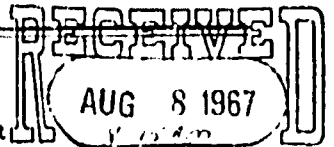


1. Considered Sept 20, 1967
2. Name of Applicant Fox Turkey Farm Inc
3. Post Office Address Waterbury
4. Amount of water claimed 111
5. Source of water supply Big Sioux River
6. Water to be used for irrigation
- Acres to be irrigated 392
7. Water to be diverted and used in Redington County
about 6.5 miles 1 E of Waterbury.
8. Proof of Publication Received _____
Not Received 1
9. Application Approved _____
Subject to _____
Not Approved _____
Action deferred irrigation
10. Remarks:

No. 1437-3Water Division No. 3 Big Sioux River District
(Blanks to be filled by the Engineer for the W. R. C.)STATE WATER RESOURCES COMM.
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

To appropriate Water within the State of South Dakota

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

1. Name of applicant FOX TURKEY FARMS, INC.
 Postoffice address Watertown, S. Dak. County Codington State S. DAK.

I. If a corporation

(a) Name of same FOX TURKEY FARMS, INC.
 (b) Date and place of incorporation 5-26-56 - Watertown, S. Dak.
 (c) Amount of capital stock 100,000
 (d) Amount paid in 100,000
 (e) Names and addresses of directors W. S. FOX - 5555 S. Dakota, Rel-Chicago
G. M. ZOST - 8520 Oak St - Niles, Ill.
R. E. FOX - 2333 Meadow Dr - Willmet, Ill.
J. S. FOX JR - 531 E. 1st - Willmet, Ill.

(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)

Contract

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

2. Name of diversion work FOX TURKEY FARMS Irrigation Project3. Amount of water claimed 150 ac-ft cubic feet per second 1.11 cfs4. Source of water supply Big Sioux River5. Location of point of diversion SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 34, T116N, R52Won East bank Codington County.6. Annual period or periods during which water is to be used April 1 - Nov 17. To be used for: Supplement water in pond for use under permit 1271-3 issued May 20-1966

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

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

(b) Legal subdivisions to be irrigated _____

(NOTE—A list of lands to be irrigated, giving each subdivision and fraction with acreage thereof, should be written here, or may 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 _____
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 # 878-3

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:

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

30 H.C. 1760 R.P.M. - Big Spring Reservoir

II. 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 WATERLINE	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 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 -----

Watermen Bulletin, Ogden - Waterman & Co. Inc.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

County of Cadizton } ss.

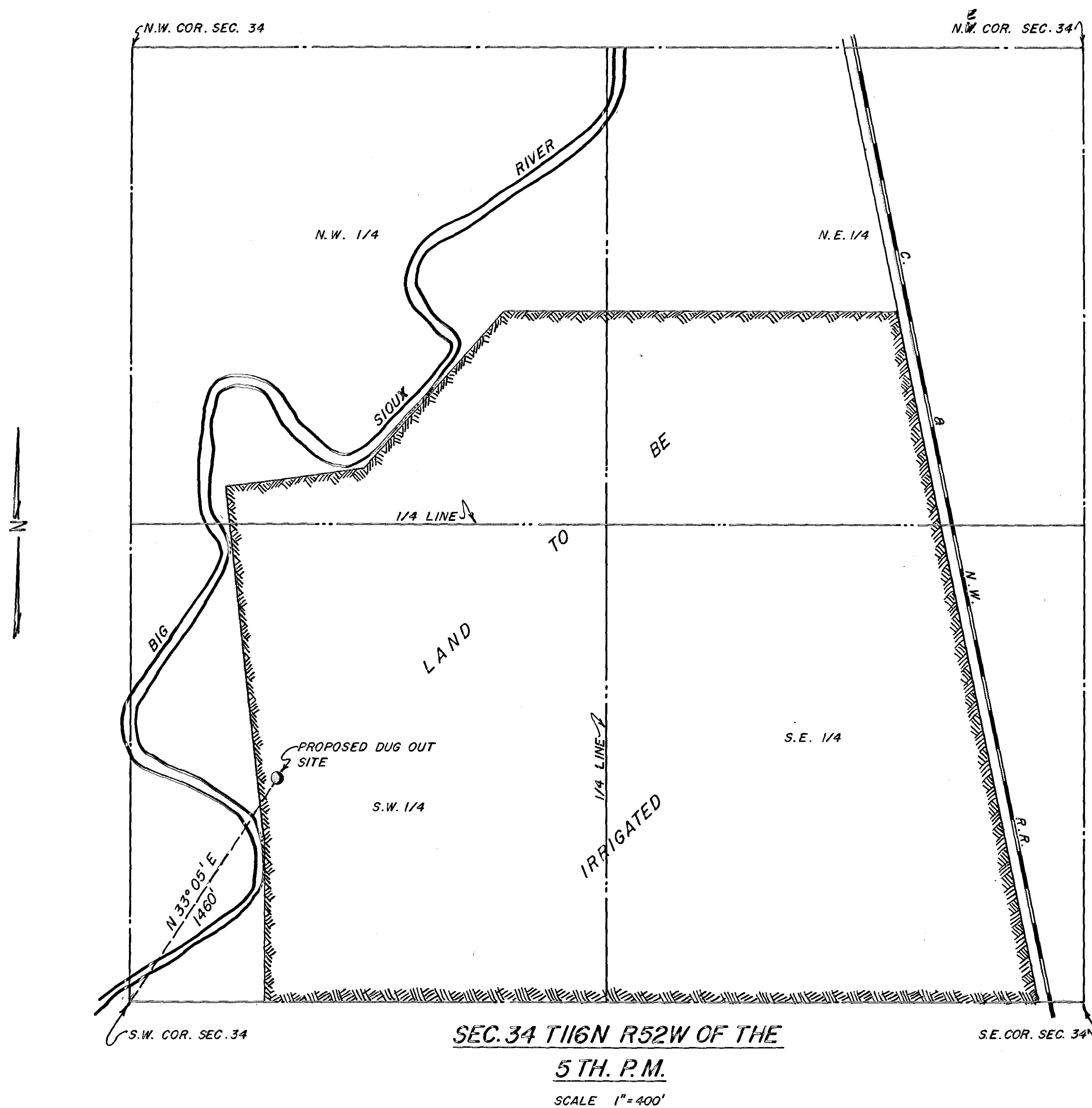
I, Ivan Willard, being first duly sworn on my oath depose and say: That my relation to the above described undertaking is that of owner, that I have read the above foregoing statement, examined the map accompanying the same, and that I know of my own personal knowledge that the matters therein stated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

Signed Ivan Willard - mg. Fox Trucking Co.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of Aug 1962

Notary Public (or other qualified officer.)

*Each diversion must have a headgate or measuring device.



SURVEYORS CERTIFICATION

I, JOHN O. BABCOCK, A REG. PROF. ENG. & LAND SURVEYOR OF WATERTOWN, S. DAK., DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT AT THE INSTANCE & REQUEST OF FOX TURKEY FARMS INC., DID ON OR PRIOR TO THE 25TH. DAY OF MARCH 1966, LOCATE BY COURSE & DISTANCE FROM THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION, THE DUG OUT SITE LOCATED IN SEC. 34 T116N R52W OF THE 5TH. P.M., CODINGTON COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ADJOINING PLAT SHOWS THE LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED DUG OUT SITE AS SURVEYED BY ME

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND & SEAL THIS 25TH. DAY OF MARCH 1966

John O. Babcock
REG. PROF. ENG. & LAND SURVEYOR

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA S.S.
COUNTY OF CODINGTON

ON THIS 25TH. DAY OF MARCH 1966 BEFORE ME THE UNDERSIGNED OFFICER, PERSONALLY APPEARED JOHN O. BABCOCK, A DULY REG. PROF. ENG. & LAND SURVEYOR IN THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, KNOWN TO ME TO BE THE PERSON DESCRIBED IN THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT & ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE EXECUTED THE SAME IN THE CAPACITY THEREIN STATED AND FOR THE PURPOSE THEREIN CONTAINED.

IN WITNESS WHERE OF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND & SEAL

Hazel Blum
NOTARY PUBLIC

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 1967

WATER RIGHTS APPLICATION MAP FOR:

FOX TURKEY FARMS INC.

SEC. 34 T116N R52W

PREPARED BY JOHN O. BABCOCK, REG. PROF. ENG. & LAND SURVEYOR
WATERTOWN, S. DAK.

Remarks by State Water Resources Commission:

Diversion of water under this permit can be made only when there is a flow of 5 or more cubic feet per second of water flowing at the diversion point.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
County of HUGHES ss.

Pierre, South Dakota, MARCH 1, 1968

This is to certify that the foregoing application was received by the Commission at 8:15 o'clock
2 m. upon the 8TH day of AUGUST, 1967.

State Water Resources Commission

By:

Burton Jones
for Chief Engineer, Executive Officer

Number of permit 1437-3

Date of first receipt of application AUGUST 8, 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 AUGUST 8, 1967

Approved NOVEMBER 8, 1967, Recorded in Book 10 Page 89

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 _____

MAY 3, 1968

2nd. The whole of said work is to be completed on or before NOVEMBER 8, 1968

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

NOVEMBER 8, 1969

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 111 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 NOVEMBER 8, 1969; said water to be used during the following described annual period:

APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1
1ST day of MARCH, 1968

Witness my hand this

State Water Resources Commission

By:

John C. Quinn
Chief Engineer, Executive Officer

Certificate of Construction Issued DECEMBER 4, 1972

Water License Issued DECEMBER 4, 1972

Remarks by the Applicant:

We have been very pleased with irrigation results on Corn to date. We find however a need for additional water to operate our system continually and we found when we were securing additional water under the temporary permit issued us on June 14-1967 from the Big Sioux River that we could more adequately put our large system to use.

We are located quite a distance from any other farms & except for cattle watering there is no water use in our area.

Form 15.

Permit No. 1437-3

Water Diversion No. 3 BIG SIOUX RIVER Water District

CERTIFICATE OF CONSTRUCTION

This is to Certify, That Fox Turkey Farm

the holder 1261-3 of
Permit No. 1437-3, issued upon Application No. 1261-3, bearing date of priority of March 28, 1966
5.6
authorizing the diversion of 1.1 cu. ft. per second of the waters of a dugout
Big Sioux River County of Codington, State of South Dakota at a point North 33° 5' East, 1460 feet from the SW Corner, Sec. 34, T136N, R52W

for irrigation

purposes, has 3 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 1.6 cu. ft. per second of water.

Date December 4, 1972

WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION

By:

J.W. GRIMES, Executive Officer

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

WATER LICENSE NO. 1437-3

(1) WHEREAS, On the 28th day of March 66
8th day of August A. D. 19 67
Fox Turkey Farm
 made Water Right Application No. 1261-3
1437-3 for a permit to use 5.6
1.1 cubic feet per second of the water-
a dugout
Big Sioux River
 County of Codington State of South Dakota for irrigation
 purposes, and

(2) WHEREAS, On the 1st day of March A. D. 19 63
 Permit No. 1437-3 with a date of priority of March 28, 1966 and August 8, 1967
 was issued to said applicant for the diversion of said water, and provided for the completion of construction of the water
 supply system therein described on or before the 8th day of November A. D. 19 68 and for the
 application to beneficial use of said water on or before the 8th day of November A. D. 19 69

and Whereas on the 13th Day of November, 1962, the Permit No. 1437-3
 was transferred to Marvin N. Czech of Watertown, S.D.

and:

(3) WHEREAS, It is hereby certified that the applicant has complied with the provisions of the laws of the State of South Dakota
 relating to completion of the construction of the water supply system and is entitled to divert 1.6 cubic feet
 per second of water for beneficial use and.

(4) WHEREAS, It is hereby certified that the applicant has complied with the provisions of the laws of the State of South Dakota
 relating to the application of water to beneficial use of the following extent.

for irrigating 140 acres in the SW portion of lot 1, Fox Subdivision, Section 34,
T116N, R52W (See copy of aerial photo and plot of lot in Water Right No. 1437-3

Folder.)

(5) 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 Marvin M. Czech

_____ of Watertown, South Dakota
the holder _____ and owner _____ of said permit No. 1437-3 a water right, dating from March 28, 1966 and
August 8, 1967 * to use of 1.6 * cubic feet per second of the waters
of a dugout
Big Sioux River
in the County of Codington and State of South Dakota, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the
purposes hereinbelow mentioned, to be diverted at a point North 33° 5' East, 1460 feet from the SW
Corner, Section 34, T116N, R52W

and conduct to and upon 140 acres in the SW portion of Lot 1, Fox Subdivision, Section 34,
T116N, R52W

* This Water License No. 1437-3 contains the pertinent portions of Water
Permit No. 1261-3 and No. 1437-3, as determined by the inspection on November 6, 1972.

for the purpose of irrigation

Subject to any limitations listed in Water Right Permit No. 1437-3 and subject to the laws of the State of South Dakota.

WITNESS, My hand and seal of our office at Pierre, South Dakota
this 4th day of December A. D.
Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-two

WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION

By:

Chief Engineer, Executive Officer J.W. GRIMES

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1437-3

Deleted Qualification:

- Diversions of water under this permit can only be made when there is flow of 5 or more cubic feet per second of water flowing at the diversion point.

New Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use including livestock water and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 5 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06479525 near Castlewood, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Prior to issuing any shut off orders, the Chief Engineer shall also take into consideration the flows at the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids and USGS Gaging Station No. 6482020 at North Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.



**DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENT
and NATURAL RESOURCES**

JOE FOSS BUILDING
523 EAST CAPITOL
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA 57501-3182

denr.sd.gov

May 22, 2018

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

1437-3 7350-3

Marvin & Maxine Czech
45848 176th St
Watertown SD 57201

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Czech:

I am writing in response to action taken by the Water Management Board on May 3, 2018, regarding the Hearing to Amend the Bypass Qualifications on Big Sioux River water rights.

Attached is the qualification that was deleted from your water right and the new qualifications.

This amendment designates a US Geological Survey gaging station as the measuring point to determine if pumping is allowed. The gaging station has real time flow information that can be accessed online at <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/sd/nwis/rt>. However, the water right is also subject to written orders of the Chief Engineer regardless of the bypass criteria.

