletcher  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Spouse)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Owner)

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 (Spouse)

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 (Please Print)

State of Kansas }  
 County of Finney }



I hereby certify that the foregoing application was signed in my presence and sworn to before me this 5 day of June, 2023.

Aaron Holsted  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Notary Public

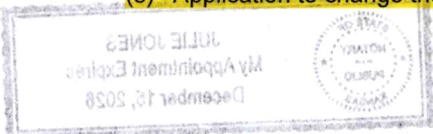
My Commission Expires May 18, 2027.

**ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED.** To be complete, all of the applicable portions of the application form must be completed with accurate information; maps, if necessary, must be included; signatures of all the appropriate owners' must be affixed to the application and notarized; and the appropriate fee must be paid.

**FEE SCHEDULE**

Each application to change the place of use or the point of diversion under this section shall be accompanied by the application fee set forth in the schedule below: Make checks payable to: **Kansas Department of Agriculture**

- (1) Application to change a point of diversion 300 feet or less . . . . . \$100
- (2) Application to change a point of diversion more than 300 feet . . . . . \$200
- (3) Application to change the place of use . . . . . \$200



**SUMMARY ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION FOR CHANGE AND IMPOSING CONDITIONS**

This Summary Order is issued under authority of K.S.A. 82a-708b, as amended, and K.A.R. 5-5-1, *et seq.* and other applicable provisions of the *Kansas Water Appropriation Law, K.S.A. 82a-701 et. seq.*, and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, With the exception of those conditions expressly contained herein, this Summary Order does not change the terms, conditions and limitations of File No. 12493.

1. A change application was received on June 5, 2023 requesting that the place of use and / or point of diversion authorized under the above-referenced file number be changed as described in the application.
2. On and after the effective date of this summary order, the authorized place(s) of use shall be located substantially as shown on the topographic map accompanying the application to change the place of use.  Applicable  Not Applicable
3. The change in point of diversion shall not impair existing rights and shall be limited to the same source or sources of water as previously authorized. The point of diversion authorized by this summary order shall be located within a        foot radius of the authorized point(s) of diversion.  Applicable  Not Applicable
4. The point(s) of diversion described herein is administratively corrected to be more accurately described using the Global Positioning System (GPS), as described in the application.  Applicable  Not Applicable
5. The point(s) of diversion authorized herein shall not actually be located more than        feet from the previously authorized point(s) of diversion.  Applicable  Not Applicable
6. As required by K.A.R. 5-3-5d, if the works for diversion is a well with a diversion rate of 100 gallons per minute or more, a tube or other device suitable for making water level measurements shall be installed, operated and maintained in accordance with K.A.R. 5-6-13.  Applicable  Not Applicable
7. **The owner of the authorized place(s) of use shall properly install an acceptable water flow meter on or before December 31, 2023**, or before the first use of water, whichever occurs first. The water flow meter shall be installed, operated and maintained in accordance with K.A.R. 5-1-4 through 5-1-12. As required by K.S.A. 82a-732, as amended, and K.A.R. 5-3-5e, the owner shall maintain records and report the reading of the water flow meter and the total quantity of water diverted annually to the Chief Engineer by March 1 following the end of each calendar year.  Applicable  Not Applicable
8. **Installation of the works for diversion of water shall be completed on or before December 31, 2023**, or within any authorized extension of time. By March 1, 2024 the applicant shall notify the Chief Engineer that construction of the works for diversion has been completed, on the form provided by the Chief Engineer, as required by K.A.R. 5-8-4e.  Applicable  Not Applicable
9. **The completed well log shall be submitted with the required notice.**  Applicable  Not Applicable
10. All diversion works into which any type of chemical or other foreign substance will be injected into the water shall be equipped with an in-line, automatic, quick-closing check valve capable of preventing pollution of the source of the water supply. The check valve(s) shall be installed, operated and maintained in accordance with K.A.R. 5-3-5c.  Applicable  Not Applicable
11. Additional Conditions are attached.  Yes  No
12. In accordance with K.S.A. 82a-708a, as amended, and K.A.R. 5-5-14, all of the owners of the authorized place(s) of use of water appropriated under the above-referenced file number are responsible for compliance with its terms, conditions and limitations, as amended and/or supplemented by this Summary Order, and with applicable provisions of the *Kansas Water Appropriation Law* and the *Rules and Regulations* promulgated thereunder. Failure to comply with these provisions may result in civil penalties pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-737, as amended, and/or the suspension or revocation and dismissal of the water or appropriation right or any other enforcement actions authorized by law.

**Administrative Appeal and Effective Date of Order**

If you are aggrieved by this order, pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-1901, you may request an evidentiary hearing before the Chief Engineer or request administrative review by the Secretary of Agriculture. A request for hearing by the Chief Engineer must be filed within **15 days** of service of this Order and a request for administrative review by the Secretary must be filed within **30 days** pursuant to K.S.A. 77-531. Any request for administrative review must state a basis for review pursuant to K.S.A. 77-527. File any request with **Kansas Department of Agriculture, Legal Division, 1320 Research Park Drive, Manhattan, KS 66502**. Failure to timely request a hearing or review may preclude review under the Kansas Judicial Review Act.

