

No. 541-1Water Division No. 1 BELLE FOURCHE RIVER District
(Blanks to be filled by the Engineer for the W. R. C.)FEB 23 1961
9:44 AMSTATE WATER RESOURCES BOARD
SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTAAPPLICATION FOR PERMIT
To Appropriate Water within the State of South Dakota

(NOTE—Draw a line through items not applicable.)

Name of applicant Clarence T. Johnson Jim D & Peggy I Sigman
Howes Route - 13
Postoffice address Box 456, Sturgis, County Meade, State So. DakI. If a corporation Not a corporation.

- (a) Name of same _____
- (b) Date and place of incorporation _____
- (c) Amount of capital stock _____
- (d) Amount paid in _____
- (e) Names and addresses of directors _____

(NOTE—A certified copy of articles of incorporation must accompany the application.)

II. Method of accomplishing the work and financial resources of the applicant:

- (a) Method of accomplishing work (Whether by contract, employment of others, or by direct labor)

Project completed.

- (b) Cash on hand, \$ _____
- (c) Treasury stock, \$ _____
- (d) Bonds to be issued, \$ _____
- (e) Other resources, \$ _____

2. Name of diversion work Clarence Johnson Irrigation Project #1
3. Amount of water claimed 2.0 cubic feet per second
4. Source of water supply Dry draws which are tributaries of Bear Butte Creek.
5. Location of point of diversion SEE REMARKS SECTION
- _____ on _____ bank Meade County.
6. Annual period or periods during which water is to be used Year around.
7. To be used for:

1. Irrigation or domestic use: Gravity, overhead sprinkling or combination system?
- Gravity.

- (a) Number of acres to be irrigated
- 140.3
- acres.

- (b) Legal subdivisions to be irrigated
- See remarks section.

(NOTE—A list of lands to be irrigated, giving each subdivision and fraction with acreage thereof, should be written here, or on, be appended as a part of this application. Same must also be shown on accompanying map.)

- (c) Statement as to domestic use (giving location, etc.) _____

II. Stockwatering, mining, milling, power, fish culture, fire protection and public recreation:

- (a) Nature of use
- None of these.

Name any of the above uses claimed _____

- (b) Amount of power to be generated _____ horse power.

Amount claimed for engine cooling _____

- (c) Location of plant _____

- (d) Method of developing power _____

- (e) Point where water will be returned to stream _____

MAP No 458-1

8. Estimated cost of work:

Completed

(a) Head Gates, \$-----

(b) Pumping plant, \$-----

(c) Fluming, \$-----

(d) Canal-earth, \$-----

Rock, \$-----

(e) Other structures -----

Total, \$-----

9. Description of diversion works:

I. Nature of works: (Reservoir, dam, ditch, flume, pumping plant, etc.)

Plugs and dikesII. Dimensions of works

(a) Dam: Height ----- feet; length at bottom ----- feet; length at top ----- feet; thickness at bottom ----- feet; thickness at top ----- feet; slope at front water face -----; slope at back face -----
material used in construction -----

(b) Reservoir: Capacity when filled ----- acre feet. Surface area at highwater mark ----- acres.

DEPTH AT OUTLET- FEET	SURFACE AREA AT EACH DEPTH AT OUTLET- ACRES	FEET	ACRE- FEET CAPACITY

(c)* Head gate: Width ----- feet; height ----- feet;
Material -----

(d) Canal: Total length ----- miles.

LOCATION BELOW HEADGATE	DEPTH	BOTTOM WIDTH	WIDTH AT WATER-LINE	GRADE FT. MILE
At ----- Mile	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet
At ----- Mile	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet
At ----- Mile	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet
At ----- Mile	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet
At ----- Mile	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet
At ----- Mile	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet	----- feet

(Give dimensions where reductions in size are made.)

10. Time required for completion of work ----- years.

11. Time required for complete application of water to the proposed beneficial use ----- years.

12. Choice of newspaper for publication of notice of intention to appropriate -----

Sturgis Tribune, Sturgis, S. Dak.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

County of MEADE

ss.

I, CLARENCE I. JOHNSON

being first duly sworn on my oath depose and say: That my relation to the above described undertaking is that of owner, that I have read the above foregoing statement, examined the map accompanying the same, and that I know of my own personal knowledge that the matters therein stated and shown are true.

Signed

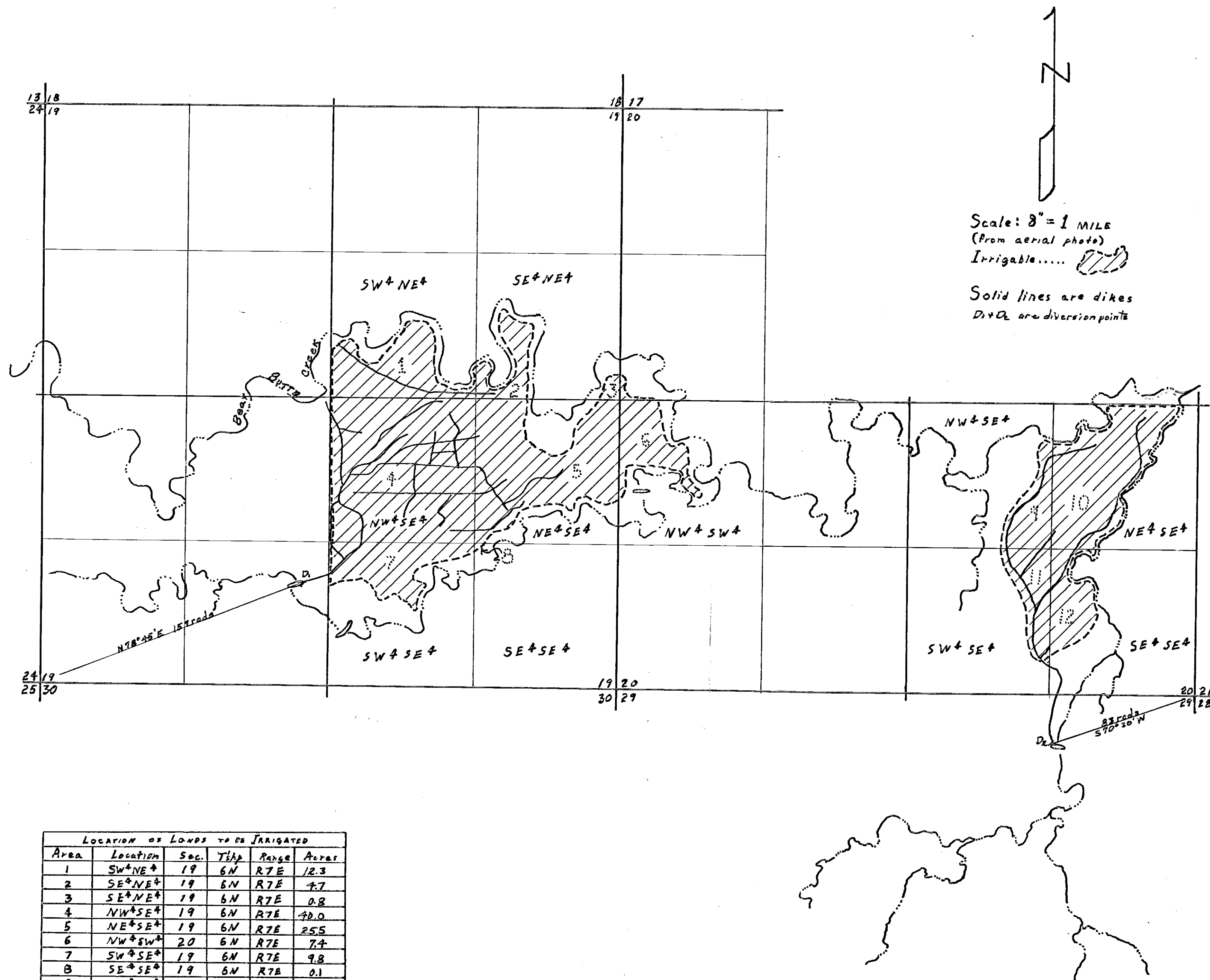
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of February 1961

My commission expires 12/7/68

James B. Kinney
Notary Public (or other qualified officer.)

James B. Kinney

*Each diversion must have a headgate or measuring device.



LOCATION OF LANDS TO BE IRRIGATED					
Area	Location	Sec.	Twp.	Range	Area
1	SW ¹ NE ⁴	19	6N	R7E	12.3
2	SE ¹ NE ⁴	19	6N	R7E	4.7
3	SE ¹ NE ⁴	19	6N	R7E	0.8
4	NW ¹ SE ⁴	19	6N	R7E	40.0
5	NE ¹ SE ⁴	19	6N	R7E	25.5
6	NW ¹ SW ⁴	20	6N	R7E	7.4
7	SW ¹ SE ⁴	19	6N	R7E	9.8
8	SE ¹ SE ⁴	19	6N	R7E	0.1
9	NW ¹ SE ⁴	20	6N	R7E	6.2
10	NE ¹ SE ⁴	20	6N	R7E	20.3
11	SW ¹ SE ⁴	20	6N	R7E	6.8
12	SE ¹ SE ⁴	20	6N	R7E	6.4
TOTAL					140.3

CLARENCE I. JOHNSON IRRIGATION PROJECT #1

ALL LANDS DESCRIBED HEREIN ARE OWNED BY CLARENCE I. JOHNSON

SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
COUNTY OF MEADE)ss

I, Meric D. Giger, Registered Land Surveyor, do hereby certify that this map was made from field notes and aerial photographs of the area, and that to the best of my knowledge, it correctly represents the lands involved and the locations indicated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereunto set my hand and official seal on this 18th day of February, 1961.

Meric D. Giger
Registered Land Surveyor #1007

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
COUNTY OF MEADE)ss

On this 18th day of February, 1961, before me, James B. Kinney, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Meric D. Giger, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the above written instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purpose therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My commission expires 12/7/68 *James B. Kinney*
James B. Kinney Notary Public

Remarks by State Water Resources Commission:

"Vested right claimed"

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

County of

HUGHES

Pierre, South Dakota,

April 2

1962

This is to certify that the foregoing application was received by the Commission at 9:00 o'clock

a.m. upon the

23rd

day of

February

1961

State Water Resources Commission

By:

Durston Jones
for Chief Engineer, Executive Officer

Number of permit

541-1

Date of first receipt of application

February 23

1961

Date of return to applicant for correction, amendments or changes required as follows:

19

Date of receipt of corrected application

19

Date from which applicant may claim right

1.33 from 1953
67 from 1939

19

Approved

April

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1962

Recorded in Book

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This is to certify that we have examined the foregoing application for a permit to appropriate water of the State of South Dakota, and we hereby grant the same as stated herein, subject, however, to the following limitations and conditions:

1st. The equivalent of at least one-fifth of the work above specified is to be completed on or before

19

2nd. The whole of said work is to be completed on or before

19

3rd. The limit of time for proof of beneficial use of water appropriated in accordance herewith is

completed

19

4th. The water appropriated shall be used for the purpose of

irrigation

5th. The prior right of all persons who, by compliance with the laws of the State of South Dakota, have acquired a right to the use of water must not be injuriously affected by this appropriation.

6th. The amount of the appropriation herein granted shall not exceed 2.0 cubic feet per second; neither shall it exceed the capacity of the above described system of diversion works, nor the least amount of water that experience may hereafter indicate as necessary for the production of crops in the exercise of the best husbandry; and further, said appropriation must be limited to not more than one-seventieth (1/70) of one cubic foot of water per second of time for each acre of land to which water is actually used

and beneficially applied for irrigation on or before

July 1

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said water to be used during the following described annual period:

whenever available

Witness my hand this

2nd

day of

April

1962

State Water Resources Commission

By:

J. J. Jones

Chief Engineer, Executive Officer

Certificate of Construction Issued

April 2, 1962

Water License Issued

April 2, 1962

Remarks by the Applicant:

LOCATION OF LANDS TO BE IRRIGATED

AREA	LOCATION	SEC.	T'SHP	RANGE	ACRES
1	SW NE 1/4	19	T6N	R7E	12.3
2	SE NE 1/4	19	T6N	R7E	4.7
3	SE NE 1/4	19	T6N	R7E	0.8
4	NW SE 1/4	19	T6N	R7E	40.0
5	NE SE 1/4	19	T6N	R7E	25.5
6	NW SW 1/4	20	T6N	R7E	7.4
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11	SW SE 1/4	20	T6N	R7E	6.8
12	SE SE 1/4	20	T6N	R7E	6.4
TOTAL					140.3

Points of diversion are as follows

A point 157 rods from the SW cor. of Sec. 19 bearing N78 45'E and
a point 83 rods from the SE cor. of Sec. 20 bearing S70 30' W
all in T6N R7E BHM

Address all correspondence to: Giggear Surveying
1054 Park Street
Sturgis, So. Dak.

for engineering corrections.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

WATER LICENSE No. 541-1

WHEREAS, On the 23rd day of February A. D. 1961
Clarence I. Johnson

of Sturgis County of Meade and State of
South Dakota duly made application (No. 541-1) to us for a vested right 2.0
cubic feet per second of the waters of dry draw tributaries & Bear Butte Creek
County of Meade, State of South Dakota, for irrigation
purposes; and

