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1. Considered May 17, 19 62
2. Name of Applicant Weldon E. Blair
3. Post Office Address Waco
4. Amount of water claimed 2.0
5. Source of water supply East & West Blair Dams
6. Water to be used for Irrigation
 Acres to be irrigated 145
7. Water to be diverted and used in Meade County
 about 8 1/2 miles SE of Sturgis
8. Proof of Publication
 Received _____
 Not Received X
9. Application
 Approved _____
 Subject to Proof
 Not Approved _____
 Action deferred Proof
10. Remarks:

No. 792-1Water Division No. 1Belle Fourche River

(Blanks to be filled by the Engineer for the W. H. O.)

MAR 24 1917

8:15 am

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

STATE WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

To appropriate Water within the State of South Dakota

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

1. Name of applicant

Veldone Blair

VELDON B. Blair

Postoffice address

Vale

VALE

County

Meade

MEADE

State

SOUTH DAK.

V.

I. If a corporation

A PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

(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)

(b) Cash on hand, \$

(c) Treasury stock, \$

(d) Bonds to be issued, \$

(e) Other resources, \$

2. Name of diversion work

THE VELDON B. BLAIR SPREADER IRRIGATION PROJECT

3. Amount of water claimed

2.0

cubic feet per second

4. Source of water supply

EAST AND WEST BLAIR DRAW

5. Location of point of diversion

Between a point on East Blair Draw which lies S 45° W 1452' from E $\frac{1}{4}$ cor. Sec. 36, T. 7 N., R. 5 E. 9th and a point 1120' W of N $\frac{1}{4}$ cor. Sec. 30 T. 7 N. R. 6 E.

also

Between a point on West Blair draw N 77° 17' W from NE Cor. Sec. 36 T. 7 N R. 5 E and a point 100' West of the NE Cor. Sec. 25, T. 7 N., R. 5 E. 9th

(a) Number of acres to be irrigated 145 acres.

(b) Legal subdivisions to be irrigated

SE-NE-5 ac., NE-SE-33 ac.; SE-SE-10 ac Sec. 25, T. 7 N., R. 5 E. 9th total 48 a

SE-NE-8 ac., NE-SE-10 ac., Sec. 36, T. 7 N., R. 5 E. 9th total 18 a

NE-NW-12 ac., SE-NW-10 ac., SW-NE-10 ac., NW-SE-9 ac., NE-SW-9 ac

SE-SW-3 ac., SW-SE-26 ac. Sec. 30, T. 7 N., R. 6 E. 9th total 79 ac
Grand Total 145 ac(b) Amount of power to be generated none horse power.Amount claimed for engine cooling none

(c) Location of plant

none

(d) Method of developing power

none

(e) Point where water will be returned to stream

X X X X

Map 4 669-1

8. Estimated cost of work:

(a) Head Gates, \$..... (b) Pumping plant, \$.....
(c) Fluming, \$..... (d) Canal-earth, \$..... Rock, \$.....
(e) Other structures \$..... Total, \$.....

9. Description of diversion works: Dikes and ditches - - Earth moving - - \$1000.00

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

Numerous spreader dikes and a few short ditches with some land leveling.

II. Dimensions of works.

(a) Dam: Height.....feet; length at bottomfeet; length at topfeet; thickness at bottomfeet; thickness at topfeet; slope at front water face; slope at back face
material used in construction

(b) Reservoir: Capacity when filledacre feet. Surface area at highwater mark.....acres.

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

(c)* Head gate: Width.....feet; heightfeet;
Material

(d) Canal: Total lengthmiles.

LOCATION BELOW HEADGATE	DEP	BOTTOM WIDTH	WIDTH AT WATER-LINE	GRADE PER 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 work5.....years.

11. Time required for complete application of water to the proposed beneficial use5..... years.

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

THE-STURGIS-TRIBUNE, STURGIS, SOUTH DAKOTA

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

County of Meade ss.

I, Weldon E. Blair, 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 Weldon E. Blair

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of February, 1967

W. M. (Blair)
Notary Public (or other qualified officer.)

*Each diversion must have a headgate or measuring device.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
NOTARY PUBLIC, My Comm. Exp. 12, 1968

PLAT
The Veldon Blair Sprinkler Project, situated in Sections 25 and 36 T.7 N.
R.5 E-BLK and Section 30, T.7 N., R.6 E-BLM all in Meade County South Dakota
and covering lands owned by Veldon E. Blair of Vale, South Dakota.

