



WATER-RIGHT DOCKET

Fort Laramie National Historic Site

Docket No: 4

GOSHEN IRRIGATION DISTRICT

State Water Rights Documentation

03-21-1983: Letter to Albert Nietfeld from Nancy McCann regarding Approval of Petition for the Voluntary Abandonment of a portio

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Albert B. Nietfeld
Fort Laramie, Wyoming 82212

Re: Docket No. I-83-1-2

Dear Mr. Nietfeld,

This is in regard to your petition for voluntary abandonment of a portion of the Hattie A. Sandercock appropriation under Permit No. 1011 through the Sandercock Ditch, which is pending before the State Board of Control.

On March 18, 1983, we received written consent from the National Park Service agreeing with your petition.

It now appears that your petition can be considered at the Board's next regularly scheduled meeting which commences on May 10, 1983.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Yours truly,
AC
Allan Cunningham
Board Analyst

AC:lm

cc: Earl Michael, Superintendent
Nancy McCann
Gary K. Howe, Supt. ✓
Fort Laramie National Historic Site
Fort Laramie, Wyoming 82212

Fort Laramie National Historic Site
Fort Laramie, Wyoming 82212

March 17, 1983

Allen Cunningham
Board Analyst
Board of Control
Barrett Building
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

Fort Laramie National Historic Site does own a small strip of land in the subject section (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29, T26N R64W). The land we now own, to our knowledge, has never been irrigated and is totally unsuitable for it. In addition we would support Mr. Nietfeld's petition since we would not envision ever wanting to see that land changed from its present status of a natural area.

It is my opinion that the 20 acres was and is outside our boundary but either way we would certainly approve abandonment of the water right from Dear Creek for it.

I have attached copies of the two deeds for this property for your use.

If you need more information do not hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely,

Gary K. Howe
Superintendent

Enclosure

cc; Albert Nietfeld

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GOVERNOR

Gary K. Howe, Superintendent
Fort Laramie National Historic Site
Fort Laramie, Wyoming 82212

Re: Docket No. I-83-1-2

Dear Mr. Howe,

This letter is in regard to Albert Nietfeld's petition for voluntary abandonment of a portion of the Hattie A. Sandercock appropriation under Permit No. 1011 through the Sandercock Ditch, which is pending before the State Board of Control.

This petition requests that the 20 acres in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29, Township 26 North, Range 64 West, irrigated by the Sandercock Ditch diverting from Deer Creek under Permit No. 1011 be abandoned. Paragraph 3 of the petition further states that this 20 acres of the appropriation described above has not been applied to beneficial use for at least five (5) consecutive years, when water is available for this purpose, and is not now being used.

Our problem is that we cannot determine the location of these 20 acres within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29. There is a remote possibility that 7 acres of this 20 acre appropriation attaches to lands under the Fort Laramie National Historic Site. Therefore, the Board at its March meeting requested that we advise you of this petition and to see if you would consent to this petition. If you do consent to this petition, please provide us with proof of ownership of the 7 acres in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29. This proof of ownership can usually be in the form of a Certificate from the county clerk.

For your convenience, we are enclosing a copy of the above referenced petition and a copy of the proof of ownership provided by Mr. Nietfeld.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Yours Truly,

Allen Cunningham
Allen Cunningham
Board Analyst

AC/clc
Enc: (2)

cc: Earl Michael
Albert Nietfeld
Nancy McCann

I-83-1-2

PETITION FOR VOLUNTARY ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION)
 OF THE HATTIE A. SANDERCOCK APPROPRIATION,)
 PERMIT NO. 1011, DIVERTING FROM DEER CREEK,)
 TRIBUTARY OF THE LARAMIE RIVER THROUGH THE)
 SANDERCOCK DITCH.)

BEFORE THE
 STATE BOARD OF CONTROL
 CHEYENNE, WYOMING

O.R. 3, P. 418; C.R. 20, P. 187; PROOF NO. 6829

STATE OF WYOMING)
)SS.
 COUNTY OF GOSHEN)



Comes now, Albert B. Nietfeld, of Fort Laramie, County of Goshen, State of Wyoming, who being duly sworn on oath according to law, does hereby make the following statement of facts and petition:

1. That he is the owner of the lands to be abandoned, as evidenced by the Certificate of Ownership from the County Clerk of Goshen County, which accompanies the petition.

2. That the appropriation involved is the Hattie A. Sandercock Appropriation, Permit No. 1011, adjudicated under Proof No. 6829, diverting from Deer Creek, a tributary of the Laramie River, which is a tributary of the North Platte River through the Sandercock Ditch, with a priority of June 4, 1895; and of record in Order Record 3, page 418; Certificate of Record 20, page 187, describing the lands to be irrigated as follows:

Township 26 North, Range 64 West

Section 29:	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	15.0 Acres
	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	30.0
	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	20.0
TOTAL		65.0 Acres (0.92 c.f.s.)

3. That a portion of the appropriation described above has not been applied to beneficial use for at least five (5) consecutive years, when water was available for this purpose, and is not now being used.

The lands to which water has not been applied are described as:

Township 26 North, Range 64 West

Section 29:	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	20.0 Acres
TOTAL		20.0 Acres (0.28 c.f.s.)

Your petitioner declares his intention to voluntarily abandon the appropriation described above and requests that a proper order of the State Board of Control be entered declaring such voluntary abandonment.