Vested Right: WHEREAS, On the 2nd day of April A. D. 1962
Permit No. 541-1 was issued to said applicant for the diversion of said water, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ recognizing the
completion of the works of diversion therein described ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ and ~~XXXXXX~~ application to beneficial use of said
water ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ XXXXXX ~~XXXXXX~~ and,

WHEREAS, On the 23rd day of February A. D. 1961
vested right the holder of said permit duly made proof of the completion of adequate works for the diversion of 2.0
cubic feet per second of said waters, as evidenced by our Certificate No. 541-1
dated April 2, 1962 confirming the completion of works of sufficient capacity for
diverting and conveying to the place of intended use 2.0 cubic feet per second of water, with date of
priority of 1939 and, 1953 and,

WHEREAS, On the 23rd day of February A. D. 1961
proof was duly made of the application to beneficial use of 2.0 cubic feet per second of said water;
for irrigating 140.3 acres located in Sections 19 & 20, T6N, R7E

NOW, THEREFORE, By the virtue of the authority vested in us by the laws of the State of South Dakota,
We hereby grant and confirm to Clarence I. Johnson
of Sturgis the holder and owner of said vested right permit No. 541-1
a water right, dating from 1932 and 1953 to the use of R.O.
cubic feet per second of the waters of dry draw tributaries & Bear Butte Creek
in the County of Monda and State of South Dakota, or so much thereof as may be
necessray for the purposes hereinbelow mentioned, to be diverted & between a point in the SE 1/4 SW 1/4
Section 19, and a point in the NE 1/4 NE 1/4, Sec. 29, all in T6N, R2W
and conducted to and upon 140.3 acres in Section 19 and 20, T6N, R2W, more
specifically described in the Certificate of Completion of Works
for the purpose of irrigation

subject, however, to the laws of the State of South Dakota applicable to a license for the use of the waters of the State, and subject, also to the local or community customs, rules and regulations which have been or may be adopted from time to time by a majority of the users from a common source of supply, canal or lateral from which such water may be taken, when such rules and regulations have for their object the economical use of such water.

WITNESS, My hand and seal of our office at Pierre, South Dakota,
this 2nd day of April A. D. Nineteen
Hundred and sixty-two

State Water Resources Commission

By: J. V. GRIMES
Chief Engineer, Executive Officer

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Water License No. _____

To _____

Source of Supply _____

County _____

Am't _____ c. f. s.

Point of Diversion _____

Place of Use _____

Purpose _____

Date of Priority _____

Recorded _____

In Book _____ of _____ Page _____

Permit No. 541-1Water Division No. 1 Belle Fourche District
River

Certificate of Completion of Works

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

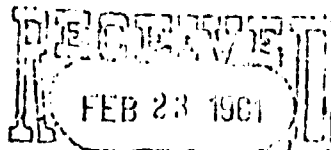
This is to Certify, That Clarence I. Johnsonof Sturgis, County of Meade, and State of
South Dakota, the holder of Permit No. 541-1, issued upon ApplicationNo. 541-1 bearing date of priority of 1939 & 1953, authorizing the diversion of
2.0 cu. ft. per second of the waters of dry draw tributaries to Bear Butte
CreekCounty of Meade, State of South Dakota, ~~xx~~ between a point
N78° 45' E 157 rods from the SW corner Section 19, and a point S70° 30' W
83 rods from the SE corner Sec. 20, all in T6N, R7E irrigationpurposes, has fully complied with the provisions of the laws of the State of South Dakota relating to proof of
completion of the works of diversion set out and described in said Permit; that said works are recognized as satisfactory
condition for diverting and conveying to the place of intended use 2.0 cu. ft.per second of water; and that the lands proposed to be irrigated by the use of said water are described as follows,
to-wit: all in T6N, R7ESection 19 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 12.3 acresSE 1/4 NE 1/4 5.5 "NW 1/4 SE 1/4 40.0 "NE 1/4 SE 1/4 25.5 "SW 1/4 SE 1/4 9.8 "SE 1/4 SE 1/4 0.1 "Section 20 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 7.4 "NW 1/4 SE 1/4 6.2 "NE 1/4 SW 1/4 20.3 "SW 1/4 SE 1/4 6.8 "SE 1/4 SE 1/4 6.4 "140.3 "Witness my hand this 2nd day of April A. D. 1962

State Water Resources Commission

By:

J. W. GRIMES
Chief Engineer, Executive Officer

Location No. _____



Water Division No. _____

Water District _____

STATE WATER RESOURCES COM.
WATER, SOUTH DAKOTA

Proof of Application of Water to Beneficial Use

PETITION OF HOLDER

Ques. 1. State your name, residence, occupation and postoffice address.

Ans. Clarence I Johnson, Bear Butte Valley, Farmer-Rancher

P.O. Box 456, Sturgis, S. Dak.

Ques. 2. If acting in behalf of a corporation, state its name, principal place of business (if a foreign corporation, give name and postoffice of statutory agent,) your position with reference to same, and your authority for appearing in its behalf.

Ans. Not a corporation.

Ques. 3. State date of posting and date of recording notice of appropriation.

Ans. Not posted or recorded.

Ques. 4. State source of water supply and give exact location of point of diversion.

Ans. Tributaries of Bear Butte Creek, one point being 157 rods from the SW corner of Sec. 19 bearing N78 45'E and another point being 83 rods from the SE corner of Sec 20 bearing S70 30'W all in T6N R7E BHM

Ques. 5. Describe your works of diversion giving length and height of each dam and state amount of water they are capable of conveying from point of diversion to place of use, and give name of canal or ditch or other works by which water is conducted to such place of use, and date of completion of same.

Ans. _____

Ques. 6. State for what purpose water is used and describe place of use. (If for irrigation, name each subdivision in which used, and number of acres in each subdivision that have ACTUALLY been irrigated with said water.)

Ans. Used for irrigation. See attached list.

Ques. 7. If for other than irrigation purpose, state how applied, amount of horse power generated, etc.

Ans. Not so used.

Ques. 8. What is the minimum amount of water required for the use specified above?

Ans. 2 cu. ft./sec.

Ques. 9. If you are not the person or representative of the corporation to whom above mentioned permit was originally issued, please state how ownership was acquired by present holder.

Ans. No permit issued

Ques. 10. State when, how, in what amount and to what extent, the water diverted under above mentioned permit has been used.

Ans. Work in Sec. 20 was done in 1953. That in Sec. 19 was done in the ~~late~~ late 30's. Since they were installed, they have been used at all times to the fullest extent of the water available.

(Sign) Charles L. Johnson

I hereby certify that the foregoing testimony was read to the above subscriber before its signing, that I believe him to be the person he represents himself to be, and that said testimony was subscribed and sworn to before me, at my office in Sturgis, County of Deade

State of South Dakota, on this 18th day of February A. D. 1961

Witnesses. James L. Johnson

Notary Public.

My commission expires 12/7/68

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am a duly qualified elector residing in the immediate vicinity of the diversion works designated in the foregoing testimony, that I have no interest in the works, water or land above described, that I have read the foregoing testimony and that I know of my own personal knowledge that the matters therein stated are true.

Clayton Thompson
Charles H. Rose

Location No. _____

PROOF OF APPLICATION OF
WATER TO BENEFICIAL USE

PETITION OF HOLDER

Amount of Water _____ c. f. s.

Source _____

County _____

Purpose _____

Place of Use _____

Date of recording _____

Received and filed _____

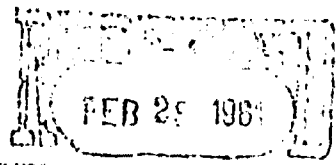
LOCATION OF LANDS TO BE IRRIGATED

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					6.4

TOTAL 140.3

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STATE WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

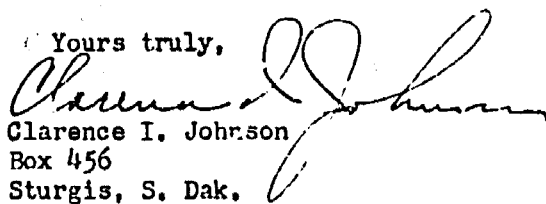
Sturgis, S. Dak.
Feb 27. 1961.

Water Resources Commission
State Office Building
Pierre, S. Dak.

Dear sirs;

In reply to the inquiry of Mr. Burton F. Jones, Water Right Specialist, about the diversion on section 19, the spreader ditches, and other controls were completed in the fall of 1954, and the system has been used continuously since, whenever water has been available.

Yours truly,


Clarence I. Johnson
Box 456
Sturgis, S. Dak.