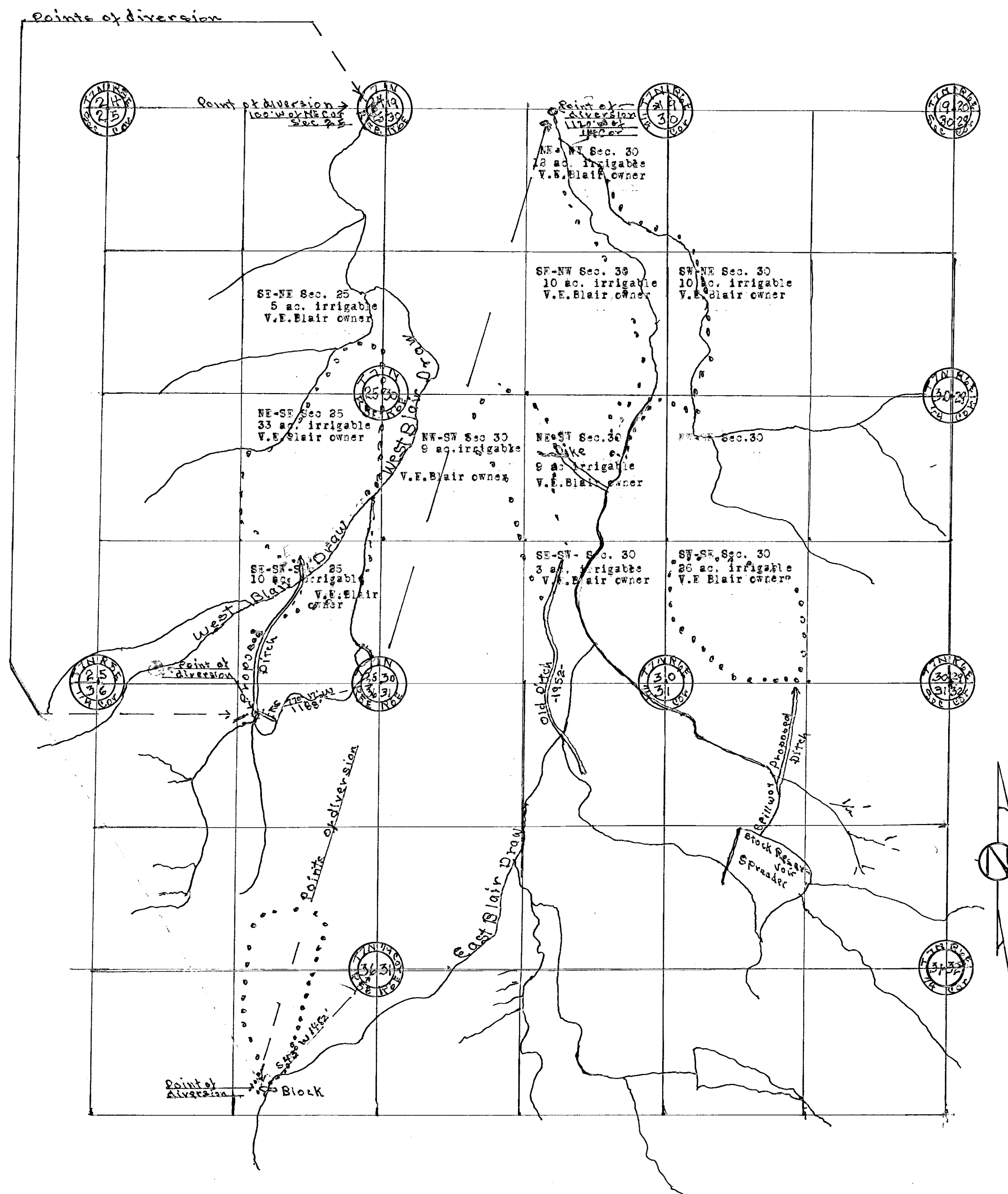
Scale 8 inches = 1 mile
660 feet = 1 in.

I, Carl W. Cornell, Licensed Surveyor in and for the State of South Dakota do hereby certify that, at the request of Vidua E. Blum of Val, South Dakota I have made a survey of the area indicated hereon and prepared this plat of the same for the purpose of furnishing the required plat of the irrigable areas embraced in his Application for a Permit to appropriate water for irrigator purposes. I further certify that the bearings and lengths of all lines shown and their location with reference to the Government Land Corners show are correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to this 8th day of March, 1967. *Carl V. Corbett* SEAL
Carl V. Corbett, licensed
Surveyor # 144

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Buffalo, South Dakota this 8th day of March 1967. *M R 36*

Notary Public. (SEAL)



Map # 669-1 (App # 747-1)

Remarks by State Water Resources Commission:

The diversion rate limitation of 1 cubic foot per second for each 70 acres irrigated shall not apply to this Dry Draw irrigation diversion during periods of flood flows, when such flows are in excess of the amount of water required to satisfy domestic use requirements and other water rights.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
County of Hughes ss.

Pierre, South Dakota, May 17, 1967

This is to certify that the foregoing application was received by the Commissioner at 8:15 o'clock A.m. upon the 24th day of March, 1967.

State Water Resources Commission

By: Richard D Schroyer
7- Chief Engineer, Executive Office.

Number of permit 797-1

Date of first receipt of application March 24, 1967

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 March 24, 1967

Approved May 17, 1967, Recorded in Book 9 Page 254

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 November 17, 1967

2nd. The whole of said work is to be completed on or before May 17, 1972

3rd. The limit of time for proof of beneficial use of water appropriated in accordance herewith is May 17, 1972

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

and beneficially applied for irrigation on or before May 17, 1972; said water to be used during the following described annual period:

April 1st through November 1st

Witness my hand this 19th day of May, 1967.

State Water Resources Commission

By: Richard D Schroyer
Chief Engineer, Executive Officer

Certificate of Construction Issued AUGUST 15, 1967

Water License Issued AUGUST 15, 1967

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

WATER LICENSE No. 797-1

WHEREAS, On the 24th day of March A. D. 1967
Veldon E. Blair
of Vale County of Meade and State of
South Dakota duly made application (No. 797-1) to us for a permit to use 2.0
cubic feet per second of the waters of East and West Blair Draw
County of Meade State of South Dakota, for irrigation
purposes; and

WHEREAS, On the 19th day of May A. D. 1967
Permit No. 797-1 was issued to said applicant for the diversion of said water, and providing for the
completion of the works of diversion therein described on or before the 17th day of
May A. D. 1972 and for the application to beneficial use of said
water on or before the 17th day of May A. D. 1972
and,

WHEREAS, On the 8th day of August A. D. 1967
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. 797-1
dated August 15, 1967 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 or
priority of March 24, 1967 and,

WHEREAS, On the 8th day of August A. D. 1967
proof was duly made of the application to beneficial use of 1.74 cubic feet per second of said water;
for irrigating 122 acres in portions of Sections 25 and 36,
T7N, R5E and Section 30, T7N, R6E.

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 Veldon E. Blair
 of Vale the holder and owner of said permit No. 797-1
 a water right, dating from March 24, 1967 to the use of 1.74
 cubic feet per second of the waters of East and West Blair Draw
 in the County of Meade and State of South Dakota, or so much thereof as may be
 necessary for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, to be diverted between points in the NE 1/4 NE 1/4,
Section 36 and in the NE 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 25, T7N, R5E
 and conducted to and upon portions of Sections 25 and 36, T7N, R5E, and Section 30
T7N, R5E. more specifically described in the Certificate of Completion
of Works
 for the purpose of irrigation, subject to any limitations listed in the
permit to appropriate water, and

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 15th day of August A. D. Nineteen
 Hundred and Sixty-seven

State Water Resources Commission

By:

J.W. 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. 797-1

Belle Fourche
Water Division No. 1 **River** Water District

Certificate of Completion of Works

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to Certify, That Valdon E. Blair

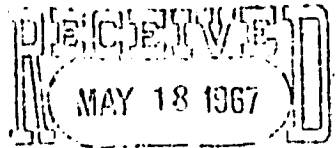
of Valle, County of Meade, and State of South Dakota, the holder of Permit No. 797-1, issued upon Application No. 797-1, bearing date of priority of March 24, 1967, authorizing the diversion of 2.0 cu. ft. per second of the waters of East and West Blair Draw County of Meade, State of South Dakota, at between points in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 36, and in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 25, T7N, R5E

for irrigation purposes, 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 found in 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:

<u>T7N, R5E, Section 25</u>	<u>SE$\frac{1}{4}$ NE$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>5 Acres</u>
	<u>NE$\frac{1}{4}$ SE$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>33 Acres</u>
	<u>SE$\frac{1}{4}$ SW$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>10 Acres</u>
<u>Section 36</u>	<u>SE$\frac{1}{4}$ NE$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>8 Acres</u>
	<u>NE$\frac{1}{4}$ SE$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>11 Acres</u>
<u>T7N, R6E, Section 30</u>	<u>NE$\frac{1}{4}$ NW$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>12 Acres</u>
	<u>SE$\frac{1}{4}$ NE$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>10 Acres</u>
	<u>SW$\frac{1}{4}$ NE$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>10 Acres</u>
	<u>NE$\frac{1}{4}$ SW$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>11 Acres</u>
	<u>NW$\frac{1}{4}$ SW$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>9 Acres</u>
	<u>SE$\frac{1}{4}$ SW$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>3 Acres</u>
	Total	122 Acres

Witness my hand this 15th day of August A. D. 1967

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

STATE WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION
SOUTH DAKOTASTATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
County Meade) ss.

Morris G. Hallock being duly sworn, deposes and says the annexed printed copy of Notice of Intention to Appropriate Water was taken from the _____
Sturgis Tribune a newspaper which during the whole itme of publication of said notice herein after stated, has been and is printed and published in the _____ city _____ of _____ Sturgis County of _____ Meade and State of South Dakota; that the said notice was published in said newspaper on the following dates:

April 5
April 12
April 19
April 26

in each and every issue of the full number thereof, the first publication being made on the 5 day of April 1967 and the last publication on the 26 day of April 1967, upon which days or times of publication aforesaid the newspaper was regularly published, and that during the whole time of said publication he was _____ the printer and publisher of the said newspaper.

Morris G. Hallock

No. 797-1
 APPROPRIATION OF WATER
 Office of State Water
 Resources Commission,
 Pierre, S. Dak., March 27,
 1967.

Notice is hereby given that Veldon E. Blair whose post-office address is Valde, South Dakota, has made an application in accordance with the provisions of the water laws of South Dakota for a permit to appropriate for beneficial use 2.0 cubic feet of water per second of time from the East and West Blair Draw through the Blair Spreader No. 1, the points of diversion of which are to be located on both

banks of said stream between the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 36, and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 25, both in T 1 N, R 1 E and between the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 30, Twp. 7N, Range 6E, and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 36, Twp. 7N, Range 5E. Said water to be used for the purpose of providing irrigation on portions of the following described land:
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 25, T 1 N, R 1 E; SE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 36, T 1 N, R 1 E; E $\frac{1}{2}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 30, T 1 N, R 1 E.

This application will be taken up by the State Water Resources Commission at their office at Pierre for consideration upon the 17th day of May, 1967 at 2:00 P.M. All interested persons may appear and be heard.

Appropriate action will be taken by the Water Resources Commission after suitable time has elapsed for the consideration of any or all information presented.

State Water Resources Commission
 By: RICHARD D. SCHMOYER
 Water Right Specialist
 Trib April 5-12-19-26

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of April A. D. 1967

Bob Lee
 Bob Lee

Notary Public Meade County, S. D.

Form 8 - Notice of Intention to Appropriate Water

No. 797-1

On or before
(First Publication April 20, 1967)

APPROPRIATION OF WATER

Office of State Water Resources Commission,

Pierre, S. Dak., March 27, 1967

Notice is hereby given that Veldon E. Blair whose postoffice address is Vale, South Dakota, has made an application in accordance with the provisions of the water laws of South Dakota for a permit to appropriate for beneficial use 2.0 cubic feet of water per second of time from the East and West Blair Draw through the Blair Spreader #1, the points of diversion of which are to be located on both banks of said stream between the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 36, and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 25, both in T7N, R5E and between the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 30, Twp. 7N, Range 6E, and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 36, Twp. 7N, Range 5E. Said water to be used for the purpose of providing irrigation on portions of the following described land:

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 25, T7N, R5E; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 36, T7N, R5E; E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 30, T7N, R6E.