If you have questions concerning the Board action or your water right(s), please contact Mark Rath with our program at 605 773-3352 or mark.rath@state.sd.us.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Goodman, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Program

enclosure



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May 22, 2018

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1437-3 7350-3

Jim Czech, Operator
45767 177th St
Watertown SD 57201

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Water Rights Program

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on May 22, 2018, I have personally deposited with the United States mail at Pierre, South Dakota, first class postage, prepaid envelopes containing a Notice of Entry of Order dated May 22, 2018 regarding amending bypass qualifications on Big Sioux River water rights addressed as stated below:

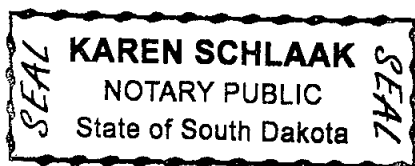
Elaine Ahlers, PO Box 186, Flandreau SD 57028
Adam Wiese, Operator, 22603 479th Ave, Flandreau SD 57028
Chad Anderson, 47880 244th St, Dell Rapids SD 57022
Ronnie J Boever, 47948 232nd St, Flandreau SD 57028
Brian Burkhardt, 24482 482nd Ave, Dell Rapids SD 57022
Jim Czech, Operator, 45767 177th St, Watertown SD 57201
Marvin & Maxine Czech, 45848 176th St, Watertown SD 57201
Dell Rocky Run Golf Course, 47364 Golf View Drive, Dell Rapids SD 57022
Allen Fugere, Operator, 700 N Main, Estelline SD 57234
W J Sanderson & Alan Blum, 703 1st Ave S, Estherville IA 51334
Darren & Allison Hamilton, 22615 480th Ave, Flandreau SD 57028
Wayne Headrick, 47926 SD Hwy 32, Flandreau SD 57028
Mrs. Raymond D Jensen & Scott Jensen, Operator, 24348 478th Ave, Dell Rapids SD 57022
Larry J Jorgenson, 24048 477th Ave, Trent SD 57065
Ted Lacey, 24064 478th Ave, Trent SD 57065
Thomas A & Patricia K Munk Revocable Living Trust, 15683 State Hwy 105, Austin MN 55912
City of Sioux Falls, Greg Anderson, 224 W 9th St, Sioux Falls SD 57102
City of Sioux Falls, Kelby Mieras, 100 E 6th St, Sioux Falls SD 57104
Diane Best, Assistant City Attorney, City of Sioux Falls, PO Box 7402, Sioux Falls SD 57117-7402

Vickie Maberry
Vickie Maberry
Secretary/Water Rights

[illegible]

Sworn to, before me, this 22nd day of May, 2018.

Karen Schlaak
Karen Schlaak
Notary Public
My Commission expires April 1, 2019



On or before **August 24**, 19**67**
 (First Publication _____)

APPROPRIATION OF WATER

Office of State Water Resources Commission,

Pierre, S. Dak., **August 8**, 19**67**

Notice is hereby given that **Fox Turkey Farms, Inc.** whose postoffice address is **Watertown, S.D.** S. Dak., has made an application in accordance with the provisions of the water laws of South Dakota for a permit to appropriate for beneficial use **1.11** cubic feet of water per second of time from the **Big Sioux River** through the **Fox Turkey Farm Irrigation Project #2** the point of diversion of which is to be located on the **left** bank of said stream in the **SW** $\frac{1}{4}$ of the **SW** $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section **34** portions of Twp. **116N** Range **52W**. Said water to be used for the purpose of providing irrigation on the following described land:

SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 34, T116N, R52W

~~Notice~~

~~XXXXXX~~

his application will be taken up by the State Water Resources Commission at their office at Pierre for consideration upon the **20 th** day of **September**, 19**67** 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:

cc: Ivan Willroth, Manager
 Fox Turkey Farms, Box 852
 Watertown, SD

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
RICHARD SCHMOYER
 Water Rights Specialist

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LEGAL NOTICE

No. 1437-3
APPROPRIATION OF WATER
 Office of State Water Resources
 Commission, Pierre, S. Dak.,
 August 6, 1967
 Notice is hereby given that Fox Turkey Farms, Inc. whose postoffice address is Watertown, S. Dak., has made an application in accordance with the provisions of the water laws of South Dakota for a permit to appropriate for beneficial use 1.11 cubic feet of water per second of time from the Big Sioux River through the Fox Turkey Farm Irrigation Project #27, the point of diversion of which is to be located on the left bank of said stream in the SW¹/₄ of the SW¹/₄ of Section 34 Twp. 116N Range 32W. said water to be used for the purpose of providing irrigation on portions of the following described land:
 SE¹/₄, SW¹/₄, S¹/₂ NW¹/₄ and S¹/₂ NE¹/₄, Section 34, T116N, R32W.
 This application will be taken up by the State Water Resources Commission at their office at Pierre for consideration upon the 20th day of September, 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 Schmoey
 Water Rights Specialist
 (August 14, 21, 28; September 4, 1967)

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STATE WATER RESOURCES COMM.
 PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, } ss.
 COUNTY OF CODINGTON }

John R. Lowrie of Watertown, S. D.,

being duly sworn, on oath says: That the WATERTOWN PUBLIC OPINION has been during all the times herein mentioned, and is a daily legal newspaper of general circulation, printed and published daily (except Sundays), in Watertown, in said county and state, by Watertown Public Opinion Co., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the state, with its main office and place of business at Watertown, S. D.; that said corporation is the owner, printer and publisher of said newspaper; and that I, the undersigned, am an officer of said corporation, to-wit: Its Assistant Publisher, and as such have charge of printing and publishing said newspaper;

And that I have personal knowledge of all the facts herein stated, and am duly authorized to make, and do make this affidavit in behalf of said corporation; and that the "Notice" headed or designated Appropriation of Water

a printed copy of which is hereunto attached, was printed and published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper, and not in supplement, for four ... successive weeks, as follows:

The 1st publication was made on the 14th day of August, 19 67..

The 2nd publication was made on the 21st day of August, 19 67..

The 3rd publication was made on the 28th day of August, 19 67..

The 4th publication was made on the 4th day of September, 19 67..

The 5th publication was made on the day of, 19

The 6th publication was made on the day of, 19

The 7th publication was made on the day of, 19

The 8th publication was made on the day of, 19

The 9th publication was made on the day of, 19

The 10th publication was made on the day of, 19

And that said newspaper has been during all the time herein mentioned, and is a legal newspaper, and has a bona fide circulation of at least 200 copies daily, and has been published in the English language, in Watertown in said Codington County, six days each week, for more than one year next prior to the first publication of said notice, and was and is printed in whole in an office maintained at Watertown, S. D., the place of publication thereof; that the full amount of the fee charged for the publishing of said notices inures to the benefit of the publisher of said newspaper; that no agreement or understanding for the division thereof has been made with any other person, and that no part thereof has been agreed to be paid to any person whomsoever, and that the fees charged for the publication thereof are \$...27.76.....

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of February, 19 68..

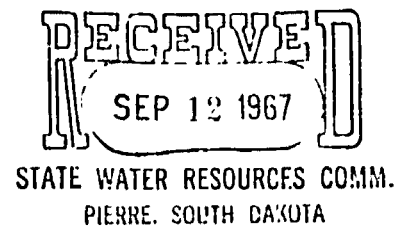
A. D. 19 68.....

(Seal)

Joseph J. Kelly
 Notary Public, Codington County, S. D.
 My Commission expires October 5, 1968

326 North Lake Drive
Watertown, South Dakota
September 11 , 1967.

Mr. J. W. Grimes
Chief Engineer and Executive Officer
Water Resources Commission
State Office Building
Pierre, South Dakota 57501



Dear Sir:

This is submitted as an objection to the application by Fox Turkey Farms Inc. for the right of appropriation of water--your number 1437-3--which application is set for hearing September 20, 1967, at 2:00 o'clock P. M.

My wife and I own the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 3, in Township 115 North, of Range 52 West of the 5th P.M., in Hamlin County, South Dakota, which is immediately South of the Fox Turkey Farms land as to which the application is made.

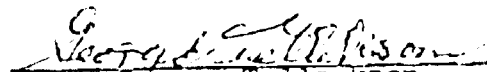
For the past two years Fox Turkey Farms has pumped water from the river at the place described in their application and both years I have noticed that our crops were only about half as good on the approximate 50 acres along the West side of our land as on the rest of the land, which was not true in other years.

The Big Sioux River runs through our land, we have a pasture which is entirely dependent upon the river for water for live stock in the pasture; with rental of the pasture probably impossible unless water is available in said river.

It is my belief that if this application is granted it will result in a shortage of water for human consumption from wells which will be affected, and also a shortage of water for live stock or land across the river from our land, and also the land farther down the river.

Because of these facts, I enter this protest against the granting of the above mentioned application, and request that such application be denied.

Respectfully submitted,


George Tellekson

WATER RIGHT APPLICATION 1437-3 Fox Turkey Farm, Inc.

At their September 1967 meeting the Commission considered water right application 1437-3 of Fox Turkey Farms, Inc. to divert 1.11 c.f.s. of water from the Big Sioux River several miles downstream from Watertown. One written protest was received from a landowner who expressed his belief that approval of the application would have an adverse effect on downstream wells, sub-moisture for crops and livestock water. The Commission deferred action on the application pending investigation by the Commission Staff.

In May of 1966 the Commission approved water right application No. 1261-3 of Fox Turkey Farm, Inc. to pump up to 5.6 c.f.s. of water from a dugout to irrigate 392 acres of land. The dugout is located about 90 feet east of the Sioux River bank. The operator, Mr. Willroth says that the dugout will furnish water for the existing pumping system (1.3 c.f.s.) for approximately an eight hour period. In June of 1967, Fox Turkey Farm, Inc. received a temporary permit to pump 1.1 c.f.s. from the Sioux River into the dugout to supplement the water supply for the original water permit No. 1261-3. Water right application No. 1437-3 requests a permanent water right for this supplemental source of water from the Sioux River.

The United States Geological Survey has been measuring the stream flows of the Sioux River several miles north of Watertown for a number of years. Shown are the average daily flows in c.f.s. for each month of the irrigation seasons between May 1961 and September 1966.

	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
1961	2.5	0.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
1962	367	418	332	60	4	2
1963	62	49	30	18	4	7
1964	51	10	3	0.9	0.8	0.2
1965	127	125	23	4	3	7
1966	41	15	7	3	1	

Low flow diversion into Pelican Lake and sewage effluent added to the flow change the flows at the proposed diversion point from those listed above. These measured flows however are an indication of the flows of the Sioux River in the area.

Water Right Application 1437-3, Fox Turkey Farm, Inc.

Section 61.0113 of South Dakota water laws specify that the Commission is to approve a water right application, if it is determined that unappropriated water is available for the benefit of the applicant. The Commission also has an obligation to see that low flows as needed are by-passed for domestic use including livestock watering.

The above flow measurements show that there is excess water during most months of May, June and July, water is usually partially available during the month of August and seldom is there an excess during the months of September and October. There is no question but that unappropriated water is sometimes available at the proposed diversion point from the Sioux River. The applicant should be encouraged to try and utilize the early season flows for irrigation and should be cautioned that low flows for domestic use and prior water rights must by-pass his pumping station.

The recommendation of the Commission Staff is that water right application No. 1437-3 be approved containing the stipulation that diversion of water can be made only when there is a flow of 5 or more c.f.s. of water flowing at the diversion point. (A sloping 15 inch diameter culvert when just full at the upstream end carries a flow of 4.0 c.f.s.)

Diversion as recommended would not adversely affect sub-moisture or shallow well supplies.

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF WATER PERMIT

TO: Water Resources Commission
State Office Building No. 2
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Date September 24, 1971

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

All of Section 34, Township 116 North, Range 52 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Codington County, South Dakota, except land east of the railroad track and Sioux River flood plains and farmstead (see attached Exhibit "A" for detail) formerly owned by Fox Turkey Farms, Inc.

has been transferred in part to Marvin M. Czech and equitable title to the balance has been transferred to Wendell P. Gnat and JoAnn C. Gnat as joint tenants, together with any rights to the beneficial use of water thereon as evidenced by Water Right Permit No. 1261-3 and 1437-3 as provided for in Section 61.0127 of the 1960 Supplement to the South Dakota Code of 1939.

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

A fee of one dollar is hereto attached to cover filing fees as required under Section 61.0159 of the 1960 Supplement to the South Dakota Code of 1939.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
County of Cook) ss.

I, G. M. Zopp, Vice President of Fox Turkey Farms, Inc., and on behalf of said corporation, 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.

G. M. Zopp
(Signed)

Suscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of October, 19 71

Charles H. Shea
(Notary Public)
Cook County, Illinois

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STATE WATER RESOURCES COM.
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

SUPPLEMENT TO FORM 20, NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF WATER PERMIT.

Water right permits 1261-3 and 1437-3 were obtained for the following described land:

All of Section 34, Township 116 North,
Range 52 West of the Fifth Principal
Meridian, Codington County, South Dakota,
except land east of the railroad track
and Sioux River flood plains and farm-
stead.

Fox Turkey Farms, Inc., the owner of the above described real estate, platted the same into a subdivision known as follows: "Lots 1, 2 & 3 of Fox Subdivision in Sec. 34 T116N R52W of the 5th P.M., Codington Co. S.Dak.", containing 392.15 acres more or less.

Lot 1 of the above described plat has been transferred to Marvin M. Czech, of Route 3, Watertown, South Dakota.

Equitable title to Lots 2 and 3 of said plat have been transferred to Wendell P. Gnat and JoAnn C. Gnat as joint tenants by contract for deed dated May 26, 1971. If the contract is fully performed the purchase price will be paid in full on or before December 1, 1981 and the legal title will be conveyed to the purchasers.

Exhibit "A"

Permit No. 1261-3 and 1437-3
 Water Division 3 BIG SIOUX RIVER Water District

REPORT OF EXAMINATION OF WORKS
 AND/OR APPLICATION OF WATER TO BENEFICIAL USE

TO: Water Resources Commission, State Office Building No. 2, Pierre, South Dakota 57501

I have this day made a thorough examination of the water use system constructed by Fox Turkey Farms, Inc.
 of Watertown, S.D. holder 1261-3 and 1437-3
 of Permit No. 1261-3 and 1437-3, bearing date of priority of 1261-3, March 28, 1966
1437-3, August 8, 1967, 1261-3, a dugout
 authorizing the diversion of 1261-3, 5.6 cu. ft. per second of the waters of 1437-3, James River
1437-3, 1.11 Big Sioux
 for irrigation purposes, in Codington County.

I have to report on the condition of the same as follows:

The Water Use System consists of,

A. Works used to divert the water:
 River Pump - "Gorman Rupp" 6 in. centrifugal pump, Mod. 66AZB powered by a Louis
Allis Electric Motor, Type 06X, 15 HP.
 Dugout 150' x 70' x 16'. Dugout pump - "Fairbank-Morse" 4 in. centrifugal pump,
 Mod. F 2K247, powered by Fairbanks-Morse, 60 HP Electric Motor, Mod. BK2K.

B. Works used to transport water to place of use,
 From river to dugout - 300 feet of 8" aluminum pipe
 Dugout to "Valley" system, 1520 feet of buried 8" steel pipe

C. Works used to apply water to beneficial use.

"Valley" water propelled center pivot sprinkler system (13 towers)

The system is in the following condition: very good
 The point of diversion is located North 33° 5' East 1460 ft. from the SW Corner, Sec. 34,
T116N, R52W

The works are capable of diverting and conveying to the place of use 1.6
 cu. ft. per second of water which is to be used for irrigation

Water has been put to beneficial use to the maximum extent as follows: 140 acres
SW Corner of Lot 1, Fox Subdivision, Section 34, T116N, R52W. (See copy
of aerial photo and plat of lot in 1437-3 Water Right file)

comprising a total of 140 acres of land.

See attachment

Date November 6, 1972

Donald Driscoll
 (Signature)

DONALD DRISCOLL, Deputy Chief Engineer, W.R.C.