RECEIPT

WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION

State of South Dakota

No 4 8241

PIERRE, _____ Date 1, 10, 81

RECEIVED OF Jim D & Peggy I Sigman, Howes Rt., Box 13, Sturgis, SD 57785

the following amount in fees for services rendered as provided for by law:

Fee for Application for Permit to Appropriate Water No. _____ (examination, processing, recording and filing) _____		
Fee for inspecting Construction, and issuing Cert. of Construction No. _____		
Fee for inspecting Beneficial Use, and issuing Water License No. _____		
Fee for issuing Location Certificate-Dry Draw, No. _____		
Fee for filing _____ transfer of WR# 54111	2	50
Fee for certified copy of _____		
Fee for Print copy of map _____		
Fee for Certifying _____		
Fee for _____		
(any other work as provided by law)		
TOTAL	2	50

WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION

By *(Signature)*
Chief Engineer, Executive Officer

NO. 541-1

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF WATER PERMIT

TO: Water Rights
Foss Building
Pierre, SD 57501

Date: July 25, 1981

This is to notify you that the title to the lands described as follows:

S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 19, and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 20, T6N, R7E

formerly owned by Clarence I Johnson

has been transferred to Jim D & Peggy I Sigman, Howes Route, Box 13, Sturgis, SD 57785
together with any rights to the beneficial use of water thereon as evidenced by
Water Right Permit No. 541-1 as provided for in SDCL 46-5-32 and 46-5-33.

You are therefore hereby requested to file this "Notice of Transfer of Water Permit" in its appropriate file at the Office of Water Rights, Water Management Board as evidence of the change of ownership.

A fee of Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$2.50) is hereto attached to cover filing fees as required under SDCL 46-2-13.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
County of Meade) ss.

I, Jim D. Sigman being first duly sworn on my oath depose and say:
That my relation to the above described undertaking is that of Owner, that I have read the above foregoing statement, and I know of my own personal knowledge that the information herein stated is true.

Jim D. Sigman
Peggy I. Sigman (Signed)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th Day of July, 1981.

Rebal Anthony
(Notary Public)

My Comm. Expires June 2, 1985

 **Department of
Water & Natural Resources**

Joe Foss Building
523 East Capitol
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3181

September 21, 1988

NOTICE

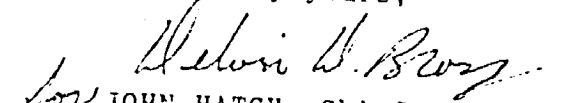
Jim D & Peggy Sigman
Howes Rt, Box 12
Sturgis SD 57785

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Sigman:

I am writing to notify you that pursuant to the Notice of Intent to Validate Vested Water Right Claims dated June 20, 1988 that I intend to oppose validation of your water right claim No(s). 541-1 until a field inspection has been completed. The claim has either never been inspected or an inspection was conducted so long ago that a new inspection is needed. An inspection is needed to determine the current state of your vested water right claim.

A staff member from the Division of Water Rights will be contacting you and scheduling an inspection of your water project. If we can answer any questions, please contact us.

Very truly yours,


for JOHN HATCH, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Division
605 773-3352



Water Rights Division - DWLR

File No. 541-1

Conversation or File Documentation

NAME OF PERSON OR FILE: Jim SigmanADDRESS: Howes Route, Box 13 Sturgis, SD COUNTY MeadeDATE: 4-10-89 TELEPHONE 347-3179RE: Validation of Vested Right #541-1

COMMENTS:

On this date I spoke with Mr. Sigman and inspected the water spreading system described in V.R. 541-1. The system has been developed and used. The acreages are the same as described in the license. Vested Right 541-1 should be validated as licensed.

File in Permit or other file as necessary. Use to document conversations and what the other party was told; why action or decision was made.

4/82

NAME: James L. Winkler

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SOUTH DAKOTA

VESTED WATER RIGHT NO. 541-1 FOR IRRIGATION

Date of Receipt of Claim February 23, 1961.

Date of Validation September 30, 1992.

The Water Management Board validated Vested Water Right Claim No. 541-1 for irrigation purposes for Jim D. and Peggy I. Sigman, Howes Pt., Box 12, Sturgis, South Dakota, 57785 with the following limitations, conditions and qualifications:

1. Vested Water Right No. 541-1 appropriates 2.0 cubic feet per second of water from dry draws to irrigate 140.3 acres. The points of diversion are located between the SE1/4 SW1/4 Section 19 and the NE1/4 NE1/4 Section 29, T6N, R7E. The irrigated lands are located in the S1/2 NE1/4, SE1/4 Section 19; NW1/4 SW1/4, SE1/4 Section 20; all in T6N, R7E.
2. The appropriation may not exceed the amount of water needed for beneficial use for irrigation. The appropriation may not exceed 3 acre feet per irrigated acre per year. Water is to be used during the following annual period: January 1 to December 31.
3. The priority dates of the Vested Water Right are:
January 1, 1939 - 0.67 cfs
January 1, 1953 - 1.33 cfs
4. The water use system has been constructed and water has been applied to beneficial use.
5. Water rights obtained in compliance with the laws of the State of South Dakota may not be unlawfully impaired by this appropriation.

WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

By: _____


Chief Engineer

MAR 5 1993

date

Division of Water Rights
Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources



MAR 5 1993

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DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENT
and NATURAL RESOURCES

JOE FOSS BUILDING
523 EAST CAPITOL
PIERRE SOUTH DAKOTA 57501-3181

Jim D and Peggy I. Sigman
Howes Rt, Box 12
Sturgis SD 57785

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Sigman:

The Water Management Board has validated the enclosed Vested Water Right No. 541-1. This validation gives legal status to the claim and is the final document for your vested right.

As long as you use the water beneficially, as stated in the validation, State Water Laws provide that you have a continuing right to use the water.

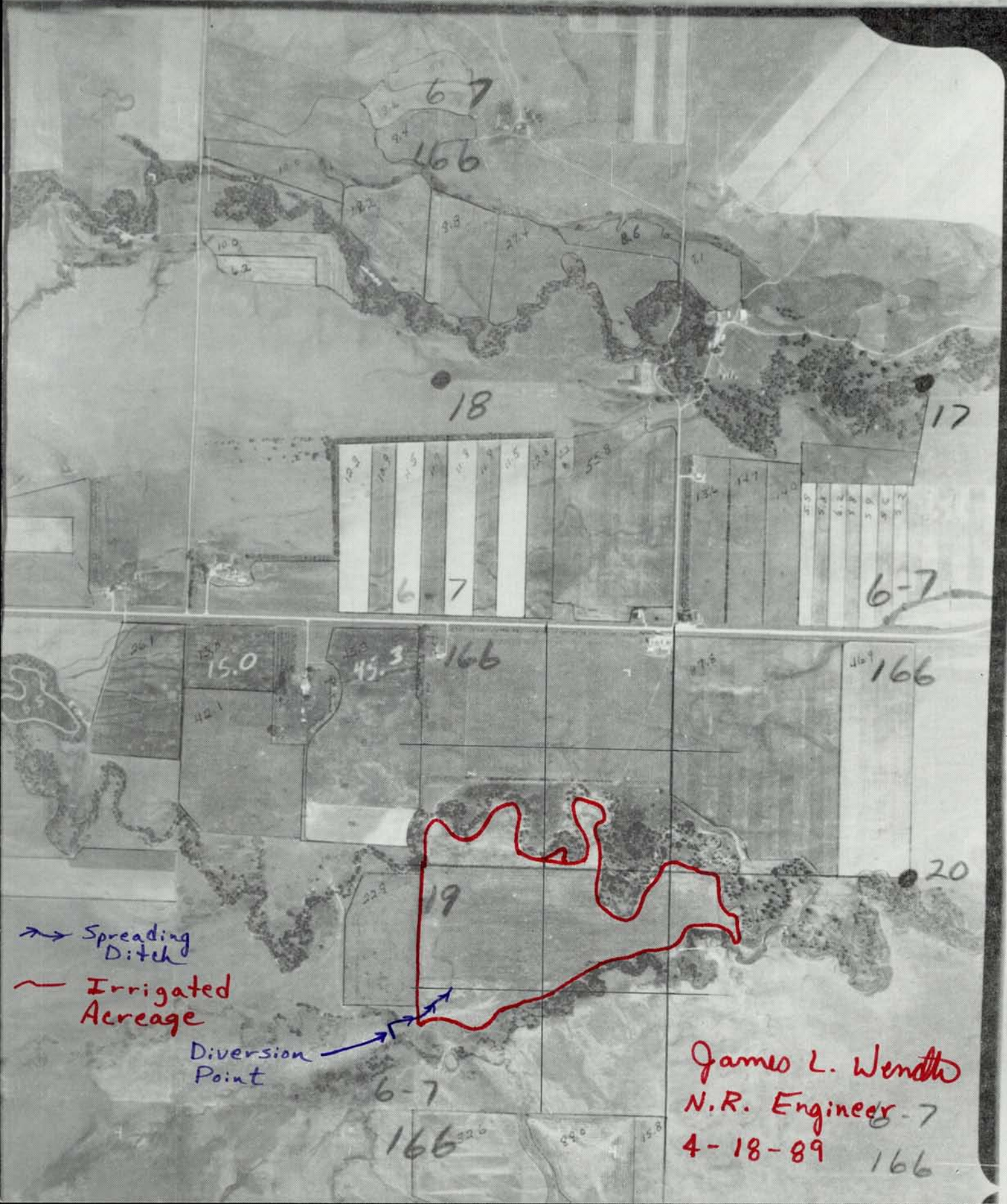
Very truly yours,

JOHN HATCH, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Division
605 773-3352