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State Water Resources Commission

By:

RICHARD D. SCHMOYER
Water Right Specialist

CC: Morris G. Hallock, Publisher
Sturgis Tribune
Sturgis, S.D.

Permit No. 797-1Belle Fourche River
Water Division No. 1 Water District

Certificate of Examination of Works

Report of Examining Engineer

To the State Water Resources Commission, Pierre, South Dakota:

Learn, Sirs: I hereby certify that ~~in accordance with your letter of authorization dated~~ March 24, 1967, I have this day made a thorough examination of the diversion works constructed by Valdon E. Blair of Vale Meads County, South Dakota, holder of Permit No. 797-1, issued upon Application No. 797-1, bearing date of priority of March 24, 1967, authorizing the diversion of 2.0 cu. ft. per second of the waters of East & West Blair Draw for irrigation purposes. I have to report on the condition of the same as follows:

The diversion works comprise: Dams, dikes and ditches as shown on water right map 669-1 except the proposed ditch in NW 1/4 NE 1/4 section 31, T7N, R1E was not constructed.

and the system is in the following condition: Fair

The point of diversion is located As shown on water right map No. 669-1

The works are capable of diverting and conveying to the place of use 2.0 cu. ft. per second of water, which is to be used for irrigation

The legal sub-divisions to be irrigated are: Section 30, T7N, R6E

<u>Section 25, T7N, R5E</u>	<u>Section 30, T7N, R5E</u>	<u>NE 1/4 NW 1/4 12 AC</u>	<u>NE 1/4 SW 1/4 11 AC</u>
<u>SE 1/4 NE 1/4 5 AC</u>	<u>SE 1/4 NE 1/4 5 AC</u>	<u>SE 1/4 NW 1/4 10 AC</u>	<u>NW 1/4 SW 1/4 9 AC</u>
<u>NE 1/4 SE 1/4 33 AC</u>	<u>NE 1/4 SE 1/4 11 AC</u>	<u>SW 1/4 NE 1/4 10 AC</u>	<u>SE 1/4 SW 1/4 3 AC</u>
<u>SE 1/4 SW 1/4 10 AC</u>			

comprising a total of 122 acres of land.

The domestic use intended comprises Incidental livestock watering

The utilization for power, mining, or other beneficial uses comprises:

Witness my hand, this 5th day of August, A. D. 1967.

—SEAL—

Donald W. Nicol
Examining Engineer,
Deputy Chief Engineer

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United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
Great Plains Region
Belle Fourche Projects Office
P.O. Box 226
Newell, South Dakota 57760-0226

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Mr. John Hatch, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Division
South Dakota Department of Water and Natural Resources
523 E. Capitol
Pierre SD 57501-3181

Subject: Vested Water Right Claims in Western South Dakota (Your Letter
Dated April 20, 1993) (Water Rights)

Dear Mr. Hatch,

We have reviewed the vested water right claims located in Perkins, Pennington, Fall River, and Butte Counties as listed in your letter dated April 20, 1993. We have also discussed these rights with contract water users. We appreciate the assistance of your staff in providing documentation of inspections and validation proceedings for specific claims as we requested.

We are satisfied with all of the actions taken by the board. Our intent in opposing validation of the water rights was to assure that all of the rights were reviewed prior to validation. That review has been completed by your staff. Thank you for notifying us of the board's actions and extending the opportunity to reconsider the actions if it would have been deemed necessary. We understand that future rectification will be made in advance of board actions.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact Craig Kjar or me at (605) 456-2695.

Sincerely,

Bruce M. Laymon
Bruce M. Laymon
Project Manager

cc: Mr. Joe Kramer, Manager
Angostura Irrigation District
PO Box 346
Oral SD 57766

Mr. James E. Winterton, Project Manager
Belle Fourche Irrigation District
PO Box 225
Newell SD 57760