*For Use by Register of Deeds*

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY  
**APPLICATION APPROVED AND  
SUMMARY ORDER ISSUED**

By: Austin McColloch  
Duly Authorized Designee of the Chief Engineer

(Print Name): Austin McColloch  
Division of Water Resources - Kansas Department of Agriculture

Date of Issuance: June 21, 2023

State of Kansas )

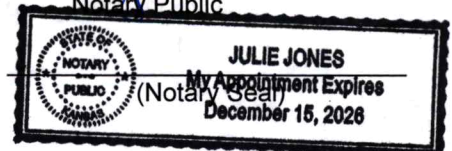
County of Atterbury ) SS

Acknowledged before me on June 21, 2023

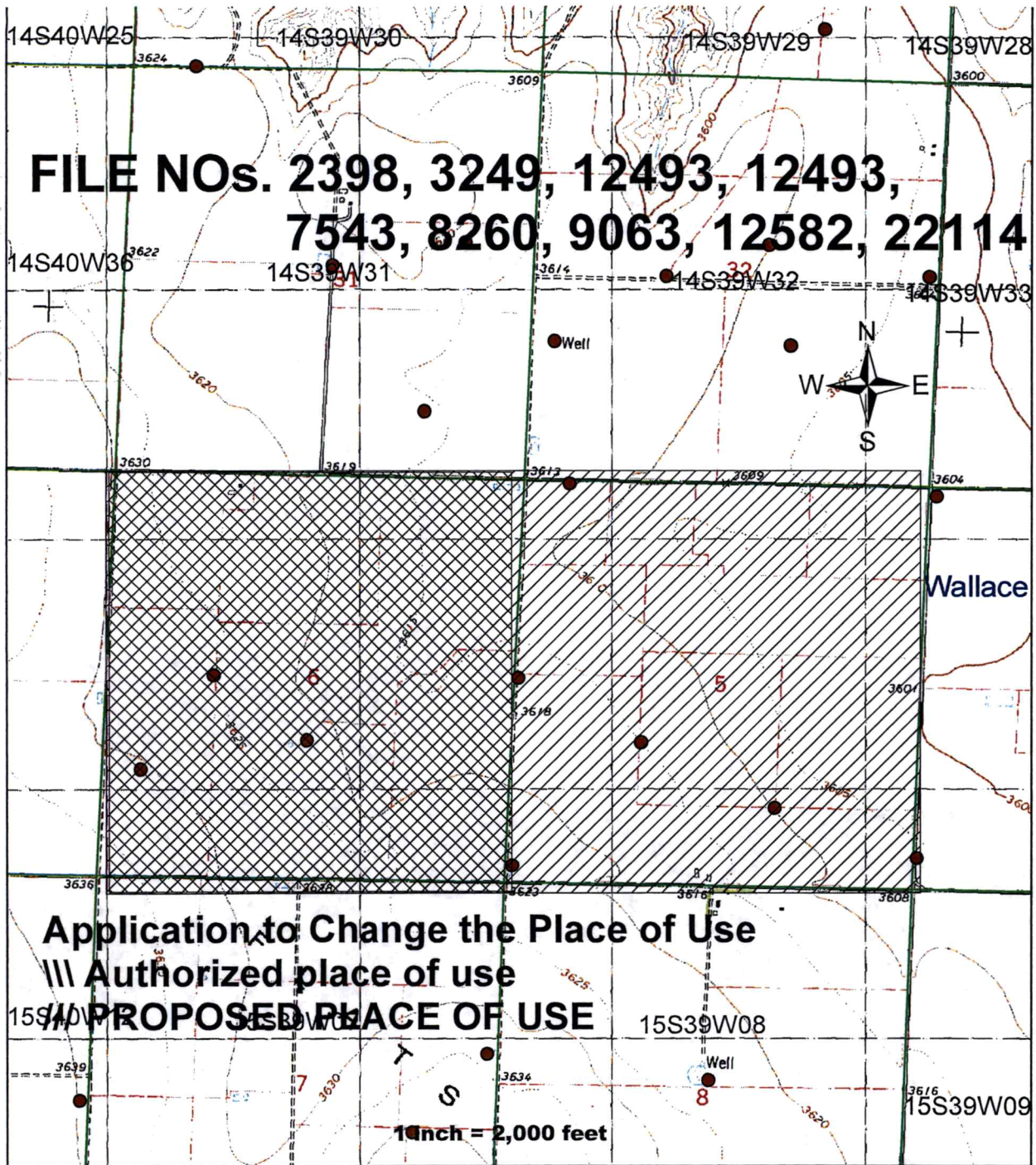
by Austin McColloch

Signature: Julie Jones  
Notary Public

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_







**FILE NOs. 2398, 3249, 12493, 12493,  
7543, 8260, 9063, 12582, 22114**

**Application to Change the Place of Use**  
 III Authorized place of use  
 III PROPOSED PLACE OF USE

(2006 Scaled :

1 inch = 2,000 feet



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WESTERN KANSAS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO.1

Garden City Field Office  
4532 W. Jones, Suite B  
Garden City, KS 67846

June 20th, 2023

Re: Request for Recommendation,  
File No. 2398; 3249; 7543; 8260; 9063; 12493; 12582 & 22114

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Western Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 1 Staff has reviewed the Change of Place of Use applications for the above referenced water right numbers and is providing recommendation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to District staff.

Regards,

Katie Durham  
District Manager  
GMD1

Garden City Field Office  
4532 W. Jones, Suite B  
Garden City, KS 67846

Mike Beam, Secretary



Phone: 620-276-2901  
Fax: 620-276-9315  
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Laura Kelly, Governor

June 5, 2022

GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT #1  
906 W. 5<sup>TH</sup>  
P.O. BOX 604  
SCOTT CITY KS 67871

Re: Request for Recommendation,  
File No. 2398; 3249; 7543; 8260; 9063; 12493; 12582 & 22114

Dear Sir or Madam:

We are enclosing a copy of the referenced application, which was submitted by Donald Pletcher and appears to be in proper form, for your review.

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 (620) 276-2901. If you wish to discuss a specific file, please have the file number ready to that I may help you more efficiently.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Austin McColloch".

Austin McColloch  
Assistant Water Commissioner

Enclosure  
pc: