

WATER PERMIT NO. 8952-3

Name of Applicant: **Chad or Becki Steinocker**

Address: **45350 145th Street, Summit SD 57266**

Phone: **605-520-1875**

Amount of Water Claimed: **1.78 cfs**

Total Acres: **184**

Source of Water Supply: **Groundwater**

Water to be used for: **Irrigation**

County: **Grant**

Type of Waste Disposal System:

Location: **Approx. 4 miles southeast of Ortley**

PRIORITY Date Received: **04-07-25**

Application/License Fee: **\$1,050.00**

Corrected Application Received: **04-11-25**

Period of Annual Use: **April 1 – October 31**

Remarks:

Diversion Point: **NW 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 2-T121N-R52W**

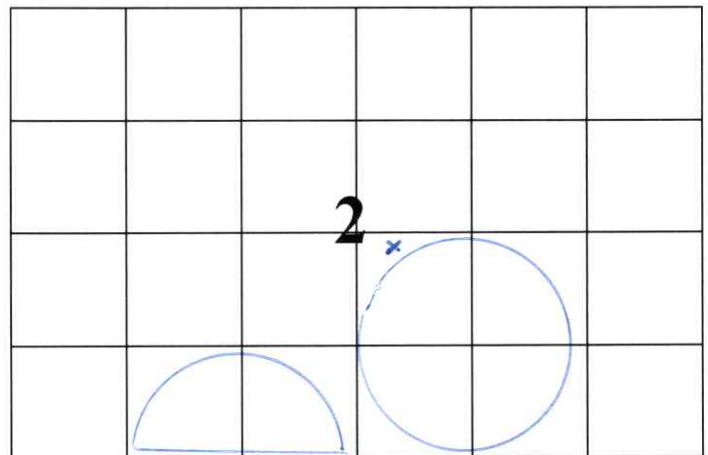
Land to be Irrigated: **SE 1/4, S 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec 2-T121N-R52W**

Depth of Well: **53**

Well Driller: **Thein Well**

Remarks:

Type of Map: **aerial**



Reviewed and the Number Assigned on: **04-17-25**

By: **Rachel Rodriguez**

Notice of Hearing - date to intervene: _____

SOUTH DAKOTA
WATER PERMIT NO. 8952-3

Date of first receipt of application April 7, 2025.

Date of return to applicant for corrections, amendments or changes April 11, 2025.

Date of receipt of corrected application April 23, 2025.

The Acting Chief Engineer, on behalf of the Water Management Board, issues Water Permit No. 8952-3 to Chad or Becki Steinocker, 45350 145th Street, Summit SD 57266, authorizing the construction of the water use system and the placing of water to beneficial use subject to the following limitations, conditions and qualifications:

1. Water Permit No. 8952-3 appropriates 1.78 cubic feet of water per second from one well to be completed into the Big Sioux: North Aquifer (approximately 53 feet deep) located in the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 2 for irrigation of 110 acres located in the SE 1/4 Section 2; all in T121N-R52W. The permit is requesting a diversion rate greater than the statutory limit of 1 cfs per 70 acres. This site is located approximately four miles southeast of Ortley SD.
2. The amount of the appropriation may not exceed 2 acre feet annually for each acre of land to which water is actually and beneficially applied for irrigation. The water is to be used during the following described annual period: April 1 – October 31.
3. The date from which applicant may claim right is April 7, 2025.
4. The date of approval of Permit No. 8952-3 is July 14, 2025.
5. One-fifth of the construction is to be completed on or before January 14, 2028.
6. All construction is to be completed on or before July 14, 2030.
7. Water is to be put to beneficial use on or before July 14, 2034.
8. Water rights obtained in compliance with the laws of the State of South Dakota may not be unlawfully impaired by this appropriation.

QUALIFICATIONS

1. The well approved under Water Permit No. 8952-3 is located near domestic wells and other wells which may obtain water from the same aquifer. The well owner, under this Permit must control withdrawals so there is not a reduction of needed water supplies in adequate domestic wells or in adequate wells having prior water rights.
2. The proposed well authorized by Permit No. 8952-3 must be constructed by a licensed well driller and construction of the well and installation of the pump must comply with Water Management Board Well Construction Rules, Chapter 74:02:04 with the well casing pressure grouted (bottom to top) pursuant to Section 74:02:04:28.
3. This Permit is approved subject to the irrigation water use questionnaire being submitted each year.

WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

By: _____

Mark Mayer
Mark Mayer, PE
Director of Office of Water
Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources

7/29/25
date



FORM 2: Application for irrigation in South Dakota
(type or print)

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Mail to: SD DANR, Water Rights 523 E Capitol Ave Pierre, SD 57501-3182 ph. (605) 773-3352	No. <u>8952-3</u> Hydrologic Unit <u>10170201</u> Basin <u>Upper Big Sioux</u> Newspaper <u>Milbank Grant Co. Review</u> <u>Water town Public Opinion</u> (office use only)
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Application for Permit to Appropriate Water for Irrigation

Type of Application: ☒ New ☐ Vested Right ☐ Amendment/Correction to Permit No. _____
(Use predates Mar 2, 1955)

Description of amendment/correction: (i.e. change diversion point(s), add diversion point(s), change use, etc.)

1. Name to Appear on Irrigation Permit Chad or Becki Steinocker
Note: The "Name to Appear on Irrigation Permit" must be the name in which the property to be irrigated is held in.
Mailing Address 45350 145th Street Summit SD 57266
(Address) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
Phone _____ Mobile 605 520 1875 Email bsteinocker@gmail.com
2. Amount of water claimed 1.78 *CFS or 800 **GPM _____ ***AF Total Acreage 110
(*Cubic Feet per Second) (**Gallons per Minute) (***)Acre Feet - storage capacity of dam/dugout or annual use if applicable)
3. Source of water supply Aquifer NW 1/4 SE 1/4
4. Location of point of diversion NW 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 2 T12N R52W
(example - 3 wells in SW1/4 NE1/4 section 12-T104N-R53W) County Grant
5. County or counties where water will be used Grant
6. Annual period during which water is to be used Spring Summer maybe Fall
April 1st - Oct 31st
7. List below each forty-acre division, or lot, or fraction thereof and show number of acres to be irrigated in each.
(Attach sheet if more space is needed)

Land Description	Acres	Land Description	Acres
NW 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 2 T12N R52W	120 Acres	Only 90 irrigated	
SW 1/4 Sec 2 T12N R52W	84 Acres	Only 60 irrigated	

8. Give a description of the project. (Attach sheet if more space is needed)

At Moment only going to do project #1

I, Chad Steinocker LAND OWNER - _____, the applicant, certify under
Name of Person Title (if applicable)
penalty of perjury that I have read this application, examined the attached map, and that the matters stated are true. I further certify, if
acting on behalf of an entity or individual other than myself, that I am authorized to submit this application.

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Attachments: Attach Form 2A if diversion is from a well or dugout, or if storage of water is proposed. Also, attach map and any other technical information. (see instructions)

Supplemental Information

(type or print)

1. Well Information (check one or both as applicable)

☒ Drilling new well(s) ☐ Using existing well(s)

- a) If new wells, how many 2 Have test holes been drilled? ☒ Yes ☐ No Drilled by Therion Well Co.
(if yes, please provide copies of logs)
- b) If existing wells, how many _____ Provide copy of log(s), if available. Drilled by _____

For either existing or proposed wells:

- c) Well Depth (required) 53' Depth to Top of Water Bearing Material 3' Depth to Water from Surface Est. 8'
- d) Distance to nearest domestic well on applicant's property none Property owned by others 5000'

2. Wastewater Disposal System Information

- a) Type of System (i.e. septic tank, drain field) _____
- b) System Capacity (gallons) _____ Year Constructed _____
- c) Connected to the City of _____ Sanitary System

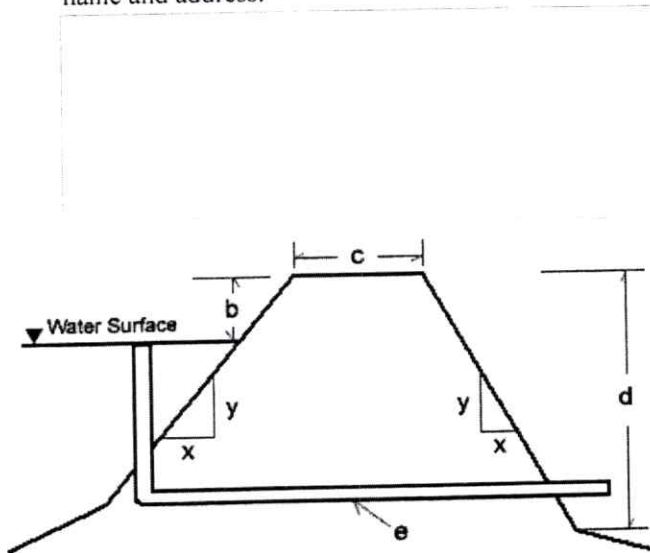
3. Dugout Information

- a) Surface Dimensions _____ Depth _____
- b) Depth to water (ground surface to water level) _____

4. Water Storage Dams

If the proposed water use system contains one or more storage dams, please furnish the information requested below for each dam. The locations of the dams need to be shown on the map submitted with the application.