1261-3 and 1437-3

Water Permit No. 1261-3 authorizes the diversion of water from a dugout to irrigate 392 acres. Water Permit No. 1437-3 authorizes the diversion of water from the ~~392~~ River to irrigate the same 392 acres. The final inspection has been completed and one irrigation system has been completed under the two permits. Thus only one water license (No. 1437-3) needs to be issued, including the pertinent portion of the two permits and Permit No. 1261-3 can then be cancelled.

Note: "Transfer of Water Permit" file 1437-3. The final inspection showed that all irrigation was on land owned by Marvin M. Czech. None of the land in which Mr. Gnat has an interest has been irrigated.

Water License and letter stating Water License is ready to be issued should be in the name of Marvin Czech, R.R. #3, Watertown, S.D., copy of notification letter should be sent to Morris C. Burns, Attorney.

Department of Natural Resources Development

WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION

Joe Foss Building, Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Phone 605/224-3151

July 27, 1976

Mr. Marvin Czech
R. R. #4
Watertown, SD 57201

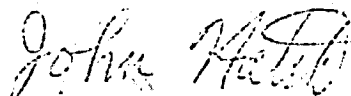
Dear Sirs:

Because of the existing deficient supply of water in the Sioux River to satisfy all authorized uses of the waters of this stream, the Water Rights Commission hereby orders that all withdrawals of water from the Sioux River for irrigation purposes between Watertown, South Dakota and Sioux Falls shall cease effective 12:00 Noon, July 30, 1976 until January 1, 1977 or until further notice.

This order is issued in accordance with South Dakota Water Laws which require the Commission to control and regulate all waters of the State to assure water for domestic supplies and prior water rights.

Please govern your use of irrigation water under your Water Right No. 1437-3 in accordance with this order. You will be notified if water supplies in this section of the Sioux River become sufficient to permit irrigation water withdrawals again during 1976. Aerial inspections of this section of the Sioux River will be made by the Staff of the Water Rights Commission.

Very truly yours,



John Hatch, Chief Engineer
WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION

JH:nlm



1437-3

**DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENT
and NATURAL RESOURCES**

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

January 30, 1996

NOTICE

TO: MARVIN CZECH, RR #4 BOX 115, WATERTOWN, SD 57201

FROM: Ron Duvall, Natural Resources Engineer
for John Hatch, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Program

SUBJECT: Violation of Requirement to Submit 1995 Irrigation Questionnaire

Our records indicate that the 1995 Irrigation Questionnaire has not been submitted for Permit No(s) 1437-3. The request for the Questionnaire was dated October 20, 1995. The Water Management Board has directed that owners of water permits who have not submitted the 1995 Irrigation Questionnaire be given notice of hearing to determine if any Board action is to be taken concerning the violation.

The hearing will be held at 9:45 am, March 6, 1996, in the Floyd Matthew Training Center, Joe Foss Building, 523 E Capitol, Pierre, SD and will be conducted pursuant to SDCL 46-1-12, 46-1-14, 46-2-9, 46-2-11 and 46-2-17. These are contested case hearings pursuant to Chapter 1-26. Following the hearing, the Water Management Board can:

1. Amend Permit No(s) 1437-3 to require the Irrigation Water Use Questionnaire to be submitted each year;
2. Postpone any action; or
3. Take no action.

The hearing is an adversary proceeding. The permit owner has the right to be present or to be represented by a lawyer. These and other due process rights will be forfeited if they are not exercised. Decisions of the Board may be appealed to the Circuit Court and the State Supreme Court as provided by law.

If the questionnaire(s) is(are) received in this office on or before March 1, 1996 your name will be deleted from the Board agenda. If you have any questions or need assistance with completion of the irrigation questionnaire(s), please contact Genny McMath at (605) 773-3352.

Note: Please contact the Water Rights Program, Joe Foss Building, 523 E Capitol, Pierre, SD (605-773-3352) to assure access to the meeting room for the handicapped or to obtain an interpreter for the hearing impaired.

SENDER:

- Complete Items 1 and/or 2 for additional services.
- Complete Items 3, 4a, and 4b.
- Put your name and address on the reverse of this form so that we can return this card to you.
- Attach this form to the front of the mailpiece, or on the back if space does not permit.
- Write "Return Receipt Requested" on the mailpiece below the article number.
- The Return Receipt will show to whom the article was delivered and the date delivered.

3. Article Addressed to:

MARVIN CZECH
RR #4 BOX 115
WATERTOWN SD 57201

5. Received By: (Print Name)**6. Signature: (Addressee or Agent)**

3 Form 3811, December 1994

I also wish to receive the following services (for an extra fee):

1. ☐ Addressee's Address
2. ☐ Restricted Delivery

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7. Date of Delivery

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8. Addressee's Address (Only if requested and fee is paid)

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Thank you for using Return



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PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA 57501-3181

February 6, 1996

1437-3

Marvin Czech
45767 177th St.
Watertown, SD 57201-7169

Dear Mr. Czech:

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your 1995 irrigation questionnaire. You may disregard the January 30, 1996, **Notice of Violation of the Requirement to Submit the 1995 Irrigation Questionnaire.**

The information was received in our office prior to the Water Management Board meeting and your name has been deleted from the agenda.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Genny McMath
Environmental Scientist
Water Rights Program
(605) 773-3352



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September 12, 2012

NOTICE OF SHUTOFF ORDER

TO: Jim Czech - Renter
45767 177th Street
Watertown SD 57201

FROM: GARLAND ERBELE, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Program

SUBJECT: Big Sioux River Shutoff Order

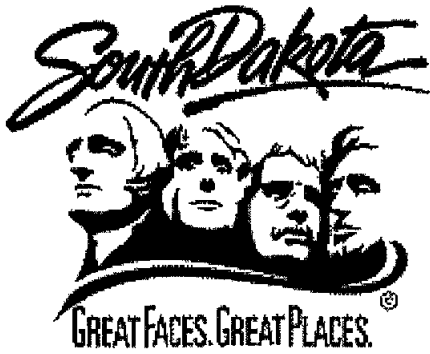
Shutoff Order for Water Right No 1437-3.

The flow in the Big Sioux River is below 1 cubic feet per second (cfs) at the USGS gaging station at Watertown and below 5 cubic feet per second (cfs) at the USGS gaging station near Castlewood, SD. A qualification under Permit No. 1437-3 states that diversions from the Big Sioux River are authorized only when flow at the diversion point is at least 5 cfs while pumping under this permit. Therefore, effective immediately, no diversion of water from the Big Sioux River is authorized under Water Permit No. 1437-3.

Flow in the Big Sioux River has dropped to the point where domestic use of water, which includes livestock watering from the river and diversions for senior water rights, have become a concern. This order will be rescinded as soon as conditions improve. If conditions do not improve, this order will remain in effect until the end of the calendar year.

I am asking for your cooperation in complying with this shutoff order. The ongoing drought is creating hardship for all the water right holders along the river. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Beck or Mark Rath with the Water Rights Program at (605) 773-3352. Thank you.

cc: Marvin Czech – Owner
45848 176th Street
Watertown SD 57201



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January 31, 2018

1437-3 7350-3

JIM CZECH
45767 177TH ST
WATERTOWN SD 57201

Subject: Bypass Qualifications on Big Sioux River Water Rights

Dear MR CZECH,

I am writing to inform you of an effort the SD Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources Water Rights Program is undertaking to review and update a number of water right permits authorized to pump water from the Big Sioux River. When a number of these permits were issued, they contained a qualification requiring a minimum flow bypass before the user is able to pump water from the river. The bypass qualification was placed on these permits to protect the use of water by downstream senior priority water right holders and domestic water users, which includes livestock watering. The review found, with the passage of time, a number of senior water right permits have been cancelled due to abandonment or forfeiture. Consequently, it may be possible to lower the flow bypass limitation on the remaining permits. In other words, the amount of flow in the river can be lower and pumping will still be allowed. The review also found an inconsistency between permits on where the bypass flow is to be measured.

The intent of this effort is to standardize and make consistent the bypass requirements for the remaining water users. In most cases, the proposed changes will reduce the flow bypass requirement on the individual permits. To make the permits consistent, the bypass measuring point will also be designated at a United States Geological Survey (USGS) stream gaging station. The USGS maintains a real-time stream gaging network on the Big Sioux River. Current river flow information can be easily accessed from the internet at the following internet address:

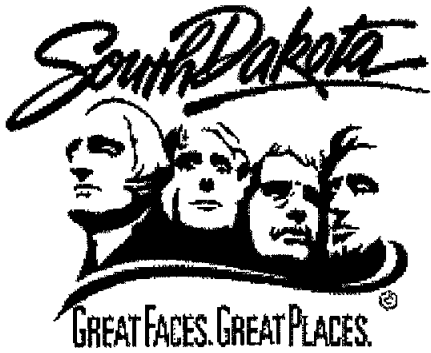
<https://waterdata.usgs.gov/sd/nwis/rt>

In order to amend a qualification on an existing water right permit, formal action by the SD Water Management Board is needed. In the next few weeks, you can expect to receive official notification scheduling a hearing before the Water Management Board. If you wish to participate in the hearing you can, but you are not required to. There will be instructions with the notification on how to participate in the hearing if you so choose.

If you have any questions concerning this effort, please contact Mark Rath of the Water Rights Program at phone (605) 773-3352.

Sincerely,


for Jeanne Goodman, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Program



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January 31, 2018

7350-3 1437-3

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45848 176TH ST
WATERTOWN SD 57201

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeanne Goodman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

for Jeanne Goodman, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Program



DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENT
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February 12, 2018

1437-3 7350-3

Jim Czech, Operator
45767 177th St
Watertown SD 57201

Subject: Bypass Qualifications on Big Sioux River Water Rights

Dear Mr. Czech:

The SD Department of Environment and Natural Resources has evaluated the minimum flow bypass condition on water rights that pump from the Big Sioux River. The Chief Engineer is recommending amending the bypass qualification on 21 Big Sioux water rights. The intent is to bring uniformity to the bypass requirement placed on water rights in past years. Water Right(s) that you own or operate are included in those proposed to be amended.

Attached is the qualification to be deleted from the water right(s) and the proposed new qualifications.

The proposed amendment to your water right will not impose a more restrictive condition than currently is in place on your water right. In some cases the bypass requirement remains the same but generally the proposed amendment decreases the minimum bypass that must exist before a user is able to pump water from the river. The amendment does designate a US Geological Survey gaging station as the measuring point to determine if pumping is allowed. The gaging station has real time flow information that can be accessed on-line at <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/sd/nwis/rt>. Many, but not all, water rights referenced the bypass being located at the pump site where there isn't real time flow information.

A hearing before the Water Management Board is scheduled at 11:30 AM, Wednesday, March 7, 2018 in the Matthew Training Center, Joe Foss Building, 523 E Capitol Avenue, Pierre SD. Enclosed is the notice to be published on or before February 15, 2018, in one newspaper from each of the seven counties that the Big Sioux River flows through. This notice provides information on filing a petition in either support or opposition to the propose amendment. The filing of a petition must be postmarked by February 26, 2018. Additionally filing a petition affords you the opportunity to participate in the March 7th hearing before the Board if you choose.

The staff report including affected water rights and the proposed changes is available at <http://denr.sd.gov/public> or contact Mark Rath at 605 773-3352 or mark.rath@state.sd.us. If you have questions, please call. DENR is willing to work to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Eric Gronlund
Water Rights Program, DENR
605 773-3352
Eric.gronlund@state.sd.us

enclosure

Proposed Qualification Revisions

In order to standardize the bypass qualifications for the two existing water rights/permits containing bypass qualifications in the Big Sioux River reach upstream from the USGS stream gaging station near Castlewood, the following changes are proposed.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1437-3

Delete Qualification:

- Diversions of water under this permit can only be made when there is flow of 5 or more cubic feet per second of water flowing at the diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 5 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06479525 near Castlewood, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Review of Big Sioux River Water Rights and Report on Proposed Amendments

February 13, 2018

Introduction

The Big Sioux River is a prairie stream with headwaters located in the northern prairie coteau in southern Roberts, eastern Day and eastern Clark counties, in northeastern South Dakota. The river drains glacial till and outwash plains as it runs southward to its junction with the Missouri River near Sioux City, Iowa. The Big Sioux River physical geography is characterized by glaciated terrain and rolling plains. Rivers commonly follow the valleys formed by glacial lobes, which were glaciated as recently as 14,000 years ago. Drainages in this region formed after retreat of glaciers and are therefore poorly established in parts of the watershed. The poorly established drainage patterns are accompanied by numerous areas of internal drainages, or “potholes,” and are commonly referred to as the “Prairie Pothole Region” (Hoogestrat and Stamm, 2015).

As is typical of prairie streams in South Dakota, the peak runoff occurs during the spring months due to plains snowpack melt and from runoff of larger rain events. Runoff tends to decrease in the late summer months going in to fall and winter.

Qualification Status

A review of Water Right Program files shows there have been 163 water right permits (water permits) issued for the Big Sioux River, some with priority dates going back to statehood. Many of these have been cancelled due to abandonment or forfeiture, some have been incorporated into other water permits and some remain active. An examination of water right files found the Water Resources Commission placed the first bypass qualification, 20 cubic feet per second (cfs) bypass at the diversion point, on a Big Sioux River water permit in Moody County in 1960 (Water Rights, 2018).

After the Water Resources Commission placed the first bypass qualification on a Big Sioux River water permit in 1960, it appears from then until the mid-1990’s, with the advent of real-time accessible stream gaging, the management of water permits from the Big Sioux River was primarily addressed on a river reach basis and the presence of senior priority water permits. Water permits issued in a similar reach with relatively similar priority dates would have the same bypass requirements. Later when water permits were issued, the bypass requirement would be incrementally increased to account for protection of the senior priority water permits (Water Rights, 2018).

The northern most river reach, from the headwaters in southern Roberts County to the Brookings – Moody county line, only has a hand full of permits issued since 1960. Bypass qualifications range from 5 cfs for those water permits issued in the mid-1960’s to 35 cfs for those issued more recently (Water Rights, 2018).

In the Big Sioux River reach from the northern border of Moody County to Dell Rapids, which has the most water permits issued, the 20 cfs bypass requirement was placed on Big Sioux River water permits from 1960 until 1966 when the bypass requirement was raised to 30 cfs for new permits issued. In 1968 the bypass requirement was raised to 35 cfs and was then incrementally increased to 50 cfs by 1976. Many of these water permits have subsequently been cancelled due to abandonment or forfeiture. The most recent water permits issued in this reach contained a 43 cfs bypass requirement (Water Rights, 2018).

In the Big Sioux River reach immediately to the south between Dell Rapids where the Big Sioux River crosses Cliff Avenue on the eastern side of Sioux Falls there have been multiple water permits issued. These contain a 20 cfs bypass requirement. Earlier issued water permits require a 20 cfs bypassed at the diversion point while the later issued ones require a 20 cfs bypass at the United States Geologic Survey (USGS) stream gaging station at North Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls (Water Rights, 2018 and USGS, 2018).

The southernmost river reach from where the river crosses North Cliff Avenue in eastern Sioux Falls to the confluence with Missouri River in southern Union County does not have any water permits with bypass requirements. This reach, even during drier climatic conditions has sufficient flow exceeding demand. The additional flow is attributed to effluent discharge from the Sioux Falls waste water treatment plant and contributions from downstream tributaries such as Split Rock Creek near Brandon (Water Rights, 2018).

Currently there are 59 active water permits authorized for the Big Sioux River from the headwaters in Roberts County to the mouth in Union County, Figure 1. There have been 49 water permits issued since 1960, when the first bypass requirement was enacted, to present which have subsequently been cancelled due to abandonment or forfeiture. Currently 21 of the existing water permits contain some sort of flow bypass qualification. When the water permits were issued with bypass qualifications, it was done because the senior priority water permits were active and being used, so the amount of the bypass requirement placed on the water permit was based on a level to protect senior priority water use. Since there has been significant attrition in the number of active water permits using Big Sioux River water since 1960, with many of them being cancelled, this leaves a somewhat disjointed system of bypass requirements for the remaining water permits. In addition, the City of Sioux Falls holds two active future use permits with 1977 priority dates reserving 30,000 acre-feet of Big Sioux River water in the river reach between the Dell Rapids gage and the North Cliff Avenue gage (Water Rights, 2018 and USGS, 2018).

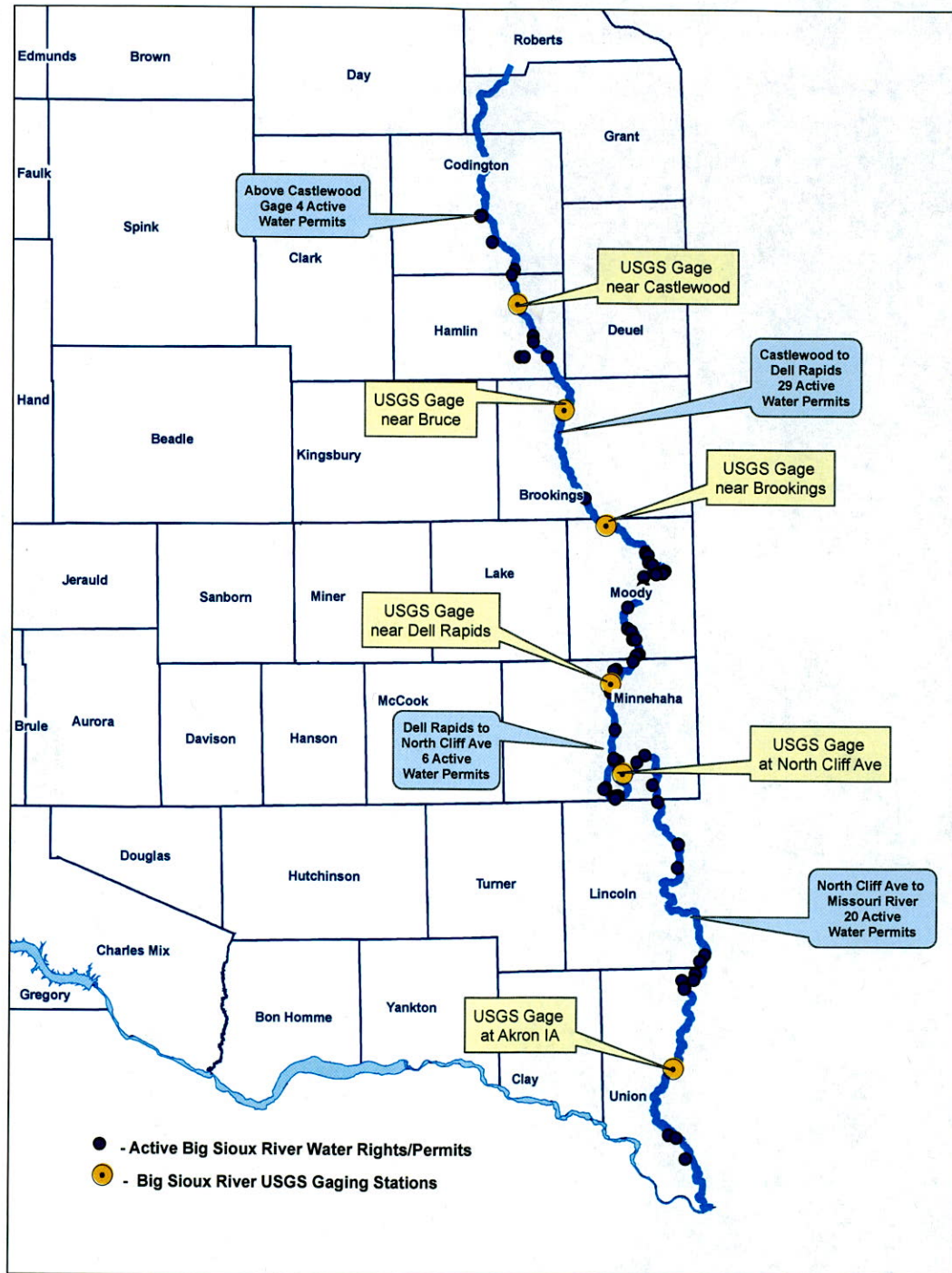


Figure 1. Area map of the Big Sioux River showing the locations of the active water rights/permits and USGS Big Sioux River stream flow gaging stations (Water Rights, 2018 and USGS, 2018).

It is proposed that the existing bypass qualifications for each of the active water permits be reviewed, taking into account the amount of bypass required, the presence of existing rights, the location of the diversions points, and the historical river flow conditions along the various reaches of the river. This review will determine if it is justified to recommend modifications of the existing bypass qualifications.

Authority

SDCL 46-1-14 gives the Water Management Board the authority to amend water right permits. Water permits issued by the board may be amended by the board with priority retained upon amendment. The board may alter terms, conditions, restrictions, qualifications or quantifications.

South Dakota Codified Law

46-1-14. Terms and conditions of permits and licenses--Amendment. The Water Management Board may issue any permit or license subject to terms, conditions, restrictions, qualifications, quantifications, or limitations on perpetuity consistent with this chapter which it considers necessary to protect the public interest and which are related to matters within the jurisdiction of the board. Water rights issued pursuant to this section may be amended by the board and priority is retained upon amendment. Upon amendment the board may alter terms, conditions, restrictions, qualifications, or quantifications consistent with this chapter.

46-2-3.1. Delegation of authority to chief engineer--Restrictions. The Water Management Board may delegate to the chief engineer authority to act on its behalf concerning the quasi-judicial functions of interpreting, applying, and enforcing existing rules and laws and ordering action or abatement of action. The board may not delegate any other quasi-judicial functions as defined in § 1-32-1, except as otherwise provided by law. The board may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 to delegate to the chief engineer the authority to issue permits pursuant to § 46-1-14.

46-2-17. Chief engineer's general enforcement authority. The chief engineer may:

- 1) Investigate the use of the waters of the state and compliance with the provisions of water permits, licenses, rules, regulations, and laws relating to water rights;
- 2) Institute enforcement and other proceedings before the Water Management Board;
- 3) Enforce orders of the board; and
- 4) Perform other acts authorized by statute or regulation.

46-2-18. Chief engineer's authority to order discontinuance of water use. The provisions of chapter 1-26 notwithstanding, the chief engineer may, after appropriate investigation, issue an order to any person to shut off or limit the person's use of surface or groundwater, or to plug or otherwise control a well. The order may be issued only to protect another user who has higher or earlier priority or to cause a user of water to discontinue the use of water to which the user has no legal right. Upon a refusal to obey the order, the chief engineer may request a court of proper jurisdiction to issue a temporary restraining order or injunction to effectuate the provisions of the order.

The 21 remaining active water permits authorized to divert water from the Big Sioux River having bypass requirements are subject to SDCL 46-2-3.1, 46-2-17, and 46-2-18, as are all water permits. These statutes give the Chief Engineer the ability to issue written orders within the context of authority granted under the statutes. The remaining 37 active water permits without any bypass requirements authorized to use Big Sioux River water either have priority dates senior to 1960 or are located in the river reach between the North Cliff Avenue gage and the confluence with the Missouri River. There is no intent with this effort to place bypass qualifications on these 37 water permits that do not currently have bypass qualifications.

Evaluation of the Existing Flow Bypass Qualifications and River Reach

The active Big Sioux water permits containing bypass qualifications vary on where the flow bypass is to be measured. The ones with earlier priority dates require a minimum flow past the diversion point. Because it is

impractical for the water user to measure flow at their pump site the more recently issued permits contained bypass qualifications referenced to a nearby United States Geological Survey (USGS) stream flow gaging stations.

In the section of river from southern Codington County to a point where the Big Sioux River crosses North Cliff Avenue in eastern Sioux Falls, three of the USGS gaging stations allowing access to real-time stream flow information have been used as measuring points for bypass limits from the river. See Table 1 (USGS, 2018).

Station Number	Station Name	Years Operated
06479525	Big Sioux River near Castlewood SD	1977-2017
06481000	Big Sioux River near Dell Rapids SD	1949- 2017
06482020	Big Sioux River at North Cliff Ave at Sioux Falls SD	1972- 2017

Table 1. USGS Big Sioux River stream flow gaging stations located near Castlewood, near Dell Rapids and at North Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls SD (USGS, 2018).

The USGS has collected daily flow data at these gaging stations over several years. The USGS maintains an archive of historical flow and statistical flow data for these gaging stations that can be accessed by the public. A major concern in setting bypass qualifications is to identify the times when the river is experiencing lower flows and also to identify when those lower flows occurred. A review will focus on events when a particular stream segment experiences the lower half of the daily flow. Median, otherwise referred to as 50 percentile (50%), is used to help understand the central tendency of a set of statistical results with the lower half of measured daily flow values being at or less than the 50% value. Based on the period of record for each gage site, the daily flow value or less would be expected to occur on average 10 out of 20 years. At the 25 percentile (25%) flow value, the daily flow would be expected to be at or below that value an average of 5 out of 20 years. At the 10 percentile (10%) flow value, the daily flow would be expected to be at or below that value an average of 2 out of 20 years, (USGS, 2018).

Analysis and Proposed Qualification Revisions

A fresh look was taken of the original bypass requirements to determine whether the original bypass levels would be effective limits for the existing active water rights. The review took into consideration the existing water rights, the qualifications, the authorized use, the location of the diversion points, the annual period of use, and historic stream flow data.

Based upon this review, the river was broken into four separate bypass management reaches. The upper most reach is from the headwaters down to the Castlewood gage. The next reach is from the Castlewood gage to the Dell Rapids gage. The third reach is from the Castlewood gage to the North Cliff Avenue gage at Sioux Falls, and the final reach is from the North Cliff Avenue gage to the confluence with the Missouri River at North Sioux City.

The bypass qualifications originally adopted in the 1960's by the Water Resources Commission of 5 cfs for the reach north of Castlewood and 20 cfs for the reach between Castlewood to Dell Rapids were based on Water Rights staff recommendations. The recommendations were based on water use and flow history for each of those reaches. The 20 cfs bypass requirement for the river reach between Dell Rapids and Sioux Falls was first placed on a water permit in 1989 by the Water Management Board, a successor to the Water Resources Commission, following a low flow analysis by Water Rights staff for the Big Sioux River in that reach (Water Rights, 2018).

Of the 21 existing water permits containing some sort of flow bypass qualification all but two are for irrigation use. The two permits not for irrigation are for municipal use and are held by the City of Sioux Falls. Since most of the water permits having bypass qualifications were issued for irrigation, the following discussion

references a typical crop irrigation season of May 1 to October 15. The analysis focused on the typical irrigation season because this is characteristically when water management actions, such as issuing of shutoff orders by the Chief Engineer, would occur.

The irrigation season for grasses, as would be grown on golf courses and parks, may extend outside the typical irrigation season and run from the early April through late October. Of the four existing water permits for irrigation one is for a golf course at Dell Rapids and three are for irrigating golf courses and soccer fields in Sioux Falls (Water Rights, 2018).

Headwaters to Castlewood Reach

On the upper Big Sioux River there are four existing water permits, two are for storage in lakes Pelican and Kampeska and the other two are for irrigation. The two irrigation water permits containing a bypass qualification both are located approximately five miles upstream from the USGS stream gaging station near Castlewood. The total current authorized diversion rate for this reach is 4.26 cfs. Figure 2 shows the total annual appropriated volume and reported usage volume for the years 1983 to 2016 (Water Rights, 2018).

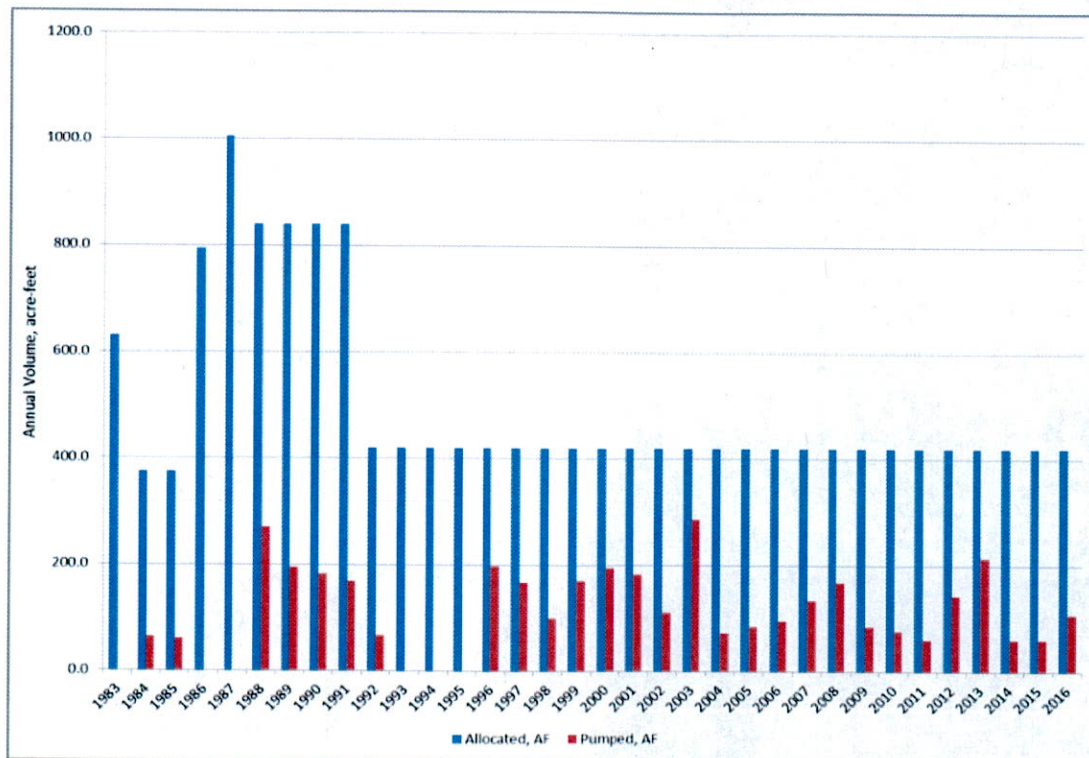


Figure 2. Total irrigation allocation and reported use from the Big Sioux River for the river reach upstream from the USGS gaging station near Castlewood (Water Rights, 2018).

On November 8, 1967, the Water Resources Commission set the initial bypass limit of 5 cfs on a water permit located in the upper river reach north of the Castlewood gage. The application for this water permit had been opposed at a previous meeting so the Commission deferred action and directed staff to investigate. At that time, staff determined excess water was available most years May through July, sometimes available in August and seldom available in September and October. In 2012, a permit was issued in this reach with a 35 cfs bypass qualification. This bypass requirement was the same one

previously placed on a downstream senior priority water permit located in the Castlewood to Dell Rapids reach (Water Rights, 2018).

Figure 3, is a hydrograph for the Castlewood gage showing the 50, 25 and 10 percentile daily flows for the 41 year period of record, 1977 to 2017. In Figure 3, the 10 percentile curve is above the 5 cfs line from the beginning of the irrigation season until the last 10 days of July. The 25 percentile curve is greater than 5 cfs throughout the irrigation season.

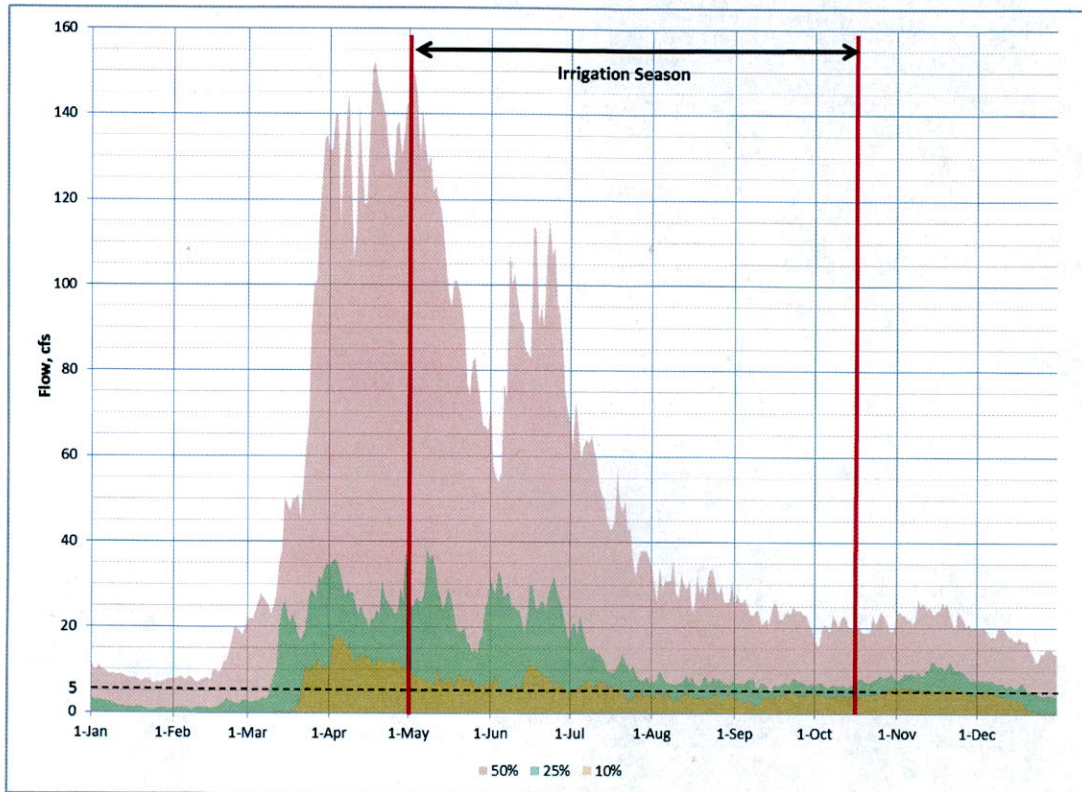


Figure 3. Daily percentile flow hydrographs for the USGS Big Sioux River near Castlewood 1977-2017, contributing drainage area 579 mi² (USGS, 2018).

The frequency of low flow events in the upper most river reach was examined by considering how many actual days the average daily flow was less than 5 cfs during the typical irrigation season of May through mid-October over the 41 year period of record. During that time frame 9.2% of the days that had flow less than 5 cfs fell within the May to mid-October irrigation season (USGS, 2018).

Figure 4 shows for the period of record at the Castlewood gage, the total number of days each year the average daily flow in the Big Sioux River was less than 5 cfs. This figure indicates this reach experiences dry climatic conditions causing several day periods of low flow less than 5cfs. The figure also shows there are many more years when the 5 cfs threshold is not met.

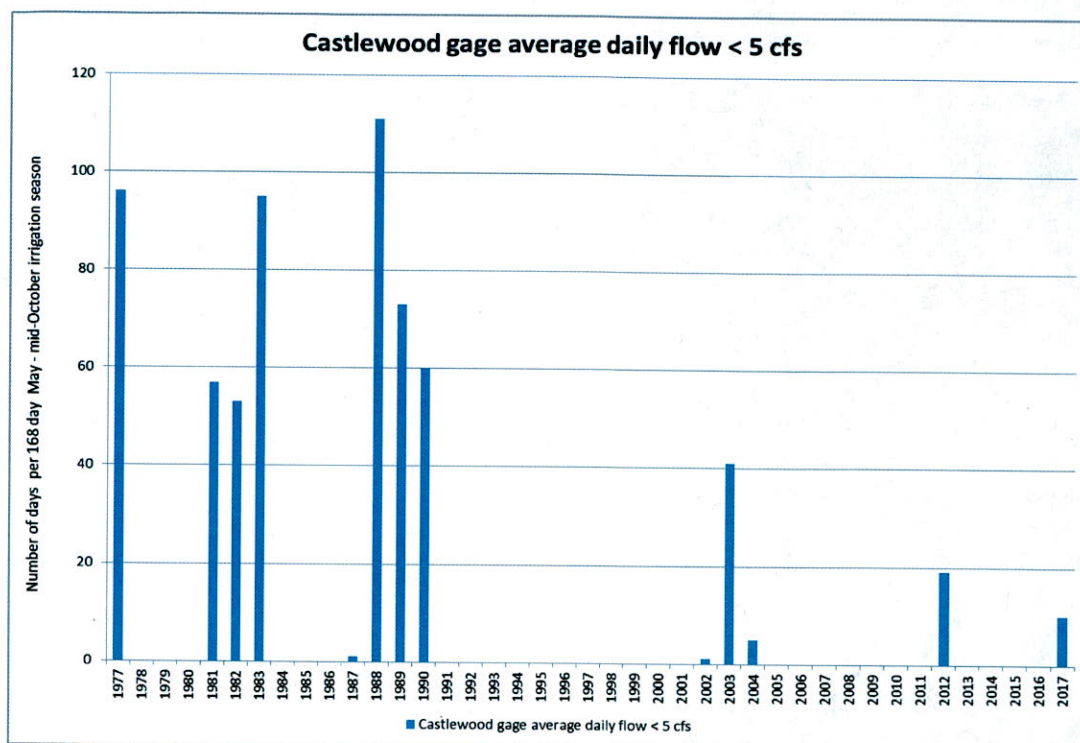


Figure 4. Total number of days for each year during the period of record the average daily flow in the Big Sioux River measured at the USGS gaging station near Castlewood was less than 5 cfs (USGS, 2018).

In this reach it is proposed for both of the existing irrigation water permits, the existing bypass qualification be amended to:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use including livestock water and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 5 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06479525 near Castlewood, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

Castlewood to Dell Rapids Reach

The river reach between the Castlewood gage and the Dell Rapids gage contains 29 active water permits. One of existing water permits is for flood flow diversion, two are for storage in Poinsett and Dry lakes and two water permits are for instream storage in Flandreau Dam and Dell Rapids Dam. The remaining 24 existing water permits are for irrigation, with 14 water permits containing bypass qualifications. The total current authorized diversion rate for this reach is 31.86 cfs. Figure 5 shows the total annual appropriated volume and reported usage volume for the years 1983 to 2016 (Water Rights, 2018).

In this Big Sioux River reach the original 20 cfs bypass requirement was placed on Big Sioux River water permits in April of 1960 by the Water Resources Commission based upon Water Rights staff review and recommendation to set bypass levels on permits. The bypass requirement was raised in 1966 to 30 cfs and was incrementally increased to 50 cfs by 1976. As stated earlier, many of these water permits have subsequently been cancelled due to abandonment or forfeiture (Water Rights, 2018).

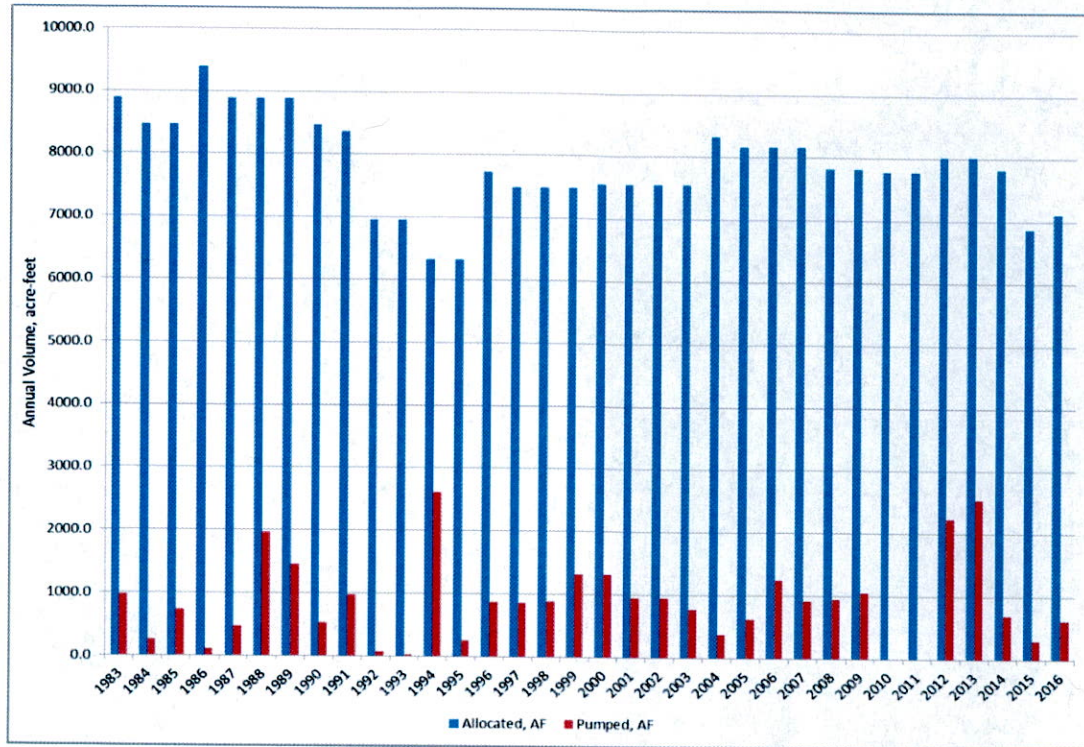


Figure 5. Total irrigation allocation and reported use from the Big Sioux River for the river reach between the USGS gaging stations near Castlewood to the gaging station near Dell Rapids (Water Rights, 2018).

The current bypass limits on existing water permits in this reach range from 20 cfs to 50 cfs with some of the limits set at the diversion point and some measured at the Dell Rapids gage. Using the original 20 cfs bypass as the benchmark, this bypass level was compared to the historic flow record for the Dell Rapids gage. Figure 6 shows the daily percentile flow hydrographs for a 68 year period of record dating back to 1948 for the USGS stream gaging station near Dell Rapids. The 10 percentile curve is above 20 cfs value from the beginning of the irrigation season until the last ten days of August (USGS, 2018).

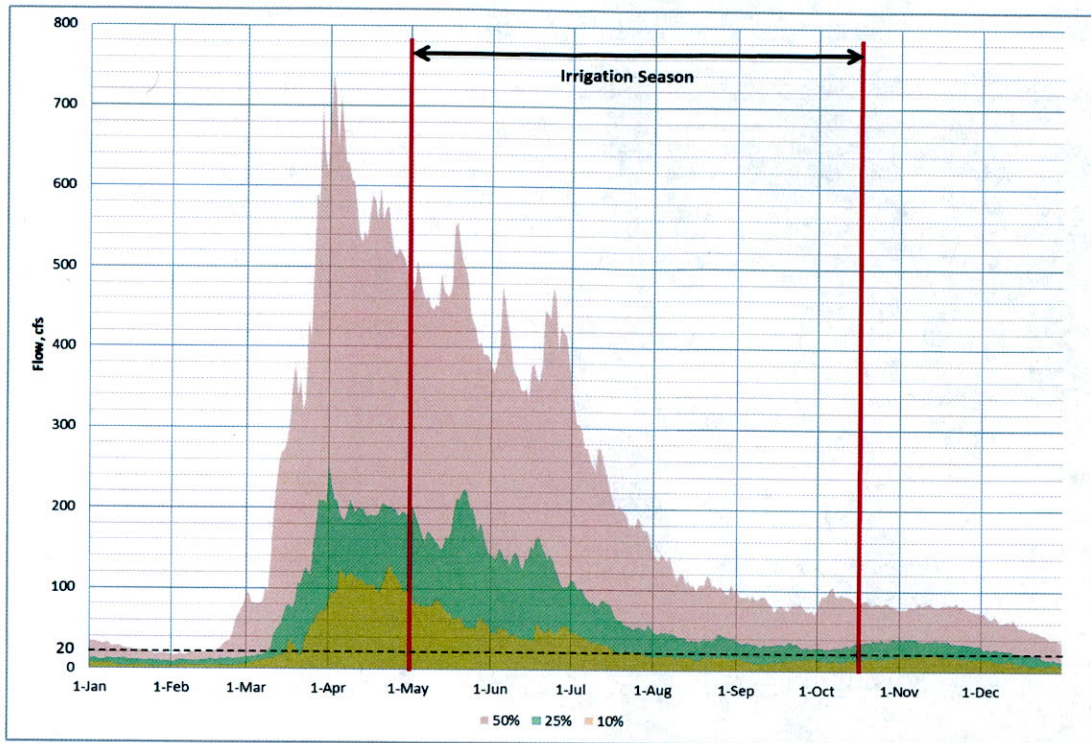


Figure 6. Daily percentile flow hydrographs for the USGS Big Sioux River gage near Dell Rapids 1949-2017, contributing drainage area 3057 mi² (USGS, 2018).

The frequency of low flow events in this reach was examined by considering how many actual days the average daily flow was less than 20 cfs during the typical irrigation season of May through mid-October over the 69 year period of record. During that time frame 7.2% of the days had flow less than 20 cfs within May to mid-October irrigation season (USGS, 2018).

Figure 7 shows for period of record at the Dell Rapids gage the total number of days for each year the average daily flow in the Big Sioux River was less than 20 cfs. Similar to what is seen in the upstream reach, this reach also experiences dry climatic conditions causing several days of low flow less than 20 cfs. The figure also shows there are many more years when the 20 cfs threshold is exceeded.

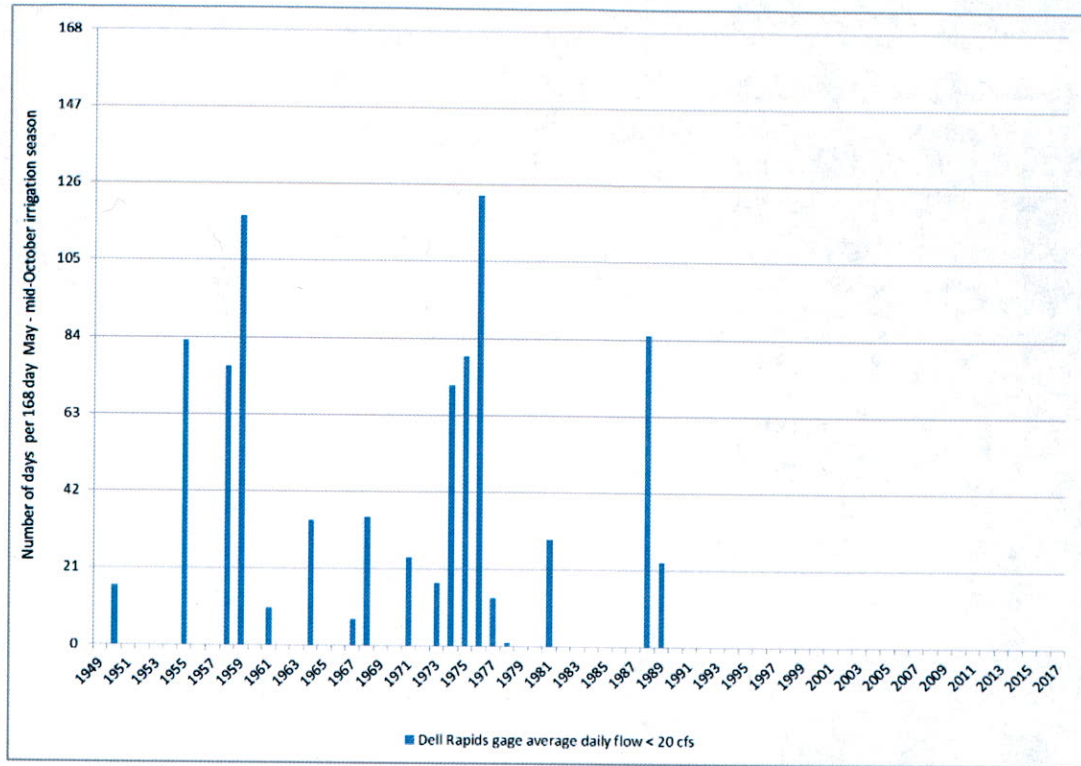


Figure 7. Total number of days for each year during the period of record the average daily flow in the Big Sioux River measured at the USGS gaging station near Dell Rapids was less than 20 cfs (USGS, 2018).

In this reach it is proposed for the 14 existing irrigation water permits the existing bypass qualification be amended to:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

Dell Rapids to North Cliff Avenue at Sioux Falls Reach

In the river reach between the Dell Rapids gage and the North Cliff Avenue at Sioux Falls gage there are six existing water permits. The total current authorized diversion rate for this reach is 87.33 cfs. One right is for instream storage at Baltic Dam, two of the existing rights are for municipal use, and three are for irrigation. The bypass requirement for five existing rights with qualifications is 20 cfs. Three of the water permits require 20 cfs bypassing the diversion point and two requiring measurement of the flow bypass at the North Cliff Avenue gage. It should also be noted the City of Sioux Falls holds two future use permits located in this reach reserving up to 30,000 acre-feet from the Big Sioux River. The Water Management Board did a seven year status review of these permits in July of 2016. The Board ruled to allow these future use permits to remain in effect for the full 30,000 acre-feet for an additional seven years. Figure 8 shows the total annual appropriated volume and reported irrigation usage volume for the years 1983 to 2016, and Figure 9 shows the total annual appropriated volume and reported municipal usage volume for the years 1983 to 2016 in this reach (Water Rights, 2018).

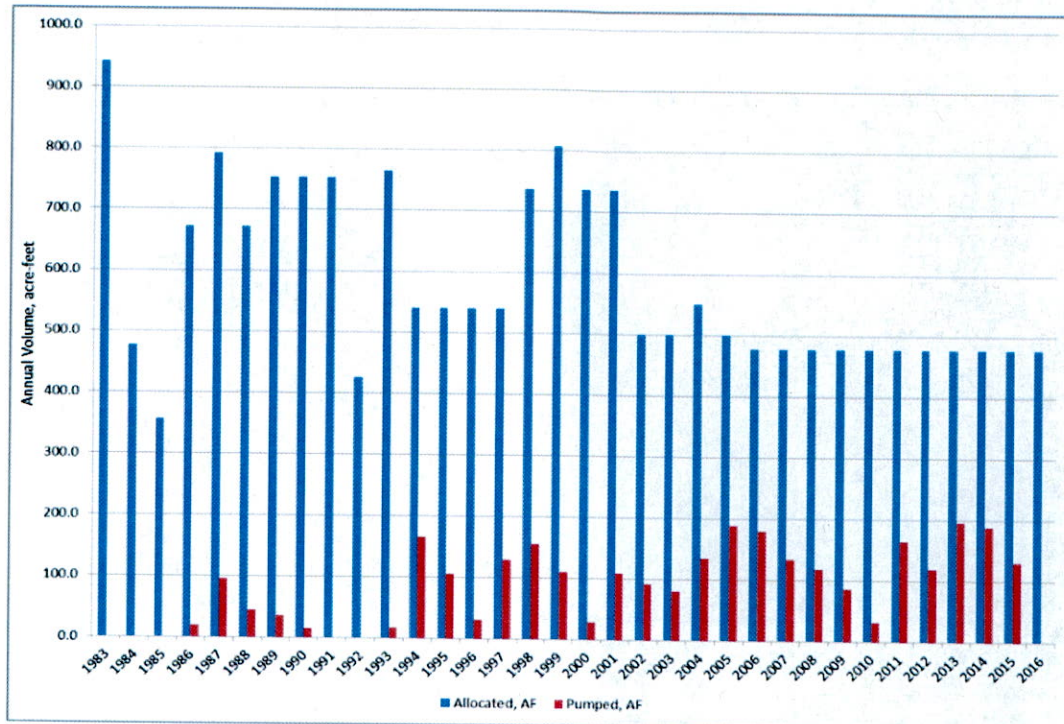


Figure 8. Total irrigation allocation and reported use from the Big Sioux River for the river reach between the USGS gaging stations near Dell Rapids to the gaging station at North Cliff Avenue at Sioux Falls (Water Rights, 2018).

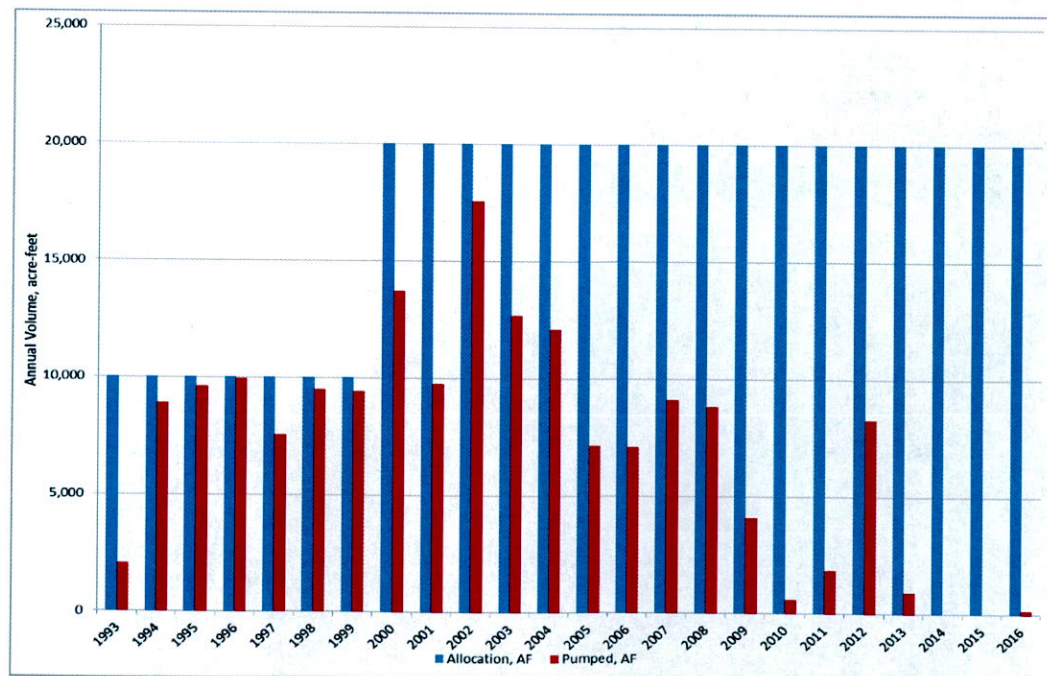


Figure 9. Total municipal allocation and reported use from the Big Sioux River for the river reach between the USGS gaging stations near Dell Rapids to the gaging station at North Cliff Avenue at Sioux Falls (Water Rights, 2018).

Figure 10 shows the daily percentile flow hydrographs for a 45 year period of record dating back to 1971 for the USGS stream gaging station at North Cliff Avenue at Sioux Falls. The 10 percentile curve is above 20 cfs value from the beginning of the irrigation season until the curve drops slightly below 20 cfs line for a few days the first part of September before rising above 20 cfs for the remainder of the irrigation season (USGS, 2018).

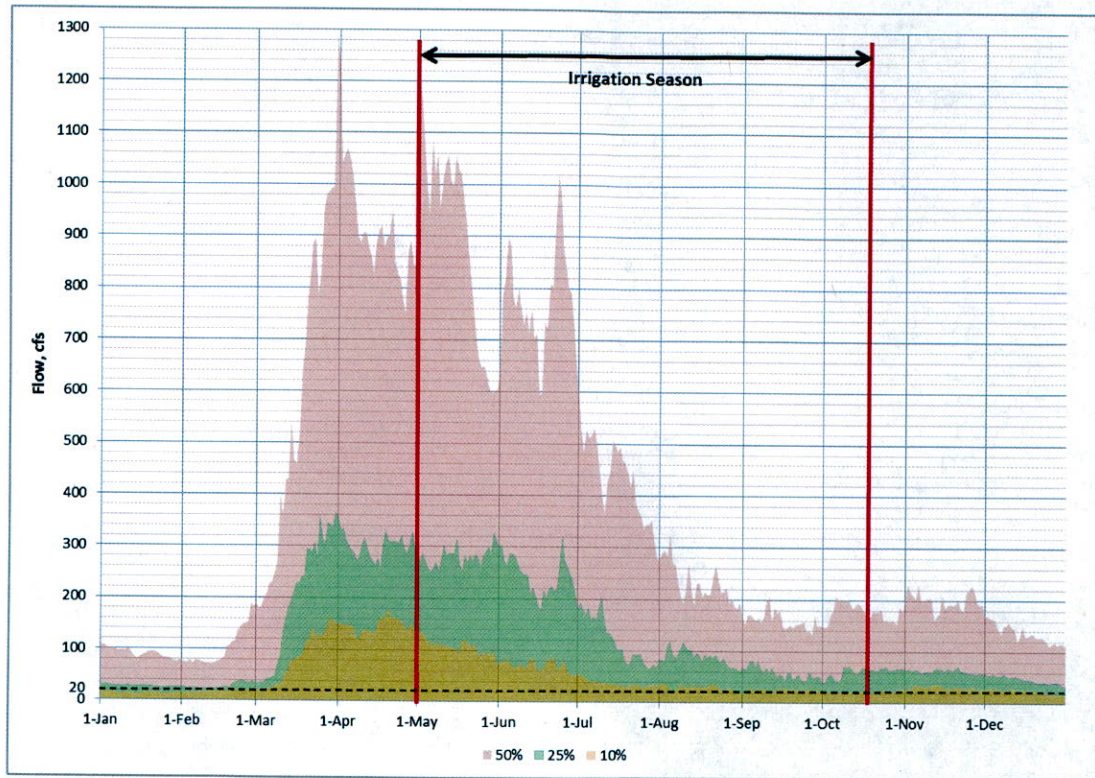


Figure 10. Daily percentile flow hydrographs for the USGS Big Sioux River gage at North Cliff Ave at Sioux Falls 1971-2017, contributing drainage area 3778 mi² (USGS, 2018).

The frequency of low flow events in this reach was examined by considering how many actual days the average daily flow was less than 20 cfs during the typical irrigation season of May through mid-October over the 45 year period of record. During that time frame 2.6% of the days had flow less than 20 cfs fell within May to mid-October irrigation season (USGS, 2018).

Figure 11 shows for period of record at the North Cliff Avenue gage the total number of days for each year the average daily flow in the Big Sioux River was less than 20 cfs. Similar to what was experienced in the upstream reaches, this reach can also experience during dry climatic conditions causing several day periods of low flow less than 20 cfs. The figure also shows there are many more years when the 20 cfs threshold is exceeded.

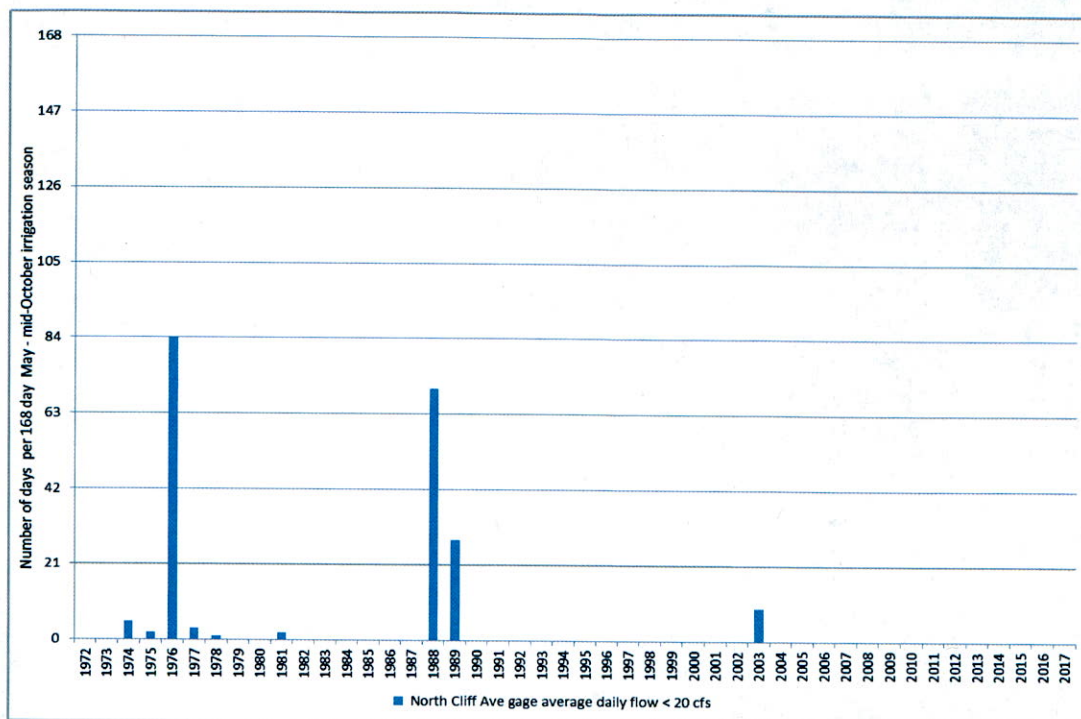


Figure 11. Total number of days for each year during the period of record the average daily flow in the Big Sioux River measured at the USGS gaging station at North Cliff Avenue at Sioux Falls was less than 20 cfs (USGS, 2018).

The five existing water permits in this Big Sioux River reach all contain a 20 cfs bypass requirement. The earlier issued water permits required 20 cfs bypassed at the diversion point while the later issued ones required a 20 cfs bypass at the USGS gaging station at North Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls (Water Rights, 2018). In this reach it is proposed the existing bypass qualification on these five permits retain the 20 cfs bypass requirement but the qualification be amended to:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06482020 at North Cliff Avenue when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

North Cliff Avenue at Sioux Falls to the Missouri River Confluence Reach

The southern reach of the Big Sioux River from the North Cliff Gage to the confluence with the Missouri River in southern Union County does not have any active water permits having bypass qualifications. As shown in Figure 12, the 10 percentile curve is above 50 cfs value throughout the entire irrigation season. This reach has not historically experienced a water shortage, and the Chief Engineer has not had to issue shutoff orders for any of the existing water permits located in this reach. There is not a proposal to amend any of the existing water permits in this lower reach of the Big Sioux River (USGS, 2018).

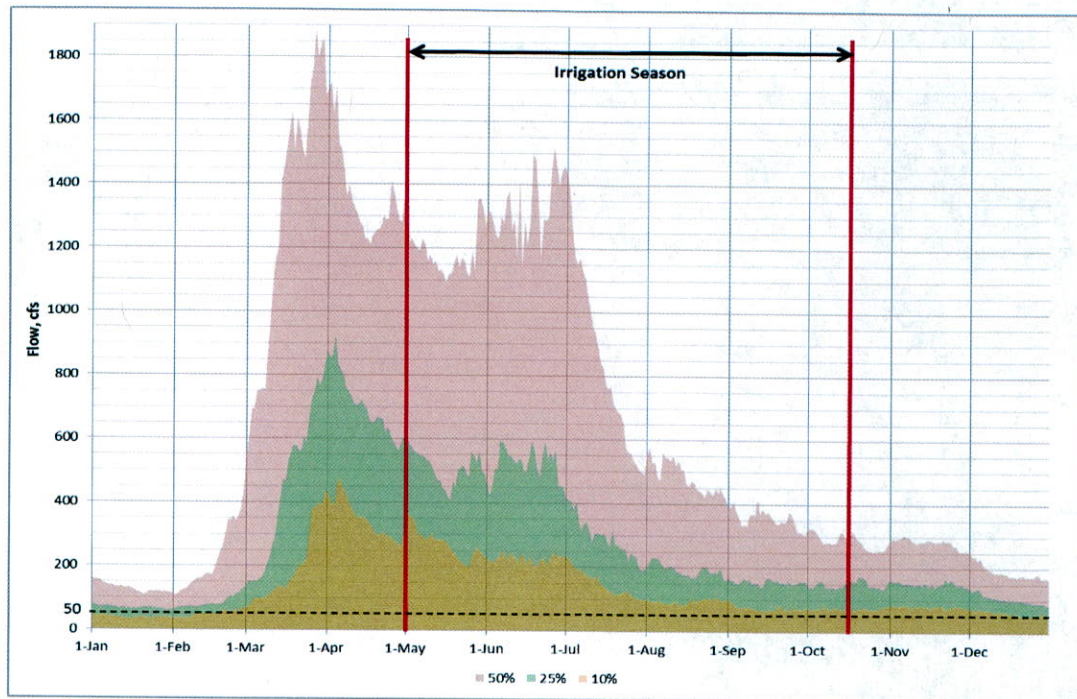


Figure 12. Daily percentile flow hydrographs for the USGS Big Sioux River gage at Akron IA 1971-2017, contributing drainage area 6995 mi² (USGS, 2018).

Considering Future Water Use

Anticipating future water demands from the Big Sioux River and climatic conditions may change over time. Particularly with the City of Sioux Falls holding two future use permits bearing a 1977 priority date reserving up to 30,000 acre-feet of water. It is proposed the following qualification be placed on all of the water permits being amended:

- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

The existing water permits without bypass qualifications and not targeted to be amended by this effort, will continue to be managed based upon their individual priority dates and location along the river.

Specific Proposed Qualification Revisions by Water Permit

In order to standardize the bypass qualifications for the existing water permits containing bypass qualifications in the Big Sioux River reach upstream from the USGS stream gaging station near Castlewood, the following changes are proposed.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1437-3

Delete Qualification:

- Diversions of water under this permit can only be made when there is flow of 5 or more cubic feet per second of water flowing at the diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 5 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06479525 near Castlewood, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Permit No. 7350-3

Delete Qualification:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 35 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06479525 near Castlewood, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 5 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06479525 near Castlewood when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

To standardize the bypass qualifications for the 14 existing water rights/permits containing bypass qualifications in the Big Sioux River reach between the USGS stream gaging station near Castlewood downstream to the USGS stream gaging station near Dell Rapids, the following changes are proposed.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 956-3

Delete Qualification:

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This Permit is granted allowing withdrawals of water whenever 20 cfs or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1175-3

Delete Qualification:

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This Permit is granted allowing withdrawals of water whenever 20 cfs or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1302-3

Delete Qualification:

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This Permit is granted allowing withdrawals of water whenever 20 cfs or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1350-3

Delete Qualification:

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This Permit is granted allowing withdrawals of water whenever 30 cfs or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids

when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1500-3

Delete Qualification:

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This Permit is granted allowing withdrawals of water whenever 30 cfs or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1696-3

Delete Qualification:

- Natural flows in the Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This Sioux River portion of this permit is granted allowing withdrawals of water whenever 35 cfs of water or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1801-3

Delete Qualification:

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This permit is granted allowing withdrawals of water whenever 35 cfs of water or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 1812-3**Delete Qualification:**

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This permit is granted allowing withdrawals of water whenever 35 cfs of water or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 2065-3**Delete Qualification:**

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This permit is approved allowing withdrawals whenever 45 cfs of water or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 2952-3**Delete Qualification:**

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This permit is approved allowing withdrawals whenever 40 cfs of water or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 6042-3

Delete Qualification:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River unless at least 41 cfs is flowing past the Dell Rapids USGS Gaging Station, or unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit are shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 6124-3

Delete Qualification:

- Natural flows in the Big Sioux River are not a dependable source of water during the latter part of the summer. Prior appropriative rights and downstream domestic use must be respected. This permit is approved allowing withdrawals whenever 50 cfs of water or more is flowing past your diversion point.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 7110-3

Delete Qualification:

- Low flows as needed for domestic use, including livestock water and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 43 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, or unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this permit are shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
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Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 8195-3

Delete Qualification:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing at the North Cliff Avenue USGS Gaging Station No. 06482020 and 43 cfs is flowing at the Dell Rapids USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit are shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
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To standardize the qualifications for the 5 existing water rights/permits containing bypass qualifications in the Big Sioux River reach between the USGS stream gaging station near Dell Rapids downstream to the USGS stream gaging station at North Cliff Avenue at Sioux Falls, the following changes are proposed.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 5431-3

Delete Qualification:

- Permit No. 5431-3 does not authorize pumping from the Big Sioux River unless at least 20 cfs can be bypassed when pumping.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06482020 at North Cliff Avenue when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 5512-3

Delete Qualification:

- Permit No. 5512-3 does not authorize pumping from the Big Sioux River unless at least 20 cfs is being bypassed when pumping.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06482020 at North Cliff Avenue when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 5698-3

Delete Qualification:

- Permit No. 5698-3 does not authorize pumping from the Big Sioux River unless at least 20 cfs is being bypassed when pumping.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06482020 at North Cliff Avenue when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 6210-3

Delete Qualification:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River,

when pumping, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing at the Cliff Avenue USGS Gaging Station, or unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06482020 at North Cliff Avenue when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Amendment to the qualifications contained in Water Right No. 6210A-3

Delete Qualification:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing at the North Cliff Avenue USGS Gaging Station No. 06482020, or unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit are subject to senior water rights and any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

Add Qualifications:

- Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06482020 at North Cliff Avenue when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
- The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.

Conclusions

1. Currently there are 58 active water permits authorized for the Big Sioux River from the headwaters in Roberts County to the mouth in Union County. Currently 21 of the existing water permits contain some sort of flow bypass qualification.
2. Since many water permits have been cancelled over the years, the system of various bypass requirements on several existing Big Sioux water permits are not putting water to beneficial use to the highest extent possible for the current water permit holders. The system is also difficult to manage for the Water Rights Program.
3. A fresh look was taken of the original bypass requirements to determine whether the original bypass levels would be effective limits for the existing active water rights. The review was completed of the original bypass requirements taking into consideration the existing water rights, the qualifications placed on them, their authorized use, the location of their diversion points, their annual period of use and historic stream flow data.

4. Based upon this review, the river was broken into four separate bypass management reaches and standardized qualifications are proposed for each of these reaches.
5. Anticipating future water demands from the Big Sioux River and climatic conditions may change over time, the amendments to the water permits being amended should also contain a qualification allowing the Water Management Board to retain jurisdiction to address future issues if as necessary.
6. On the reach upstream from the Castlewood gaging station, for the two water permits containing bypass requirements replace those qualifications with:
 - Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 5 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06479525 near Castlewood, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
 - The Water Management Board is retaining jurisdiction of this permit in the event additional information shows that adjustments need to be made to the bypass requirements.
7. On the reach between the Castlewood gaging station and the Dell Rapids gaging station, for the 14 water permits containing bypass requirements replace those qualifications with:
 - Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, unless at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids when pumping, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
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8. On the reach upstream from the Dell Rapids gaging station to the North Cliff Avenue gaging station, for the five water permits containing bypass requirements replace those qualifications with:
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9. The existing water permits without bypass qualifications and not targeted to be amended by this effort, will continue to be managed based upon their individual priority dates and location along the river.



Mark D. Rath
Natural Resources Engineer III

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Currently, water rights differ in the amount of water that must be bypassed at the pump site or at a United States Geological Survey (USGS) gaging station in order for pumping to occur. The Water Rights Program has reviewed all Big Sioux River water rights and determined that the conditions can be modified to a standard bypass at one of three gaging stations depending on the stream segment where the water right is located. It is proposed that the bypass condition along the river is best managed in three segments identified by USGS gaging stations as follows:

1. River reach upstream from the USGS gaging station near Castlewood;
2. River reach between USGS gaging station near Castlewood downstream to gaging station near Dell Rapids;
3. River reach between USGS gaging station near Dell Rapids downstream to gaging station near North Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls.

Water rights that currently have a bypass condition will be amended such that those water rights upstream of the Castlewood gaging station will have a 5 cubic feet of water per second (cfs) bypass requirement. Those water rights in the two other reaches described above will have a 20 cfs bypass requirement referenced to either the Dell Rapids or North Cliff Avenue gaging station depending on the location of the water right. Water rights with senior priority dates that do not currently have a bypass requirement will see no change.

The proposed amendment will not impose any conditions more restrictive than the conditions currently in place on any water right. Big Sioux River water right holders whose bypass condition is proposed for amendment will be provided personal notice of the proposed amendment to their water right.

The Chief Engineer recommends that the Water Management Board approve deletion of the existing bypass condition on applicable water rights and add the following qualifications specific to the bypass flow at a referenced gaging station depending on the location of the water right.

1. Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This water right does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least "X" cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station "IDENTIFY APPLICABLE STATION" unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this water right shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.
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Any interested person opposing or supporting the proposed amendment and intending to participate in the hearing shall file a petition with the Chief Engineer. The Chief Engineer's address is "Water Rights Program, Foss Building, 523 E Capitol, Pierre SD 57501 (605 773-3352)". A petition filed by either an interested person or a water right holder must be filed by February 26, 2018.

The petition may be informal, but shall be in writing and shall include a statement describing the petitioner's interest, the petitioner's reasons for opposing or supporting the proposed change, and the signature and mailing address of the petitioner or the petitioner's legal counsel, if legal counsel is obtained. The hearing is an adversary proceeding and any party has the right to be present at the hearing and to be represented by a lawyer. These and other due process rights will be forfeited if they are not exercised at the hearing and decisions of the Board may be appealed to the Circuit Court and State Supreme Court as provided by law.

The staff report including affected water rights and the proposed changes is available at <http://denr.sd.gov/public> or contact Eric Gronlund for this information, or other information, at the Water Rights Program address provided above.

The Water Management Board will consider the proposed changes at 11:30 a.m. on March 7, 2018, in the Matthew Training Center, Joe Foss Bldg, 523 E. Capitol Ave. Pierre SD. The hearing will be held pursuant to the provisions of SDCL 46-1-14 and 46-2-17.

The Chief Engineer's recommendation is not final or binding upon the Board. The Board is authorized to 1) approve, 2) modify, 3) defer, or 4) deny the proposed amendments after it reaches a conclusion based on facts at the public hearing. The Board has legal authority and jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to SDCL 46-2-9 and 46-2-11.

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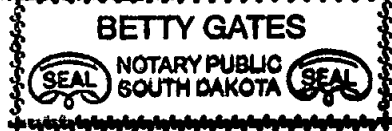
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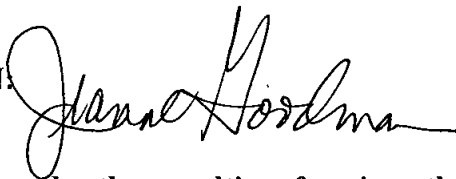
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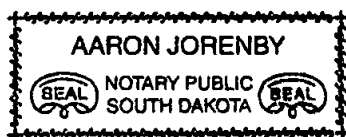
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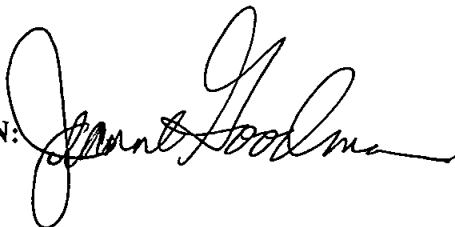
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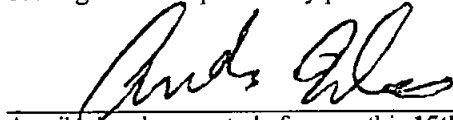
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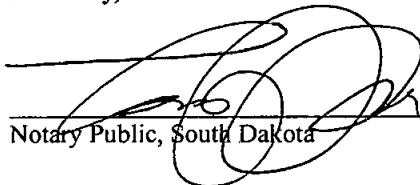
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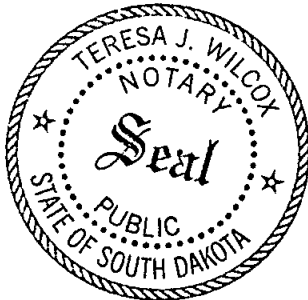


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7, 2018, in the Matthew Training
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Capitol Ave, Pierre SD. The
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Program, 523 E Capitol Avenue,
Pierre SD) by February 26, 2018.
Steven M. Pinner, Secretary, De-
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February 22, 2018

PAYMENT REQUEST FORM

PAYEE: Watertown Public Opinion
120 3rd Avenue NW
Watertown, SD

FROM: DENR Water Rights Program
523 E. Capitol Ave
Pierre, SD 57501-3181

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, PRODUCE OR TRANSFER

Notice of Hearing-Big Sioux River

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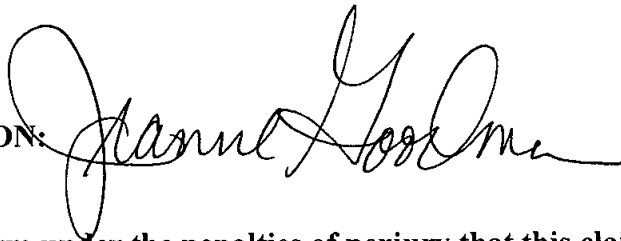
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County of Hamlin) SSI, LeeAnne Dufek

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TION FOR BIG SIOUX RIVER
WATER RIGHTS

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Steven M. Pimer, Secretary
Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

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February 20, 2018

PAYMENT REQUEST FORM

PAYEE: Hamlin County Publishing Inc.
PO Box 50
Castlewood, SD 57223

FROM: DENR Water Rights Program
523 E. Capitol Ave
Pierre, SD 57501-3181

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, PRODUCE OR TRANSFER

Notice of Hearing Big Sioux River

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Air Quality Program

523 E. Capitol, Joe Foss Bldg.
Pierre, SD 57501

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each week for 1 successive weeks; that said newspaper at the time of the first publication of said notice hereinafter stated, had, and still has, a bona fide circulation of over two hundred paid copies weekly, and had been published in the said County of Union for more than one year immediately prior to the date of the said publication of said notice, and that said newspaper during said times, was, and is, printed in part in an office maintained at said city of Elk Point, the said place of publication; that the first publication of said notice in said newspaper was

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Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 15 day of February, 2018

My commission expires 7-12-23

SUSAN ODSON
NOTARY PUBLIC
SOUTH DAKOTA

Notary Public

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Steven M. Pirner, Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources.
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PO Box 310
Elk Point, SD

FROM: DENR Water Rights Program
523 E. Capitol Ave
Pierre, SD 57501-3181

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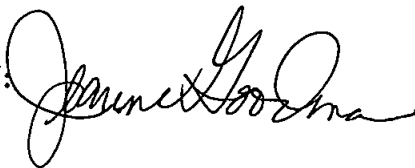
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**Water Rights Program
523 E Capitol Ave
Pierre, SD 57501**

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February 23, 2018

SENT VIA U.S. MAIL AND EMAIL TO: DENRINTERNET@STATE.SD.US

Ms. Jeanne Goodman
Chief Engineer
Water Rights Program, DENR
523 E. Capitol Avenue,
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Big Sioux River Recommendations

Dear Ms. Goodman,

Please consider this letter as the City of Sioux Falls' Petition to Intervene in the pending Big Sioux River Water Rights matter now scheduled for March 7, 2018.

The City of Sioux Falls ("*Sioux Falls*") appreciates the the Department of Environment & Natural Resources ("*DENR*") objective of bringing consistency to the water right permits and their administration along the Big Sioux River ("*BSR*"). Changing the qualifications to ensure they are all based on USGS river gages is a good thing. Sioux Falls does have some concerns that it would like to share with the South Dakota Water Management Board ("*Board*").

The proposed new qualifications for each stretch of the BSR would be based on the next USGS gage below the water permit involved. For example, irrigation above the Castlewood gage would be allowed so long as the Castlewood gage was at 5 cfs or more. As such, this qualification would tend to assure these upstream irrigators have the right to irrigate so long as the stream gage below them meets a particular criteria, without regard to what is happening to senior users further downstream. Under this scenario, a junior irrigator above the Castlewood gage could irrigate if the Castlewood gage was at 5 cfs regardless of whether the gages at Dell Rapids and Sioux Falls were below 20 cfs. At the same time, a senior appropriator would be constrained by the 20 cfs qualification at the downstream gages. While I understand these qualifications are intended to provide for flexibility by the Chief Engineer and as such, the Chief Engineer could seek cooperation among the upstream junior appropriators, the language of these qualifications seems to reduce the legal means for the senior water right holders to take action against junior water right holders that impair water rights downstream.

Ms. Jeanne Goodman
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Sioux Falls would suggest all downstream gage criteria be incorporated in the qualifications. For the two permits above Castlewood, we would propose the qualification state as follows:

Low flows as needed for downstream domestic use, including livestock water, and prior rights must be by-passed. This permit does not authorize diversion of water from the Big Sioux River, when pumping, unless at least 5 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06479525 near Castlewood, at least 20 cfs is flowing past the USGS Gaging Station No. 06481000 near Dell Rapids, and at least 20 cfs is flowing past USGS Gaging Station No. 6482020 at North Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls, unless written orders have been issued by the Chief Engineer. Diversions under this Permit shall be in accordance with any written orders issued by the Chief Engineer.

Similarly, for the 14 permits above Dell Rapids, we would propose the qualification state as follows:

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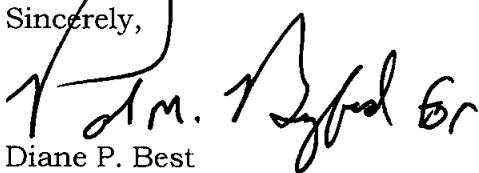
We appreciate the fact that administering these diversions during severe drought will be a challenge. We would respectfully submit, however, that the qualifications, as stated above, would protect the senior water rights and also be a better means to protect the flows in the river for the entire stretch impacted.

We also reserve our right to address any other issues that may be presented by other intervenors or the Board at a hearing.

At the hearing Sioux Falls may also address the extent to which releases from the Sioux Falls Water Reclamation Plant augment other available flows in the BSR.

Due to scheduling constraints, Sioux Falls is exercising its right to automatically delay the hearing for at least twenty (20) days as provided by state law.

Sincerely,



Diane P. Best
Assistant City Attorney

DPB/amr

Sioux Falls Ordinances

§ 53.015 USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS REQUIRED.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, deposit or permit to be deposited in any unsanitary manner on public or private property within the city, or in any area under the jurisdiction of the city, any human or animal excrement, garbage or other objectionable waste.

(b) It shall be unlawful to discharge to any natural outlet within the city or in any area under the jurisdiction of the city any wastewater or other polluted waters, except where suitable treatment has been provided in accordance with this subchapter, or permitted by the DENR or EPA.

(c) Except as provided in this subchapter, it shall be unlawful to construct or maintain any privy, privy vault, septic tank, cesspool or other facility intended or used for the disposal of wastewater.

(d) The owner of each house, building or property used for human occupancy, employment, recreation or other purposes, in the city and abutting on any street, alley or right-of-way in which there is located or may be located a public sanitary sewer of the city, shall at the owner's expense install suitable toilet facilities therein, and connect the facilities directly with the proper public sewer in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter, within five years after the date of official notice to do so, provided that the public sewer is within 200 feet of the property line and reasonably accessible as determined by the city engineer.

(1992 Code, § 41-111) (Ord. 47-81, passed 6-1-1981; Ord. 57-93, passed 7-12-1993; Ord. 102-96, passed 9-3-1996; Ord. 48-03, passed 6-9-2003) Penalty, see § 53.999

§ 53.016 PRIVATE WASTEWATER DISPOSAL.

(a) Where a public sanitary sewer is not available under the provisions of § 53.015(d), the building sewer shall be connected to a private wastewater disposal system complying with the provisions of this subchapter and State of South Dakota Administrative Rules for individual and small on-site wastewater systems (ARSD Chapter 74:03:01).

(b) Before commencement of construction of a private wastewater disposal system, the owner shall first obtain a written permit signed by the city engineer. The application for the permit shall be made on a form furnished by the city which the applicant shall supplement by any plans, specifications and other information deemed necessary by the city. A permit and inspection fee established by ordinance shall be paid to the city when the application is filed.

(c) A permit for a private wastewater disposal system shall not become effective until the installation is completed to the satisfaction of the city engineer. The city engineer shall be allowed to inspect the work at any stage of construction, and in any event, the applicant for the permit shall notify the city engineer when the work is ready for final inspection, and before any underground portions are covered. The inspection shall be made within three hours of the receipt of notice by the city engineer.

(d) The type, capacity, location and layout of a private wastewater disposal system shall comply with all recommendations of the state department of health. For persons with a public water supply, no permit shall be issued for any private wastewater disposal system employing subsurface soil absorption facilities where the area of the lot is less than one-half acre. For persons with a private well, no permit shall be issued for any private wastewater disposal system employing subsurface soil absorption facilities where the area of the lot is less than one acre. No septic tank or cesspool shall be permitted to discharge to any natural outlet.

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(f) The owner shall operate and maintain the private wastewater disposal facilities in a sanitary manner at all times, at no expense to the city.

(g) No statement contained in this subchapter shall be construed to interfere with any additional requirements that may be imposed by a health officer.

(1992 Code, § 41-112) (Ord. 47-81, passed 6-1-1981; Ord. 19-82, passed 3-8-1982; Ord. 57-93, passed 7-12-1993; Ord. 102-96, passed 9-3-1996; Ord. 48-03, passed 6-9-2003)



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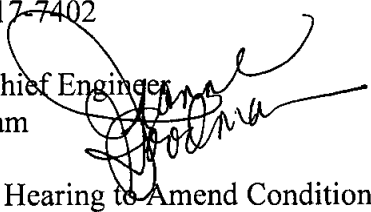
JOE FOSS BUILDING
523 EAST CAPITOL
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA 57501-3182

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February 27, 2018

NOTICE

TO: Diane Best
Assistant City Attorney
City of Sioux Falls
PO Box 7402
Sioux Falls SD 57117-7402

FROM: Jeanne Goodman, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Program 

SUBJECT: Automatic Delay of Hearing to Amend Conditions Placed on Many Big Sioux River
Water Rights

The city of Sioux Falls filed a petition to intervene in response to the public notice regarding the Water Management Board hearing to consider an amendment to the conditions on many Big Sioux River water rights. The city's petition included a request for an automatic delay of the March 7, 2018 hearing date. Therefore, the hearing on this matter is automatically delayed pursuant to SDCL 46-2A-4 and 46-2A-5 and will not be held on March 7, 2018.

The hearing to consider amendment to the conditions on many Big Sioux River water rights is tentatively scheduled for the Water Management Board meeting to be held May 2 - 3, 2018, in Pierre. The Board will formalize its next meeting date at their March 7th meeting. Future notice of the time and place of the hearing will be provided.

Please contact Eric Gronlund at (605) 773-3352 if you have questions regarding the hearing process.

c: Ann Mines Bailey, Assistant Attorney General

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on February 27, 2018, I have personally deposited with the United States mail at Pierre, South Dakota, first class postage, prepaid envelopes containing a Notice dated February 27, 2018, regarding automatic delay of the hearing to consider amendment to the conditions on many Big Sioux River water rights, as addressed below:

Diane Best
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City of Sioux Falls
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Sent Inter-office to:

Ann Mines Bailey, Assistant Attorney General
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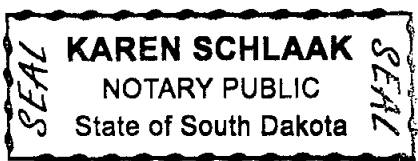
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Water Rights Program, DENR

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
) SS
COUNTY OF HUGHES)

Sworn to, before me, this 27th day of February, 2018



Karen Schlaak
Notary Public
My Commission expires April 1, 2019





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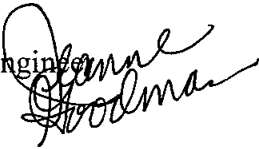
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April 4, 2018

NOTICE

TO: Diane Best
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FROM: Jeanne Goodman, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Program 

SUBJECT: Scheduling of Hearing to Amend Conditions Placed on Many Big Sioux River
Water Rights

The city of Sioux Falls filed a petition to intervene in response to the public notice published in the Argus Leader regarding proposed amendment to conditions placed on many Big Sioux River water rights. The March 7, 2018, hearing was postponed at the city's request. This notice reschedules the hearing for May 3, 2018.

The Water Management Board will now conduct a hearing to consider proposed amendment to conditions placed on many Big Sioux River water rights at 8:30 AM (Central Time) on Thursday, May 3, 2018, at the Floyd Matthew Training Center, Joe Foss Building, 523 E. Capitol Avenue, Pierre SD. The agenda time is an estimate and may be delayed due to prior items. Future notice will be provided to all parties if there is a significant change to the hearing time.

Applicable provisions of the public notice of hearing published in the Argus Leader on February 15, 2018, still apply.

Questions regarding the hearing process may be directed to Eric Gronlund, Water Rights Program at (605) 773-3352 or eric.gronlund@state.sd.us.

c: Ann Mines Bailey, Assistant Attorney General

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on April 4, 2018, I have personally deposited with the United States mail at Pierre, South Dakota, first class postage, prepaid envelopes containing a Notice dated April 4, 2018, regarding scheduling of the hearing to consider amendment to the conditions on many Big Sioux River water rights, as addressed below:

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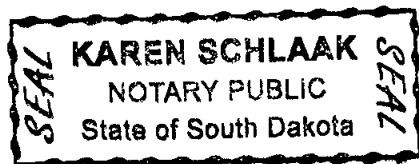
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WR Nos. 1437-3 & 1350-3

Dear Big Sioux River Water Right Holder:

I am writing to water right holders and operators who use water from the Big Sioux River north of Castlewood. The Water Management Board has placed a 5 cfs bypass qualification on stream gage No. 06479525 (the Big Sioux near Castlewood), which requires irrigators to cease operation if the flow falls to this level.

South Dakota law gives the highest priority to domestic use, including livestock watering. There is generally adequate water available to meet both domestic use and other needs. However, once water availability reaches critical low levels, other uses will begin to interfere with domestic use. If river levels become critically low, the department may need to issue shutoff orders to protect domestic use, including livestock watering and those water rights that are most senior.

At this time, we are only cautioning that shutoff orders may become necessary. **This not a shutoff order.** This letter is intended to give you advanced warning that your ability to divert water may be cut short this year. If shutoff orders are issued, you will receive another letter from the department. In the meantime, water right holders can help by closely monitoring water usage and avoid wasting water.

The US Geological Survey has an Internet site showing river flows at 164 stream gauging stations across the state, including the Castlewood gage. To view the latest realtime stream flow, go to:

<https://waterdata.usgs.gov/sd/nwis/current/?type=flow>

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Rath or Blaise Hansen (605) 773-3352.

Sincerely,

Eric Gronlund, Chief Engineer
Water Rights Program

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