enclosure

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NOT TO SCALE

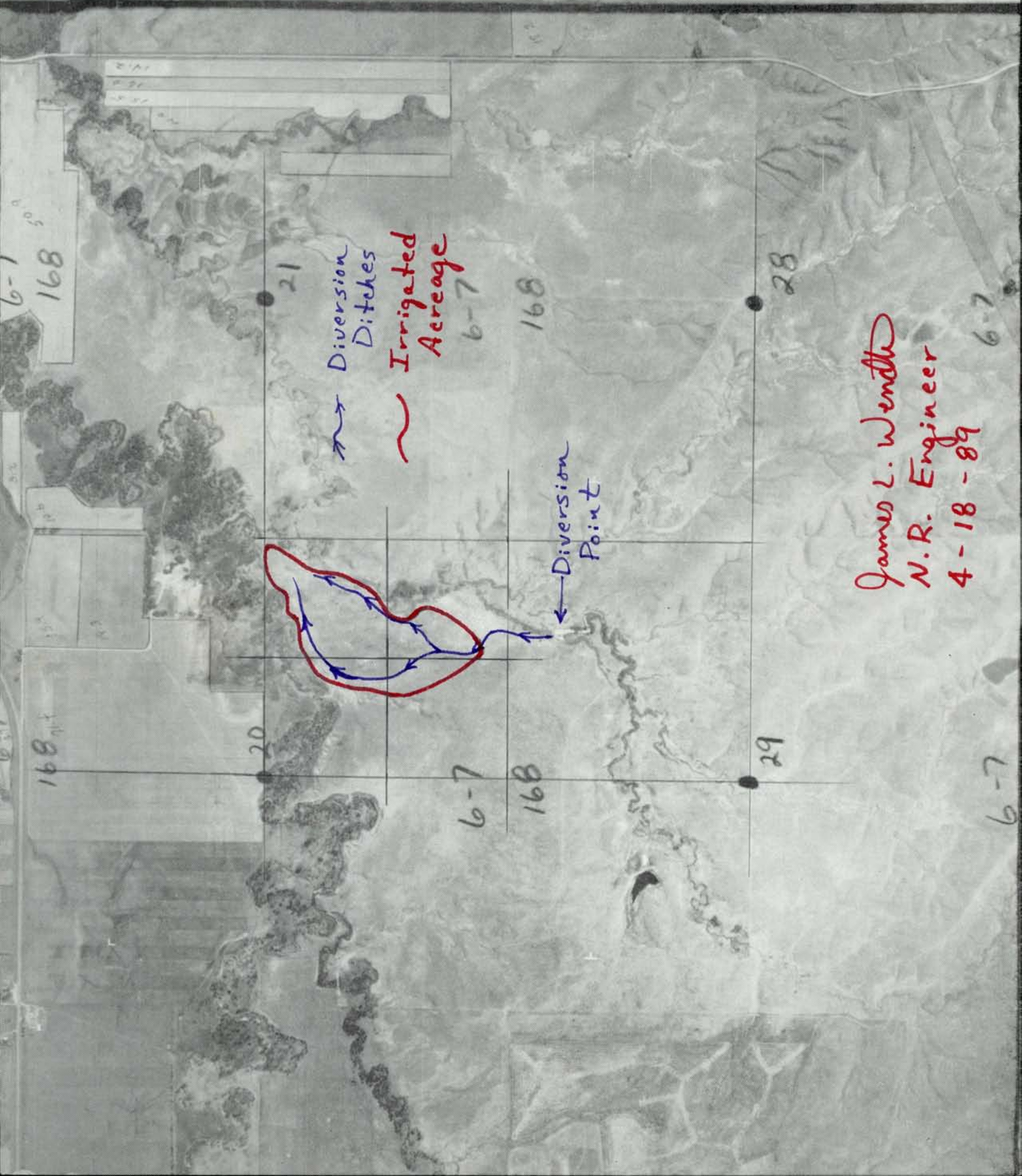


→ Spreading Ditch
~ Irrigated Acreage

Diversion Point

James L. Wendt
N.R. Engineer - 7
4-18-89

NOT TO SCALE



James L. Wendt
N.R. Engineer
4-18-89