- a) If a private engineering firm or government agency was involved in the design of this dam, please give their name and address:



- b) Freeboard _____
- c) Crest Width _____
Crest Length _____
- d) Height _____
- e) Primary Outlet Capacity _____
If pipe, diameter _____
- f) Secondary Spillway Capacity _____
Spillway Width _____
- g) X & Y Slope (e.g. 3 to 1 is a typical slope)
Upstream _____
Downstream _____
- h) Area of Impoundment _____
- i) Storage _____ Acre Feet
- j) Drainage Area Above Dam _____ Acres

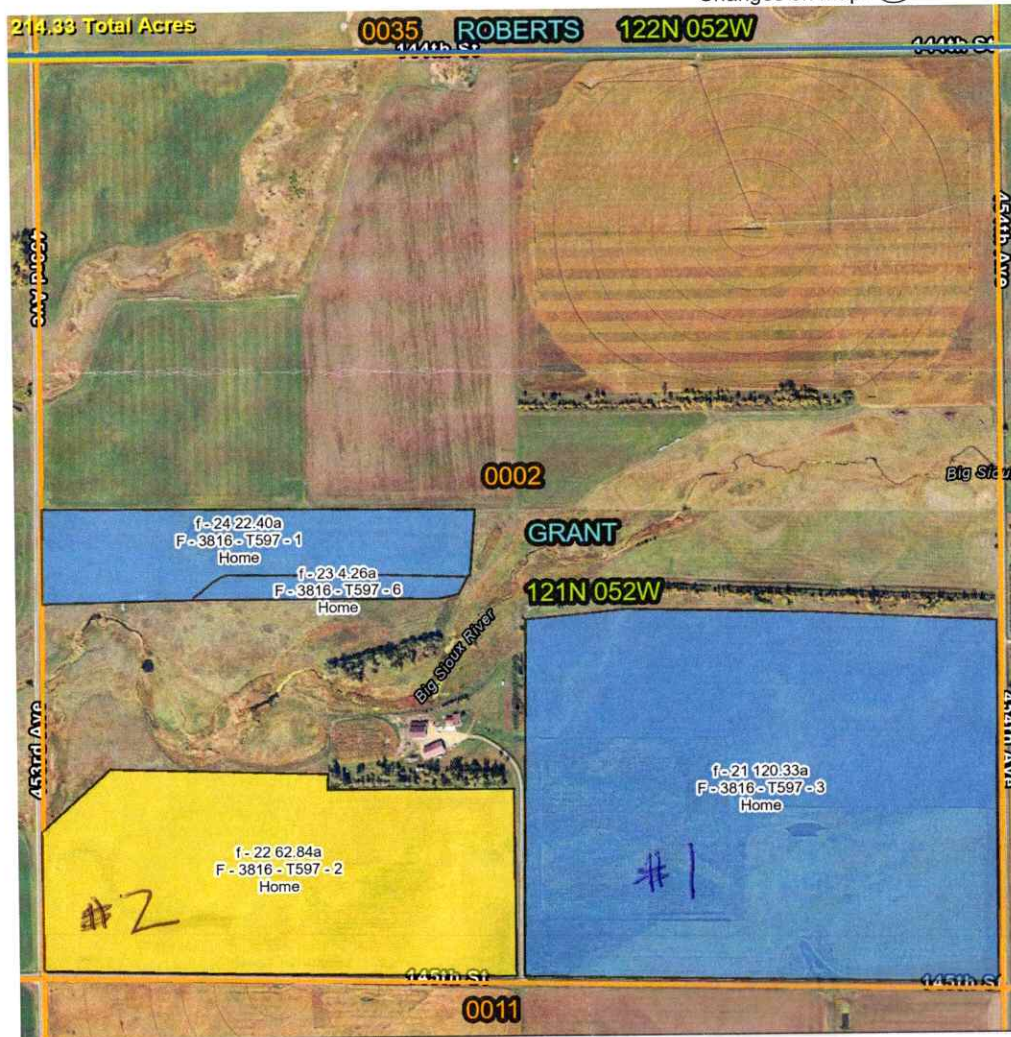
Acreage Report & Production Report
Multiple Peril Crop Insurance

Created By: KPHIMPHARATH
Created: 11/13/2024



NAU Country
A QBE Insurance Company

Policy #:SD-942-2006043-24
CHAD STEINOCKER



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State: 46-SD
County: 051 - GRANT
Legal: 0002-121N052W

Agency/Agent Information:405118 BRESKE CROP INSURANCE INC
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Available Units for map view:

Unit	Crop	Pract/Type	APH Yld
0001-0005 EU	CORN	NON IRR/GSG	125.0
Sub000	1.0000		
	336 HOME		
0001-0005 EU	SOYBEA	NON IRR/COMM	41.0
Sub000	1.0000		
	3816 HOME		

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Design Detail & Summary

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BY LINDSAY

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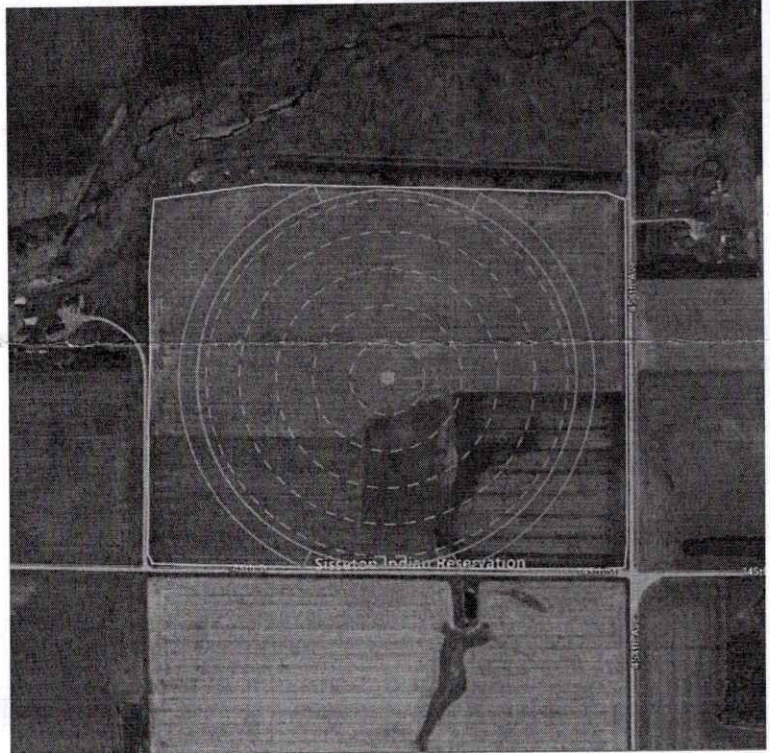
Chad Steinocker



System Name: 5 Tower 8500

Span #	Diameter	Length	Cumulative Length
1	6 - 5/8" (168 mm)	202.25 ft	202.25 ft
2	6 - 5/8" (168 mm)	201.17 ft	403.42 ft
3	6 - 5/8" (168 mm)	201.17 ft	604.58 ft
4	6 - 5/8" (168 mm)	201.17 ft	805.75 ft
5	6 - 5/8" (168 mm)	178.92 ft	984.67 ft
Overhang:	5 - 9/16" (141 mm)	47.00 ft	1031.67 ft
End Gun:	-	3.00 ft	1034.67 ft

Total System Length: 1034.67 ft
 Number of Spans: 5
 Available Outlet Count: 143
 Degree of Sweep: 360 degrees
 Endgun Throw: 100.00 ft
 System Wetted Area: 77.21 acres
 Corner Wetted Area: NA
 End Gun Wetted Area: 11.70 acres
Total Wetted Area: 88.91 acres



Center, Start, Stop Positions

Center Position		Start Position		Stop Position		Angle Degree From North	
Lat	Long	Lat	Long	Lat	Long	Start	Stop
45.285667°	-97.128889°	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.0°	360.0°

Endgun Coverage Area

Primary Endgun	Angle Degree From North		Angle Degree From Start		Start Position		Stop Position		Total Coverage Area
	Start	Stop	Start	Stop	Lat	Long	Lat	Long	
Area 1	26.9°	160.1°	26.9°	160.1°	45.288199°	-97.127072°	45.282999°	-97.127519°	5.79
Area 2	204.0°	340.0°	204.0°	340.0°	45.283075°	-97.130525°	45.288335°	-97.130263°	5.91

Second Endgun	Angle Degree From North		Angle Degree From Start		Start Position		Stop Position		Total Coverage Area
	Start	Stop	Start	Stop	Lat	Long	Lat	Long	

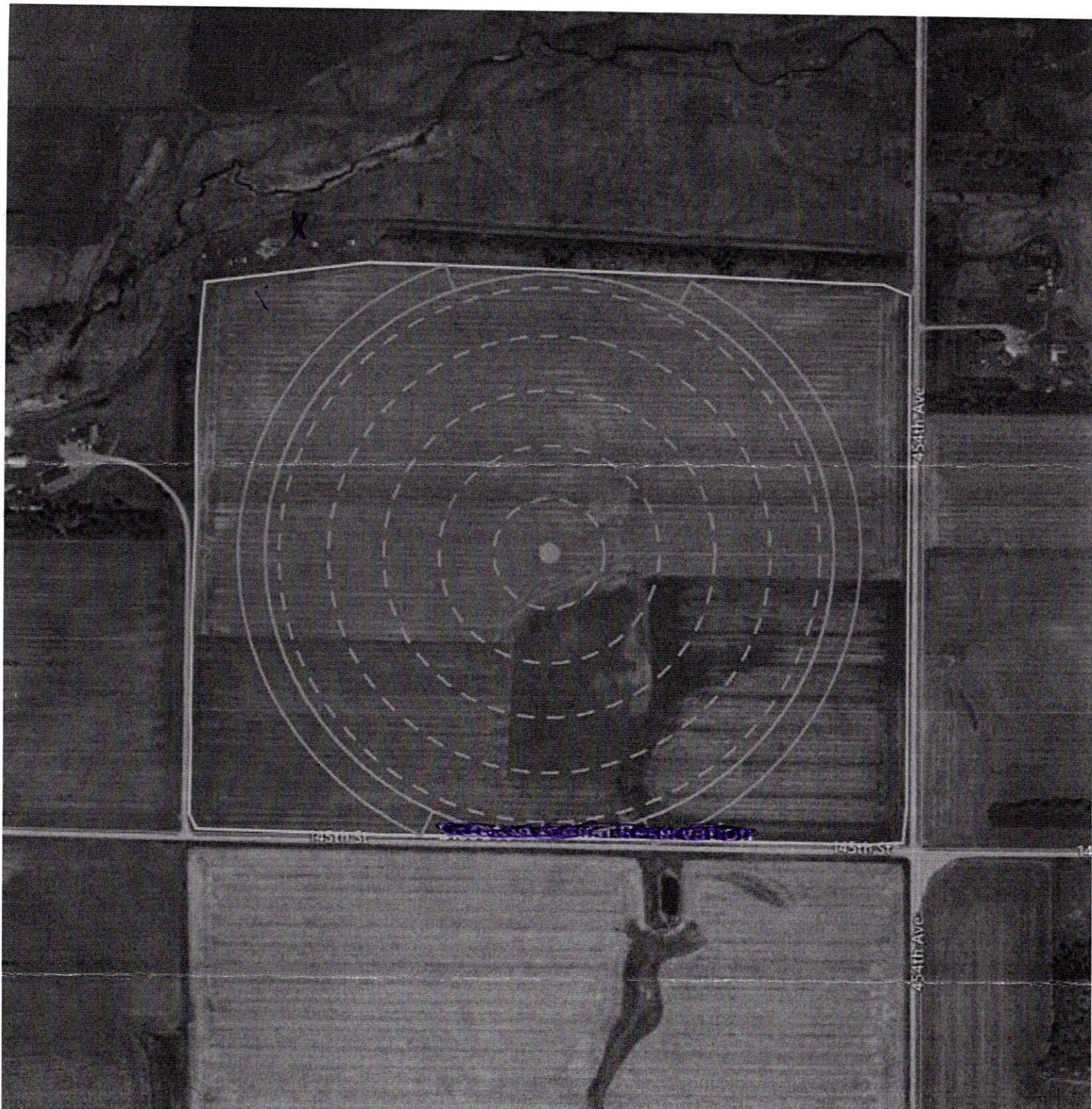
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 Michael Pribbenow - mie.bigstone@gmail.com
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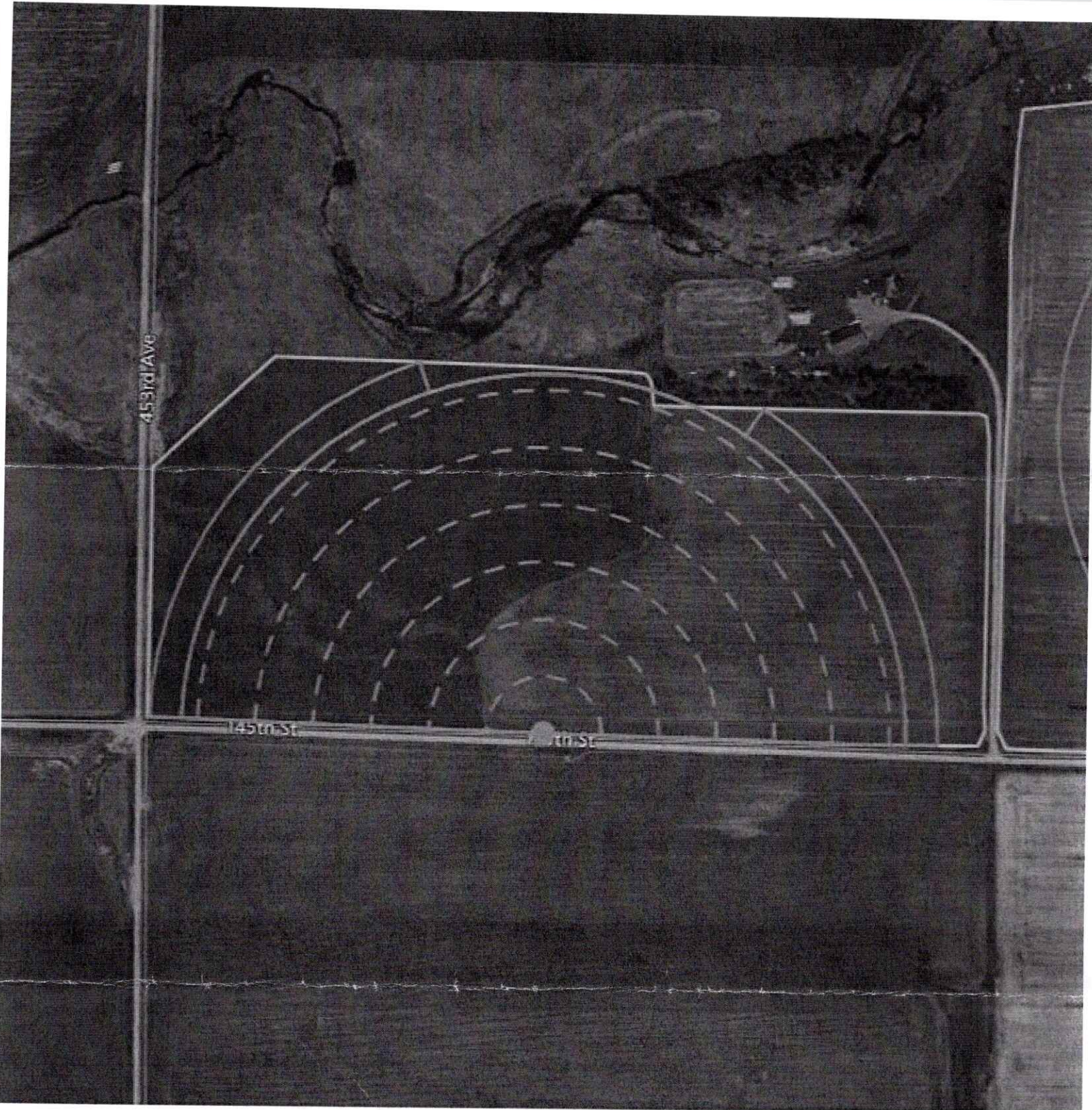
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#1 122 Acres SE 1/4 Section 2
 - 90 Acres Irrigated - T12N R52W

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#2 64 Acres possibility in A
year or so
Appr. 60 Acres Irrigated

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Quote & Sales Order

Chad Steinocker

Summit, SD



Blooming valley Sect 2 se - Field 2 - 8500 West

This Quote is valid for 30 days.

We strongly encourage having a well permit BEFORE ordering any irrigation system.

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Quantity	Part Number	Description
Pivot Structure, Anchor		
1	0120089	6-5/8" Standard Non-Tow
1	0116491	Non-Tow; 8-5/8", 6-5/8", 5-9/16", Short Bolt Package
1	0128918	Pivot Tie Package, 3 Sides
Control Panel, Position, Collector Ring, Fuses, Accessories		
1	0174208	Control Panel, 700C, 30amp
2	1101559	Serial Number (Rivets)
1	1102953	Serial Number Name Plate
1	0174217	GPS, GNSS2, 700C/712C
1	0174212	Collector Ring, 11-wire, for Encoder & GPS
3	1183460	Fuse, 20 Amp, 600 Volt, Class CC
1	0174346	Panel Mounts, Standard Height Pivot Point/4WMP
1	0136796	Pressure Transducer, 0-150#
1	0174215	Riser Bracket, 9500P/8500P
FieldNET		
1	Free FieldNET RTU - Must choose RTU type before ordering	
1	Free 12-month FieldNET subscription (\$400 value)	
Spans, Overhang, Joints		
6	0156040	6-5/8", 179' (54.57m) Solid, 90" spacing, 8500P
1	0165790	5-9/16" x 44' (13.41m) Overhang, 90" Spacing, 8500P
5	0165570	6-5/8" Joint, 8500P
1	0137745	6-5/8", Last Tower Joint
Endgun Parts		
1	0174033	Nelson SR100, Threaded
1	0174031	End Pipe/Flushout Kit, Galvanized
1	0174015	Booster Pump, 130 GPM
1	0174028	Tower Mounted, 33'-44' O.H., Stainless
1	0174042	Aquamatic, Galvanized Fittings
1	1616852	Plug, 2-1/2", Galvanized
1	0620880	Plug, 2", Galvanized

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122N 52W
Section: 27
143 ST

122N 52W
Section: 26

122N 52W
Section: 25

122N 52W
Section: 34
453 AVE

122N 52W
Section: 35
144 ST

122N 52W
Section: 36

10170201 Upper Big Sioux

121N 52W
Section: 03

121N 52W
Section: 02

Big Sioux

121N 52W
Section: 01

145 ST

121N 52W
Section: 10

121N 52W
Section: 11
454 AVE

121N 52W
Section: 12

SOUTH DAKOTA WATER WELL COMPLETION REPORT

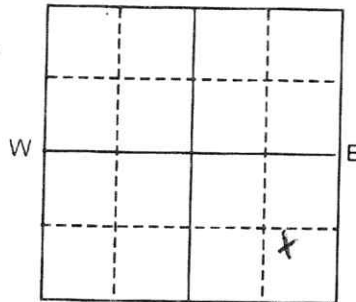
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Location XXX 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 2 Twp 121 Rg 52

SW per driller AWM 5/8/2025

County GRANT

North

Please mark well
location with an "X"

Well Completion Date

MARCH 2025

1 Mile

Distance to nearest potential pollution source (septic tank, abandoned well, feed lot, etc.)?
ft. from TEST HOLE ONLY (identify source)

PROPOSED USE:

☐ Domestic/Stock ☐ Municipal ☐ Business ☒ Test holes
☐ Irrigation ☐ Industrial ☐ Institutional ☐ Monitoring well
METHOD OF DRILLING:
MUD ROTARY

CASING DATA:

☐ Steel ☐ Plastic ☐ Other

If other describe

PIPEWEIGHT	DIAMETER	FROM	TO	HOLE DIAMETER
LB/FT	IN	FT	FT	6.25 IN
LB/FT	IN	FT	FT	IN
LB/FT	IN	FT	FT	IN

GROUTING DATA:

Grout Type	No. of Sacks	Grout Weight	From	To
BENTONITE	5	Lb/gal	0.0 Ft	60.0 Ft
		Lb/gal	Ft	Ft

Describe grouting procedure

TREMIE PIPED

SCREEN:

☐ Perforated pipe ☐ Manufactured

Diameter _____ Inches Length _____ Feet

Material _____

Slot Size _____ Set From _____ Feet to _____ Feet

Other information

WAS A PACKER OR SEAL USED?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, what material?

Describe packer(s) and location

DISINFECTION: Was well disinfected upon completion?

☐ Yes, How?

☒ No, Why Not? TEST HOLE ONLY
 Lab to which water quality sample sent for analysis
Well Owner: CHAD STEINOCKER

Business Name:

Address: 45350 145TH STCity, State, Zip: SUMMIT SD 57266

WELL LOG:

FORMATION	DEPTH	
	FROM	TO
TOP SOIL	0	2
GRAVEL	2	9
YELLOW CLAY	9	14
ROCKS/ YELLOW CLAY	14	28
GRAY CLAY	28	31
YELLOW CLAY	31	48
BROWN CLAY	48	49
YELLOW CLAY	49	51
BROWN/ YELLOW CLAY	51	60

STATIC WATER LEVEL

FEET

If flowing: closed in pressure _____ PSI

GPM flow _____ through _____ Inch pipe

Controlled by ☐ Valve ☐ Reducers ☐ Other

Reduced flow rate _____ GPM

Can well be completely shut in?

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WELL TEST DATA:

☐ Pumped Describe:

☐ Bailed

☐ Other

Pumping Level Below Land Surface

_____ Ft. After _____ Hrs. pumped _____ GPM

_____ Ft. After _____ Hrs. pumped _____ GPM

If pump installed, pump rate: _____ GPM

REMARKS

TH # 1 GPS N 45 17.1430 W 97 7.7600

This well was drilled under license # 475 and this report is true and accurate.Drilling firm: THEIN WELL COMPANY, INCORPORATED

Signature of License Representative:

Michael Thein

Signature of Well Owner or Equitable Property Holder:

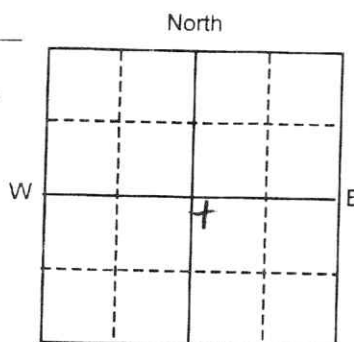
Date: _____

SOUTH DAKOTA WATER WELL COMPLETION REPORT

11-02

Location NW ¼ SE ¼ Sec 2 Twp 121 Rg 52

County GRANT

Please mark well
location with an "X"

Well Completion Date

MARCH 2025

1 Mile

Distance to nearest potential pollution source (septic tank, abandoned well, feed lot, etc.)?
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PROPOSED USE:

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PIPEWEIGHT	DIAMETER	FROM	TO	HOLE DIAMETER
LB/FT	IN	FT	FT	6.25 IN
LB/FT	IN	FT	FT	IN
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GROUTING DATA:

Grout Type	No. of Sacks	Grout Weight	From	To
BENTONITE	5	Lb/gal	0.0 Ft	60.0 Ft
		Lb/gal	Ft	Ft

Describe grouting procedure
TREMIE PIPED

SCREEN:

☐ Perforated pipe ☐ Manufactured

Diameter _____ Inches Length _____ Feet

Material _____

Slot Size _____ Set From _____ Feet to _____ Feet

Other information _____

WAS A PACKER OR SEAL USED?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, what material?

Describe packer(s) and location

DISINFECTION: Was well disinfected upon completion?

☐ Yes, How?

☒ No, Why Not? TEST HOLE ONLY
 Lab to which water quality sample sent for analysis

Well Owner: CHAD STEINOCKER

Business Name:

Address: 45350 145TH ST

City, State, Zip: SUMMIT SD 57266

WELL LOG:

FORMATION	DEPTH	
	FROM	TO
TOP SOIL	0	3
SAND/ GRAVEL	3	31
BLUE CLAY W/ SAND	31	44
BLUE CLAY	44	60

STATIC WATER LEVEL

FEET

If flowing: closed in pressure

PSI

GPM flow _____ through _____

Inch pipe

Controlled by ☐ Valve ☐ Reducers ☐ Other

Reduced flow rate

GPM

Can well be completely shut in?

WELL TEST DATA:

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☐ Bailed

☐ Other
OFFICE OF
WATER

Pumping Level Below Land Surface

_____ Ft. After _____ Hrs. pumped _____ GPM

_____ Ft. After _____ Hrs. pumped _____ GPM

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REMARKS

TH # 2 GPS N 45 17.3360 W 97 7.9310

This well was drilled under license # 475 and this report is true and accurate.

Drilling firm: THEIN WELL COMPANY, INCORPORATED

Signature of License Representative:

Signature of Well Owner or Equitable Property Holder:

Date:

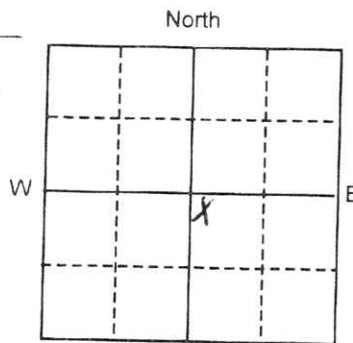
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MARCH 2025

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GROUTING DATA:

Grout Type	No. of Sacks	Grout Weight	From	To
BENTONITE	4	Lb/gal	0.0 Ft	40.0 Ft
		Lb/gal	Ft	Ft

Describe grouting procedure
TREMIE PIPED

SCREEN:

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TH # 3 GPS N 45 17.3180 W 97 8.0330

This well was drilled under license # 475 and this report is true and accurate.

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Signature of License Representative:

Michael Thein

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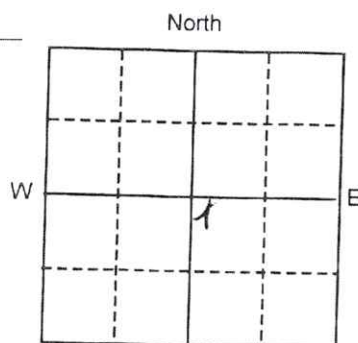
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Well Owner: CHAD STEINOCKER

Business Name:

Address: 45350 145TH ST

City, State, Zip: SUMMIT SD 57266

WELL LOG:

FORMATION	DEPTH	
	FROM	TO
TOP SOIL	0	2
GRAVEL	2	27
ROCKS	27	28
BLUE CLAY/ SOME GRAVEL	28	40

STATIC WATER LEVEL

FEET

If flowing: closed in pressure _____ PSI

GPM flow _____ through _____ Inch pipe

Controlled by ☐ Valve ☐ Reducers ☐ Other _____

Reduced flow rate _____ GPM

Can well be completely shut in?

WELL TEST DATA:

☐ Pumped Describe:

☐ Bailed

☐ Other

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Pumping Level Below Land Surface

_____ Ft. After _____ Hrs. pumped _____ GPM

_____ Ft. After _____ Hrs. pumped _____ GPM

If pump installed, pump rate: _____ GPM

REMARKS

TH #4 GPS N 45.2897 W 97.1306 7.8260
17.3810

45.2897, -97.1306

AWM 5/8/2025

This well was drilled under license # 475 and this report is true and accurate.

Drilling firm: THEIN WELL COMPANY, INCORPORATED

Signature of License Representative:

Michael Thein

Signature of Well Owner or Equitable Property Holder:

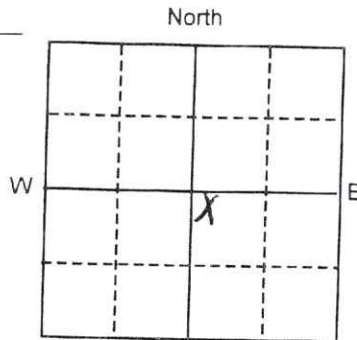
Date:

SOUTH DAKOTA WATER WELL COMPLETION REPORT

11-02

Location NW ¼ SE ¼ Sec 2 Twp 121 Rg 52

County GRANT

Please mark well
location with an "X"

Well Completion Date

MARCH 2025

1 Mile

Distance to nearest potential pollution source (septic tank, abandoned well, feed lot, etc.)?
ft. from TEST HOLE ONLY (identify source)

PROPOSED USE:

☐ Domestic/Stock ☐ Municipal ☐ Business ☒ Test holes
☐ Irrigation ☐ Industrial ☐ Institutional ☐ Monitoring well

METHOD OF DRILLING:

MUD ROTARY

CASING DATA:

☐ Steel ☐ Plastic ☐ Other
 If other describe _____

PIPEWEIGHT	DIAMETER	FROM	TO	HOLE DIAMETER
LB/FT	IN	FT	FT	6.25 IN
LB/FT	IN	FT	FT	IN
LB/FT	IN	FT	FT	IN

GROUTING DATA:

Grout Type	No. of Sacks	Grout Weight	From	To
BENTONITE	5	Lb/gal	0.0 Ft	60.0 Ft
		Lb/gal	Ft	Ft

Describe grouting procedure

TREMIE PIPED

SCREEN:

☐ Perforated pipe ☐ Manufactured
 Diameter _____ Inches Length _____ Feet
 Material _____
 Slot Size _____ Set From _____ Feet to _____ Feet
 Other information _____

WAS A PACKER OR SEAL USED?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, what material?

Describe packer(s) and location

DISINFECTION: Was well disinfected upon completion?

☐ Yes, How?

☒ No, Why Not? TEST HOLE ONLY
 Lab to which water quality sample sent for analysis

Well Owner: CHAD STEINOCKER

Business Name:

Address: 45350 145TH ST

City, State, Zip: SUMMIT SD 57266

WELL LOG:

FORMATION	DEPTH	
	FROM	TO
TOP SOIL	0	2
YELLOW CLAY	2	3
GRAVEL	3	29
BLUE CLAY SAND MIX	29	35
SAND	35	38
BLUE CLAY	38	48
CLAY SAND MIX	48	53
ROCK	53	54
BLUE CLAY SOME GRAVEL	54	60

STATIC WATER LEVEL

FEET

If flowing: closed in pressure

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GPM flow

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Inch pipe

Controlled by ☐ Valve ☐ Reducers ☐ Other

Reduced flow rate

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Can well be completely shut in?

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WELL TEST DATA:

MAY 08 2025

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WATER

Pumping Level Below Land Surface

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If pump installed, pump rate:

GPM

REMARKS

TH #5 GPS N 45 17.3500 W 97 8.8640 per driller
AWM 5/8/2025

45.2892, -97.1312 per AWM 5/8/2025

This well was drilled under license # 475 and this report is true and accurate.

Drilling firm: THEIN WELL COMPANY, INCORPORATED

Signature of License Representative:

Michael Thein

Signature of Well Owner or Equitable Property Holder:

Date:

RECEIPT

WATER RIGHTS PROGRAM South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Date April 11th, 2025

RECEIVED OF Chad or Becki Steinocker 45350 145th Street Summit SD 57266

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

Fee for Application for Permit No. <u>8952-3</u> to Appropriate Water, to construct and to put water to beneficial use	\$ <u>850.00</u>
Fee for Application for Permit No. _____ to Appropriate Water for Future use	\$ _____
Fee to retain Future Use Permit No. _____ after period of seven years.	\$ _____
Fee for Inspecting Constructed Works, confirming beneficial use and issuing Water License No. <u>8952-3</u>	\$ <u>200.00</u>
Fee for Filing Transfer Form _____	\$ _____
Fee for _____	\$ _____
Fee for Issuing New Well Driller's License No. _____	\$ _____
Fee for Renewal of Well Driller's License No. _____	\$ _____
Fee for Issuing Well Pump Installer's License No. _____	\$ _____
Fee for Renewal of Well Pump Installer's License No. _____	\$ _____
(Any Other Work Provided by Law)	
TOTAL	\$ <u>1050.00</u>

By Mark Maye
Chief Engineer

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**DEPARTMENT of AGRICULTURE
and NATURAL RESOURCES**

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April 23, 2025

Chad and Becki Steinocker
45350 145th St
Summit SD 57266

Mr. and Mrs. Steinocker:

As requested by email on April 23, 2025, pursuant to South Dakota Well Construction Standard 74:02:04:21, you are authorized to have Thein Well Company Inc construct a test well prior to approval of a water permit. The test well will be located in the SE ¼ Sec. 02-T121N-R52W in Grant County. The well will be approximately 53 feet deep targeting the Big Sioux: North aquifer. All test wells must be constructed in accordance with the SD Well Construction Standards. Any test holes or test wells that are abandoned must be plugged pursuant to the SD Well Construction Standards.

Authorization must be obtained before water from the well can be used in excess of domestic use as defined by South Dakota Codified Law 46-1-6(7) or for uses other than domestic use. All test or permanent wells to be constructed under this test well permission must be constructed using the methods described in Administrative Rule of South Dakota (ARSD) 74:02:04:28. Approval of this test well does not assure issuance of a water permit. Following review of a Water Permit Application and assessing the availability of water, the potential impacts to existing users, the beneficial use, and the public interest of a permit, the Chief Engineer will make a recommendation to the Water Management Board regarding the application. The recommendation to approve, deny, or defer the application will be publicly noticed and an opportunity afforded for the public to intervene. A public hearing may be required to consider the water permit. If you have questions regarding permitting, please call Amanda Dewell at (605) 773-3352.

Sincerely,

Mark Mayer, PE
Director of Office of Water
SD DANR
(605)773-3352

CC: Thein Well Company Inc

App No. 8952-3

WATER RIGHTS PROGRAM -- FILE DOCUMENTATION

NAME & ADDRESS: Chad Steinocker – Summit SD

DATE: 04/23/2025

TELEPHONE: 605-520-1875

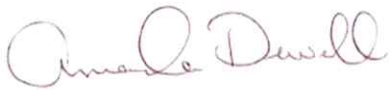
RE: application Q & A

COMMENTS:

After receiving the email I'd sent on April 22, 2025, Chad called to confirm that the application should only be for "Project #1", encompassing 110 acres in the SE ¼ Section 2-T121N-R52W.

The field is 120 acres, the irrigation salesman calculated the system would hit approximately 90 acres, and Chad has decided to apply for 110 acres to cover any over development.

During our conversation Chad also asked about drilling the well before a recommendation was made on the application. I sent him an email outlining how to request a permission for a test well and the information that would be required.



Amanda Dewell
Water Rights Program

Dewell, Amanda

From: Dewell, Amanda
Sent: Tuesday, April 22, 2025 2:08 PM
To: bsteinocker@gmail.com
Subject: Water Permit Application
Attachments: Sec2T121NR52W.pdf

Good afternoon,

I am currently reviewing a Water Permit application for irrigation purposes submitted by Chad & Becki Steinocker. While it appears our Program Assistant, Rachel, has reached out. I just have a few follow-up/clarifying questions.

- You described 2 projects on the application. Project #1 is identified as 122 acres in the SE ¼ Section 2-T121N-R52W, but you note that only 90 acres will be irrigated. Project #2 is identified as 64 acres in the S ½ SW ¼ Section 2-T121N-R52W, but you've noted only 60 acres will be irrigated.
- There is also a note at the bottom of the application that "you are only going to do Project #1" at the moment. Once a permit is approved, you are provided 5 years to construct the project and an additional 4 years after that to place water to beneficial use. If the system is not constructed within that initial 5 years, the Permit is subject to cancellation due to non-construction.

With this email I would like to confirm whether this application should be for only developing for Project #1 (122 or 90 acres), or if for both projects, (122 + 64) **186** acres or (90 + 60) **150** acres?

Finally, the maps submitted with the application identify the locations of the proposed irrigation systems, however, I did not see any well indication. Please mark with an "X" the proposed well location on the attached aerial image.

Thank you,

Amanda Dewell

DANR - Water Rights Program
Permitting Administrator
Main Phone: 605 773-3352
Website: danr.sd.gov



Water Rights Program - File Documentation

NAME: Chad Steinocker

ADDRESS: 45350 145th Street, Summit SD 57266

DATE: 04-14-25

RE: Total acres

COMMENTS:

Bases on the reply email, I called Chad to clarify that he just wanted the 120 acres in the SE 1/4 of Section 2-T121N-R52. He stated, yes, he agreed and asked how long before he would have his permit. I explained the timeline to him.

Rachel Rodriguez

Rachel Rodriguez

Water Rights Program

605 773-3352

rachel.rodriguez@state.sd.us

Rodriguez, Rachel

From: Becki Steinocker <bsteinocker@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, April 11, 2025 12:14 PM
To: Rodriguez, Rachel
Subject: Re: [EXT] Water Permit Application

It will only be a 5 tower irrigation that will only cover 90 acres.
Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 11, 2025, at 11:36 AM, Rodriguez, Rachel <Rachel.Rodriguez@state.sd.us> wrote:

Good morning,

I am in receipt of your water permit application for irrigation. There is one issue:

1. You listed several different acres, on the first page is 120, 90, on the map 122, 90. So, my question is, is there any chance that you would be irrigating the full 122 acres? The reason I ask is that if in the future you decide to irrigate the full 122 acres and an inspection is done that determines you are irrigating over what the permit states (120), it would require another water permit application.
2. Based on your response, the fee would change as follows: application fee \$950.00, inspection fee \$200.00 = total \$1,150.00. Therefore, we would need an additional \$100.00.

Thank you,

Rachel Rodriguez
DANR | Program Assistant
Rachel.Rodriguez@state.sd.us
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**RECOMMENDATION OF ACTING CHIEF ENGINEER FOR WATER PERMIT
APPLICATION NO. 8952-3, Chad or Becki Steinocker**

Pursuant to SDCL 46-2A-2, the following is the recommendation of the Acting Chief Engineer, Water Rights Program, Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources concerning Water Permit Application No. 8952-3, Chad or Becki Steinocker, 45350 145th Street, Summit SD 57266.

The Acting Chief Engineer is recommending APPROVAL of Application No. 8952-3 because 1) there is reasonable probability that there is unappropriated water available for the applicant's proposed use, 2) the proposed diversion can be developed without unlawful impairment of existing domestic water uses and water rights, 3) the proposed use is a beneficial use and 4) it is in the public interest as it pertains to matters of public interest within the regulatory authority of the Water Management Board with the following qualifications:

1. The well approved under Water Permit No. 8952-3 is located near domestic wells and other wells which may obtain water from the same aquifer. The well owner, under this Permit must control withdrawals so there is not a reduction of needed water supplies in adequate domestic wells or in adequate wells having prior water rights.
2. The proposed well authorized by Permit No. 8952-3 must be constructed by a licensed well driller and construction of the well and installation of the pump must comply with Water Management Board Well Construction Rules, Chapter 74:02:04 with the well casing pressure grouted (bottom to top) pursuant to Section 74:02:04:28.
3. This Permit is approved subject to the irrigation water use questionnaire being submitted each year.

See report on application for additional information.

Mark Mayer, PE
Director of Office of Water
June 11, 2025

**Report to the Chief Engineer on
Water Permit Application No. 8952-3**
Steinocker
3 June 2025

Water Permit Application No. 8952-3 proposes to appropriate 1.78 cubic feet of water per second (cfs) from one well to be completed into the Big Sioux: North aquifer (approximately 53 feet deep) located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 2 for the irrigation of 110 acres in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 2; all in T121N-R52W. The applicant is requesting a diversion rate greater than the statutory limit of 1 cfs per 70 acres. This site is located in Grant County approximately four miles southeast of Ortley, South Dakota.

Aquifer: Big Sioux: North (BS:N)

Hydrogeologic Characteristics

The Big Sioux: North aquifer is composed of the saturated and contiguous portions of sand and gravel outwash and alluvium deposited during the Quaternary geological period near land surface. This aquifer underlies the floodplain of the Big Sioux River and its tributaries north of the United States Geological Survey Stream Gaging station near Castlewood, South Dakota [1] [2]. The Big Sioux: North aquifer is in hydrologic connection with multiple surface water features such as Pelican Lake, Lake Kampeska, and Still Lake, as well as the Big Sioux River and its tributaries. The Big Sioux: North aquifer is generally under unconfined conditions [3], which means water in wells does not tend to rise above the aquifer formation. Hedges et al [1] estimated in 1982 that the Big Sioux: North aquifer had an area of approximately 83,500 acres in Codington, Grant, Hamlin, Roberts, and Day counties and stored an estimated 187,880 ac-ft of recoverable water. Stonesifer [4] re-evaluated aquifer area in 2013 and estimated the aquifer extent to be 111,700 acres and the storage to be approximately 370,000 ac-ft of recoverable water.

The applicant submitted five test holes with this application which, in addition to nearby water rights and observation wells, are mapped in Figure 1, with nearby water rights described in Table 1 below it. The test holes were of varying depths, but all showed a layer of sand or gravel deposits near the surface, consistent with the characteristics of the Big Sioux: North aquifer, as shown in Figure 2. Based on the test hole information showing that the aquifer formation is near land surface, the Big Sioux: North aquifer is likely to be unconfined near this application.

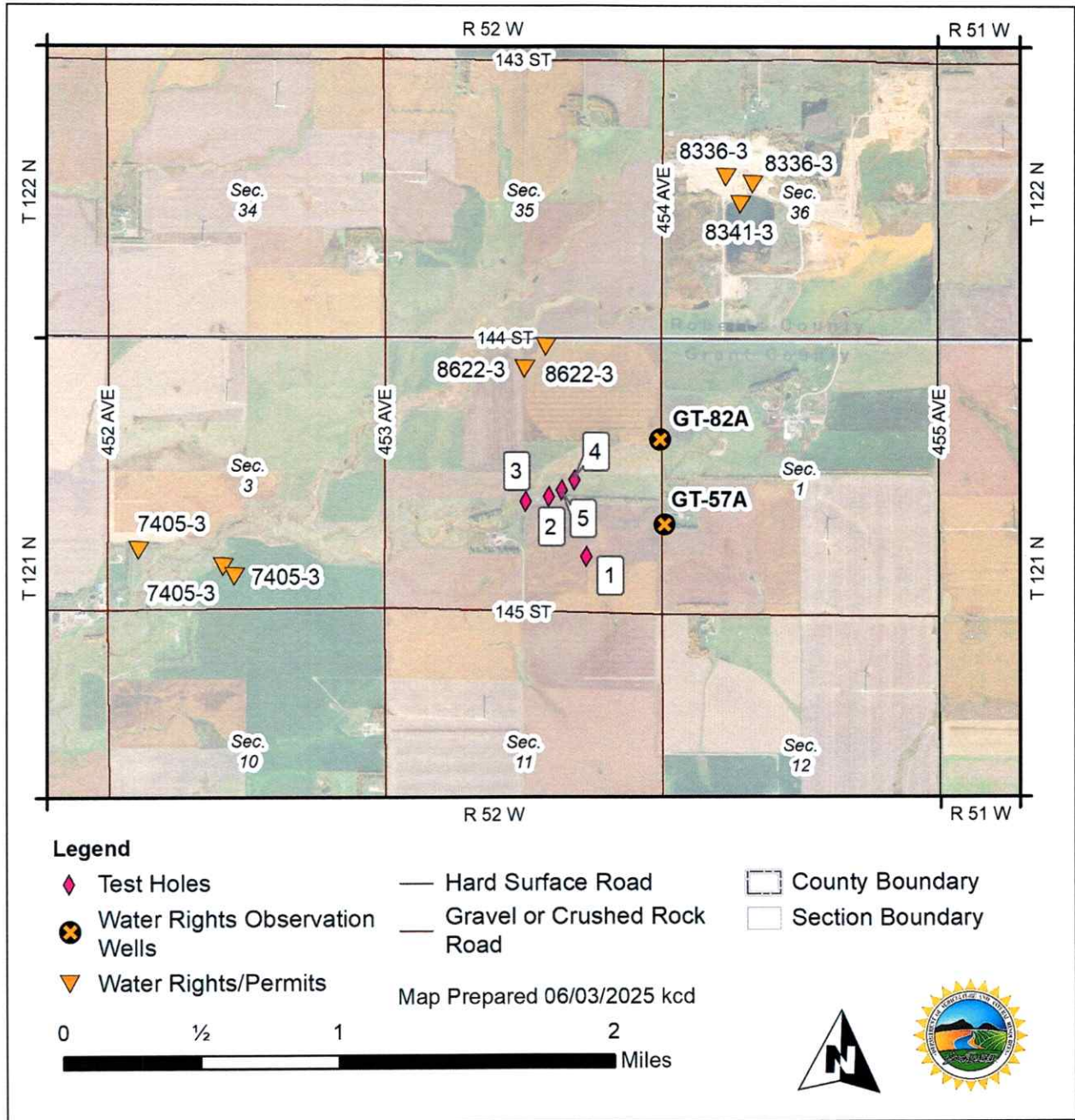


Figure 1: Map of test holes submitted for this application and nearby water rights/permits [5] and observation wells [3] in the targeted aquifer.

Table 1: Water rights shown in Figure 1 [5]

Permit No.	Name/Business	Status	Use Types	Section	CFS	Acres	Max. ac-ft/yr	Priority
7405-3	Zirbel Dairy	LC	IRR	3	2.450	192	384.0	08/24/2012
8336-3	L G Everist Inc	LC	COM, IND	36	0.044	N/A	5.5	03/12/2018
8341-3	L G Everist Inc	LC	IND	36	6.670	N/A	1,199.0	03/26/2018
8622-3	Cory Amdahl	LC	IRR	2	1.450	99	198.0	03/29/2022

LC – License, IRR – Irrigation, COM – Commercial, IND - Industrial

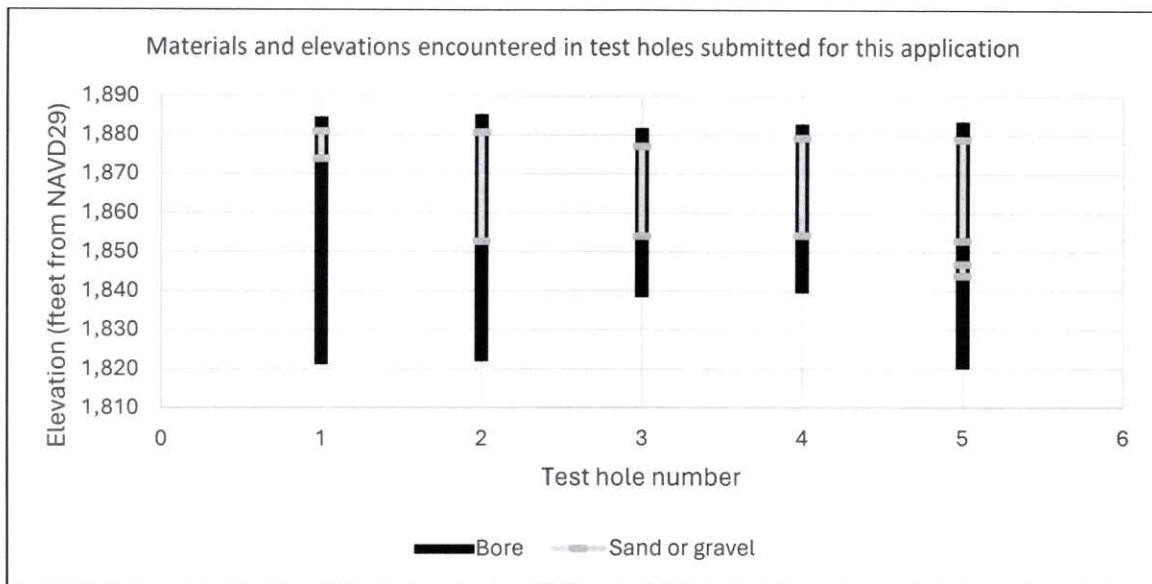


Figure 2: Test hole bore elevations [6] and elevations where sand and gravel were encountered

Applicable South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL)

Pursuant to SDCL 46-2A-9, a permit to appropriate water may be issued if there is reasonable probability that there is unappropriated water available for the applicant's proposed use, that the proposed diversion can be developed without unlawful impairment of existing domestic water uses and water rights, and that the proposed use is a beneficial use and in the public interest as it pertains to matters of public interest within the regulatory authority of the Water Management Board. This report will only assess the availability of water and possibility of developing this application without unlawful impairment of existing domestic water uses and water rights.

Pursuant to SDCL 46-6-3.1, no application to appropriate groundwater may be approved if, according to the best information reasonably available, it is probable that the quantity of water withdrawn annually from a groundwater source will exceed the quantity of the average estimated annual recharge of the water to the groundwater source. An exception allows water distribution systems to withdraw from groundwater sources older or stratigraphically lower than the Greenhorn Formation regardless of the results of a hydrologic budget. The applicant is not a water distribution system as defined in SDCL 46-1-6(17) and the Big Sioux: North aquifer is younger and stratigraphically higher than the Greenhorn Formation. Therefore, the Water Management Board must find that recharge to the aquifer exceeds withdrawals to approve this application.

Pursuant to SDCL 46-5-6 the amount of water diverted may not exceed 1 cfs per 70 acres irrigated, but also provides that the "Water Management Board may allow a greater diversion, in volume or rate or both, if the method of irrigation, any time constraints on diversion of water, or the type of soil so requires." The applicant is requesting to divert more than 1 cfs per 70 acres for this application. The method of irrigation includes a center pivot that is shorter than a standard quarter mile length center pivot. Frequently, under-sized center pivots operate at a proportionally

higher flow rate to function as designed. In the past, the Water Management Board has approved applications that request a higher diversion rate than the statutory limit for similar reasons.

Availability of Water

Hydrologic Budget

Recharge

Recharge to the Big Sioux: North aquifer management unit is from infiltration of precipitation and seepage from surface water bodies when the water levels in those bodies are higher than the water table of the aquifer [7]. Hedges, Allen, and Holly [8] estimated the recharge rate to the Big Sioux: North aquifer management unit using observation well analysis and found that recharge to the management unit was 3.2 inches per year. Other studies estimating recharge to the aquifer are available and summarized by Hansen [9], but the method using observation well analysis from the Hedges, Allen, and Holly [8] report is the only recharge rate which specifically refers to the North management unit of the Big Sioux aquifer and also relies upon direct measurements of the aquifer. Applying 3.2 inches per year of recharge over the 111,700 acres of aquifer estimated by Stonesifer [4], the average annual recharge is estimated to be approximately 29,800 ac-ft/yr. Putnam and Thompson [7] used observation well analysis in the Big Sioux aquifer in Grant and Codington counties from 1978 to 1985 to estimate that average annual recharge to the aquifer in that area ranges from 2.9 to 5.8 inches per year. Applied over the 111,700 acres estimated by Stonesifer, the Putnam and Thompson estimate of recharge ranges from approximately 27,000 to 54,000 ac-ft/yr.

Discharge

Discharge from the Big Sioux: North aquifer management unit is mainly by evapotranspiration when the water table of the aquifer is near land surface, groundwater outflow to other aquifers or water bodies when the water table of the aquifer is higher than the hydraulic head of the other water bodies or aquifers, and by domestic and appropriative withdrawals from wells [7]. Due to their relatively low withdrawal rate and the prevalence of water distribution systems, domestic withdrawals are estimated to be negligible to the hydrologic budget. There are 102 water rights/permits authorized to withdraw from the Big Sioux: North aquifer and three future use permits reserving 3,469 ac-ft/yr [5]. Of the 102 water rights/permits, 61 are for irrigation, 19 for some kind of water distribution system (municipal, rural water, etc.), 16 for commercial use, and six for industrial use [5]. Figure 3 shows irrigation reported in the Big Sioux: North aquifer from 1979 through 2024 [10] [11]. The average irrigation reported over the entire period of record is 2,520 ac-ft/yr. However, with increased appropriations and changes in irrigation practices, the average withdrawal over the period of record is likely to be less than the average annual use currently. The average irrigation use reported from 2015 through 2024 is 3,557 ac-ft/yr, which is the value that will be used for the hydrologic budget.

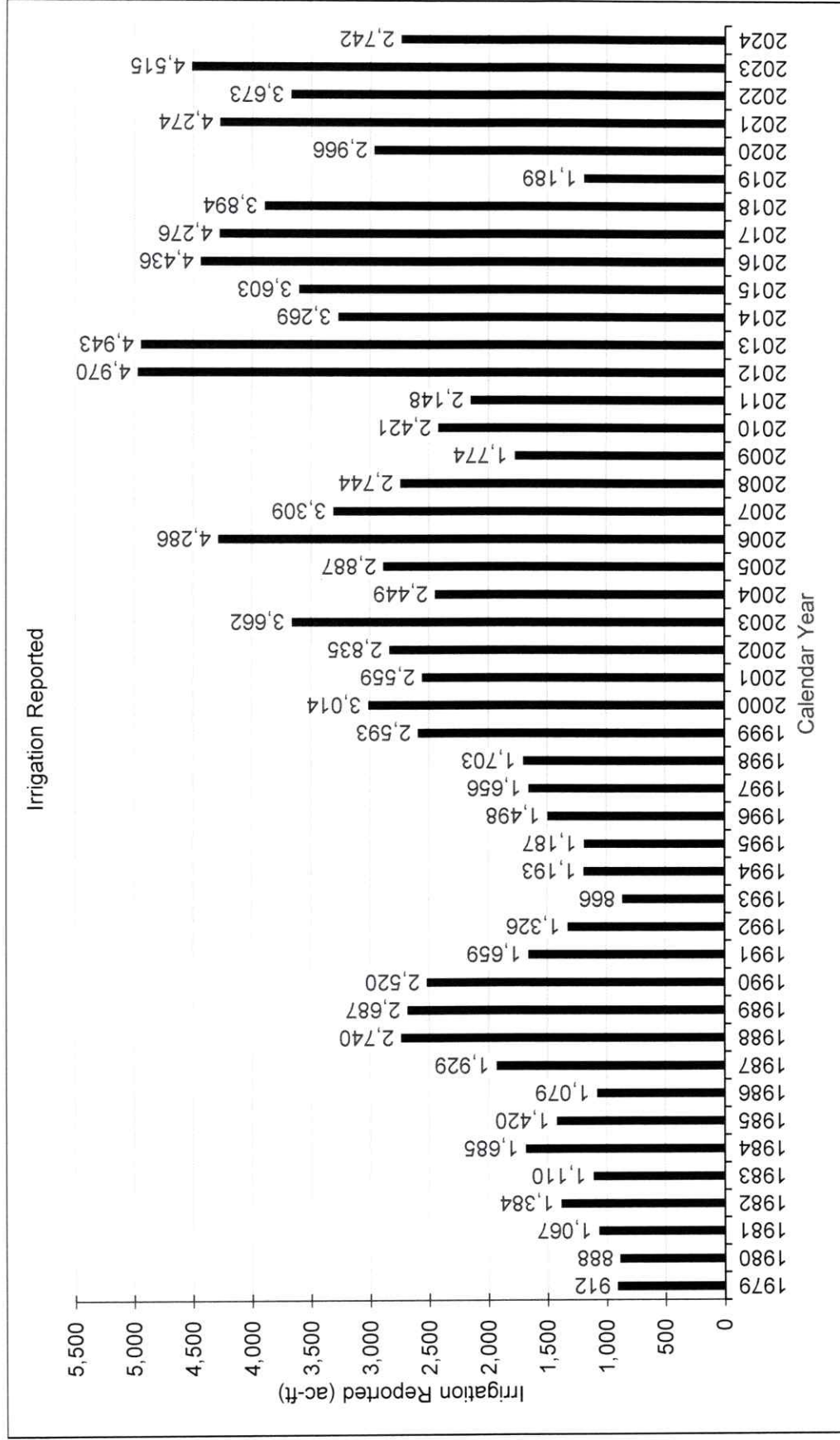


Figure 3: Irrigation Reported in the Big Sioux: North aquifer from 1979 through 2024 [10] [11]

There are eight non-irrigation permits which are required to report their withdrawals, shown in Table 2 [5]. Permits with fewer than ten years of reports are likely to still be developing, so they are estimated to withdraw the full volume listed on their permit. Therefore, the estimated average annual withdrawal from non-irrigation permits which are required to report their withdrawals is 3,410 ac-ft/yr. The two non-irrigation permits which are not required to report but have a volume limit listed on their permit are estimated to withdraw the total volume listed on their permit, a sum of 2,359 ac-ft/yr. The 31 non-irrigation permits which only have a maximum withdrawal rate listed on their permit are assumed to withdraw at their licensed or permitted rate 60 percent of the time, for a total estimated average annual withdrawal of 8,543 ac-ft/yr.

Table 2: Non-irrigation permits in the Big Sioux: North aquifer required to report their withdrawals [12]

Permit No.	Name/Business	Number of Reports	Average Report (ac-ft)	Max. CFS	Volume Limit on Permit (ac-ft/yr)	Est. Avg. Annual Use (ac-ft/yr)
7969-3	Bronson Custom Farms Inc	10	183	0.200	N/A	183
6595-3	Clark RWS Inc	19	118	0.440	404	118
8771-3	County Line Dairy LLC	1	0	1.550	230	230
8336-3	L G Everist Inc	6	0	0.044	6	6
8770-3	Sioux River Dairy Inc	1	46	0.279	112	112
8297-3	Valley View Farms Inc	7	21	0.080	35	35
7055-3	Watertown Municipal Utilities	16	2,441	8.000	4,500	2,441
6856-3	Watertown Municipal Utilities	17	285	2.140	927	285
Total	--	--	3,094	12.733	6,214	3,410

Summary of Hydrologic Budget

The estimated average annual recharge to the Big Sioux: North aquifer ranges from 24,000 to 54,000 ac-ft/yr. The total estimated average annual withdrawal from the aquifer, including reservations for future use, is approximately 21,000 ac-ft/yr (Table 3). This application may appropriate up to 220 acre-feet per year, although it is likely to withdraw less on average. Therefore, based on the hydrologic budget, there is reasonable probability unappropriated water is available for this application.

Table 3: Summary of withdrawals

Estimation Type	Number of Permits	Est. Average Annual Withdrawal (ac-ft/yr)
Irrigation	61	3,557
Non Irrigation, Reporting	8	3,410
Not Reporting, Volume Limit	2	2,359
Not Reporting, 60% estimate	31	8,543
<i>Subtotal, authorized to withdraw</i>	<i>102</i>	<i>17,869</i>
Future Use	3	3,469
Grand Total	105	21,338

Observation Wells

Administrative Rule of South Dakota (ARSD) 74:02:05:07 requires that the Water Management Board rely upon the record of observation well measurements, in addition to other data, to determine the availability of water in an aquifer. The Water Rights Program maintains 29 observation wells completed into the Big Sioux: North aquifer. The nearest observation wells to this application are GT-82A and GT-57A (map Figure 1, page 2), which are located approximately a half mile east of this application and are representative of the fluctuations in the aquifer near this application. Water level elevations from those two wells are shown in Figure 4 (page 8). In general, water levels rise when precipitation is higher than normal and decline during periods when precipitation is lower than normal [3] [13]. There are also seasonal declines due to pumping and likely evapotranspiration during the irrigation season. Observation Well GT-57A shows a slight increasing trend over time [3], which correlates with precipitation trends in the area [13]. Observation Well GT-82A is within several hundred feet from the Big Sioux River, so is likely more reflective of trends in the river than the aquifer in general. The observation well readings show that the Big Sioux: North aquifer is influenced by precipitation trends much more than water withdrawals and water is naturally discharging from the aquifer. The Water Management Board considers natural discharge available for capture. Therefore, based on Observation Well analysis, there is reasonable probability unappropriated water is available for this application.

DANR Observation Wells Near App No. 8952-3

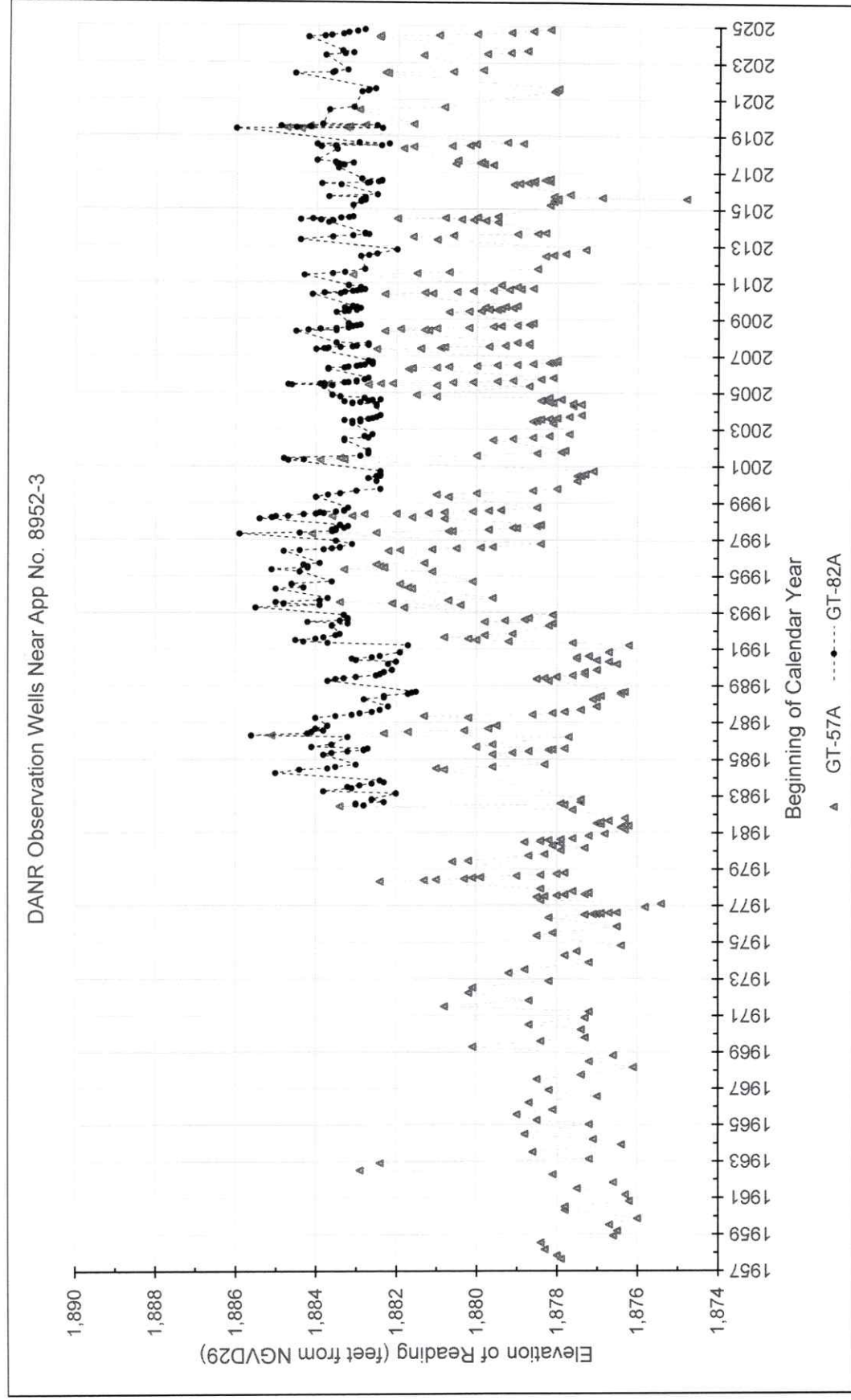


Figure 4: Observation Well data near this application [3]. Top of casing elevation for both wells is approximately 1,890 ft from NGVD29 [3].

Possibility of Unlawful Impairment

The nearest water right to this application is Water Right No. 8622-3, located approximately a half mile north of the proposed well site [5]. The nearest domestic well on file with the Water Rights Program is located approximately one mile east of the proposed well site, based on well locations provided by the drillers [14]. However, there may be nearby wells completed into the aquifer that are not on file with the Water Rights Program. The Water Rights Program has historically interpreted an unlawful impairment of existing water rights to occur if a junior water right/permit causes a nearby adequate well with a senior water right/permit to become unable to withdraw at the rate it is entitled to or, if a domestic well is impacted, a water right/permit causes an adequate domestic well to be unable to withdraw at the rate needed to supply reasonable domestic use of water. Administrative Rule of South Dakota (ARSD) 74:02:04:20(6) defines an adequate well as:

...a well constructed or rehabilitated to allow various withdrawal methods to be used, to allow the inlet to the pump to be placed not less than 20 feet into the saturated aquifer or formation material when the well is constructed, or to allow the pump to be placed as near to the bottom of the aquifer as is practical if the aquifer thickness is less than 20 feet

The Big Sioux: North aquifer has some areas that can be relatively thin with a limited amount of water in storage. The best available information indicates that long-term average annual withdrawals will not exceed average annual recharge to the aquifer. However, conditions may occur when withdrawals exceed recharge. When this occurs, water will be removed from storage and as a result, the saturated thickness of the aquifer will be reduced. If the saturated thickness is reduced such that existing water rights/permits or adequate domestic wells can no longer deliver needed water, this may be considered an adverse impact. There are no substantiated complaints on file with the Water Rights Program involving well interference in the Big Sioux: North aquifer in Grant and Roberts Counties [15]. Additionally, since the Big Sioux: North aquifer is generally under unconfined conditions, drawdown does not spread as far from a well as it would under confined conditions. Based on the lack of complaints in the aquifer nearby and unconfined conditions of the aquifer, there is reasonable probability this application can be developed without unlawful impairment of nearby water rights or domestic wells. However, out of an abundance of caution, a qualification should be included in the permit stating that the applicants shall control their withdrawals so that nearby domestic wells or senior water rights can access needed water.

Conclusions

1. Water Permit Application No. 8952-3 proposes to appropriate 1.78 cfs from one well to be completed into the Big Sioux: North aquifer located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 2 for the irrigation of 110 acres in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 2; all in T121N-R52W.
2. This application is requesting a diversion rate greater than the statutory limit for a reason previously accepted by the Water Management Board.
3. Based on the hydrologic budget and observation well analysis, there is reasonable probability unappropriated water is available for this application.

4. There is reasonable probability this application can be developed without unlawful impairment of existing water rights and domestic uses.



Kimberly C. Drennon, E. I.
Engineer III – DANR Water Rights Program.

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June 24, 2025

Chad or Becki Steinocker
45350 145th Street
Summit SD 57266

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Steinocker:

Water Permit Application No. 8952-3 for irrigation use has been examined and found to comply with the South Dakota Water Laws and applicable rules. A notice has been sent to the Grant County Review printed at Milbank SD (Ph # 605 432-4516) and the Public Opinion printed at Watertown SD (see attachment for contact number). You will need to contact the newspapers and authorize publication of this notice. For your information, a copy of the notice, the recommendation of the Acting Chief Engineer and report on the application are enclosed. Please review the notice prior to publication and notify this office, if you have any corrections or questions.

Be sure to contact the above newspapers to authorize publication of your Notice and to arrange for payment. Early contact with the papers can eliminate delays. Upon receiving authorization from you, the publishers have been instructed to publish your notice. The newspapers have also been instructed to send us the Proof of Publication. We must receive Proof of Publication before action can be taken on the application.

Sincerely,

Rachel Rodriguez

Rachel Rodriguez
Water Rights Program
(605) 773-3352

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NOTE: If you plan to contest any part of the Acting Chief Engineer's recommendation, you must file a petition pursuant to the procedures outlined in the attached notice of hearing. The Water Management Board will then consider your concerns during a hearing on the application.

Instruction to Newspaper - Publish the Notice on July 2, 2025. The applicant is responsible for payment.

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Please find your order confirmation and proof of ad attached.

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Thank you!

Brittany Grady
Public Notice Representative



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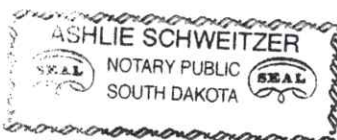
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Dear Mr. & Mrs. Steinocker:

Enclosed is Water Permit No. 8952-3 authorizing construction of the water diversion system and beneficial use of the water, not exceeding the limits as specified in the Water Permit.

An application/license filing fee of \$1,050.00 was submitted with the application. However, since the total acres were reduced to 110 acres, the fees are $\$750 + \$200 = \$950.00$. Therefore, \$100.00 will be refunded to you. The refund check should be received within the next couple of weeks.

Form 10, *Notice of Completion of Works and Application of Water to Beneficial Use*, is enclosed. Please return this completed form after you have finished the system and have put the water to beneficial use. An investigation can then be scheduled so the water license may be issued, thus completing the acquisition of a water right.

An informational sheet *Common Water Right Questions?* is also enclosed. This sheet is intended to answer some of the questions associated with obtaining and keeping a water right.

Sincerely,

Mark Mayer, PE
Director of Office of Water

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July 30, 2025

REFUND REQUEST FORM

PAYEE:

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45350 145th Street
Summit SD 57266

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

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, PRODUCE OR TRANSFER

Refund for overpayment of Irrigation Permit #8952-3

AMOUNT: \$100.00

FUNDING SOURCE: WR Fees

GENERAL:

FEDERAL:

OTHER:

COMMENTS:

AUTHORIZATION:

Mand Meyer 7/30/25

I declare and affirm under the penalties of perjury that this claim is in all things, true and correct. I further agree to comply with the provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and regulations issued thereunder relating to nondiscrimination in federal assisted programs.



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Application No.: 8952-3

Name of Applicant: Chad or Becki Steinocker

Date of Posting: 6/30/2025

Date of Removal: 7/29/2025

Ron Duvall, Engineer III

7/30/2025

Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public, this 29th day of July, 2025.

Notary Public - South Dakota
My commission expires:

(SEAL)

**Rachel Rodriguez
My Commission Expires
May 16, 2029**