4. That the remaining 45.0 acres (0.64 c.f.s) is unaffected by this petition.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert B. Nietfeld
 Albert B. Nietfeld

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 13th day of January, 1983.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Kurt V. Vetter
 Notary Public

My commission expires: May 27, 1983

LAST OWNER OF RECORD

STATE OF WYOMING)
) ss.
 COUNTY OF GOSHEN)



I, WENDELL E. GRAPES, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO REGISTER
 OF DEEDS IN AND FOR SAID COUNTY AND STATE AFORESAID, DO
 HEREBY CERTIFY THAT Albert B. Nietfeld and Marjorie G.
Nietfeld, husband and wife,

~~WE~~ ARE THE LAST ~~OWNER~~ OWNERS OF RECORD OF THE FOLLOWING
 DESCRIBED PROPERTY, SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF GOSHEN, STATE
 OF WYOMING: TO-WIT

The West 1,100 feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast
Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$), Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Twenty-six
(26) North, Range Sixty-four (64), West of the 6th P.M.,
Goshen County, Wyoming, consisting of 33 acres, more or less.

AS SHOWN BY Warranty Deed
 FROM Gurney D. Gregg and Edna Bernice Gregg, husband and wife,
 DATED January 8, 1964 RECORDED BOOK 283 PAGE 373

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND
 OFFICIAL SEAL THIS 13th DAY OF January A.D. 1983

Wendell E. Grapes
GOSHEN COUNTY CLERK

BY: Larry Douglas
 act. DEPUTY

TERM EXPIRES

MY TERM OF OFFICE EXPIRES
 THE FIRST MONDAY IN JANUARY, 1987

Other Supporting Information

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TAX NOTICE, 2nd INSTALLMENT

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Goshen Irrigation District

HEADQUARTERS

P.O. Box 717

Torrington, Wyoming — March 1, 1988

Phone (307) 532-7031

St. Laramie Nat'l Historic Site
Box 86
St. Laramie WY 82212

Subdivision of Section	Sec.	Twp. N.	Range W.
<i>W² SW⁴ SW⁴</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>64</i>
<i>W² SW⁴ SW⁴</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>64</i>

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Second Installment O. & M. \$ *299.25*
 Second Installment Construction \$ *13.65*
 Construction Handling Fee \$ *84.7* No 527
 Second Installment Rehabilitation No. 2 \$ *30.10*
 Second Installment Rehabilitation No. 1 \$ *11.55*
 TOTAL 2nd INSTALLMENT TAXES \$ *353.08*
 TOTAL 1st INSTALLMENT TAXES \$ *353.08*
 Interest and Costs \$
 TOTAL \$ *706.16*

Rates	Irrig. Area Acres
O. & M.	
Class 1 to 4 \$14.25	<i>42</i>
Rehabilitation No. 2	
Class 1 to 4 .96	<i>42</i>
Rehabilitation No. 1 .55	<i>42</i>
Construction	
Class 1 .65	
Class 2 .65	
Class 3 .65	<i>42</i>
Class 4 .75	
New .90	

Torrington, Wyo. *Nov 13 1987*

Received taxes described hereon from

St. Laramie Nat'l Historic Site
ct # 3145 08660407

Neal Payne
 Treasurer, Goshen Irrigation District

Deputy

Standard Form 1034-A September 1973 4 Treasury FRM 2000		PUBLIC VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL			VOUCHER NO.	
U. S. DEPARTMENT, BUREAU, OR ESTABLISHMENT AND LOCATION U. S. Department of the Interior National Park Service Fort Laramie National Historic Site Fort Laramie, Wyoming 82212			DATE VOUCHER PREPARED October 7, 1987		SCHEDULE NO.	
			CONTRACT NUMBER AND DATE		1420-8-0001	
			REQUISITION NUMBER AND DATE		PAID BY	
PAYEE'S NAME AND ADDRESS Goshen Irrigation District P.O. Box 717 Torrington, Wyoming 82240			DATE INVOICE RECEIVED			
			DISCOUNT TERMS			
			PAYEE'S ACCOUNT NUMBER			
SHIPPED FROM			TO		GOVERNMENT B/L NUMBER	
			WEIGHT			
NUMBER AND DATE OF ORDER	DATE OF DELIVERY OR SERVICE	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, item number of contract or Federal supply schedule, and other information deemed necessary)	QUAN- TITY	UNIT PRICE COST PER		AMOUNT
	1987	Assessment for water on W $\frac{1}{2}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 22, Township 26, Range 64	42	16.813	acre	\$ 706.16
(Use continuation sheet(s) if necessary) (Payee must NOT use the space below)						TOTAL
PAYMENT: ☒ COMPLETE ☐ PARTIAL ☐ FINAL ☐ PROGRESS ☐ ADVANCE						706.16
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Amount verified; correct for						
(Signature or initials)						
MEMORANDUM						
ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION						
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the regular Annual Meeting of the Landowners and persons entitled to the possession of public lands by virtue of public land filings in the Goshen Irrigation District will be held on the 3rd day of February 1987, at the hour of 11:00 A.M. at the Valli-Hi, near the Town of Torrington, Goshen County, Wyoming.

At said meeting there will be elected two Commissioners to serve for a term of three years for Commissioner's District No. 3, of which LeRoy Feagler is the incumbent Commissioner and District No. 4, of which Henry Erdman is the retiring Commissioner.

Due to economic conditions we ask you to please RSVP if you will be attending. This way GID will not be paying for meals not eaten.

Mail to GID, P.O. Box 717, Torrington, WY 82240

R.S.V.P. - Acceptances Only by January 26th, 1987

Yes, I will be attending the GID annual meeting & luncheon.

There will be _____ in my party.

Landowner _____

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24**Goshen Irrigation District***"Serving Southeastern Wyoming"*
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Make copies.
B.

Dear Landowner:

Enclosed you will find a Certificate-of-Payment Request Form. This form has been requested by the Bureau of Reclamation to be signed by each landowner within the Goshen Irrigation District, if that landowner wishes to have a Certificate stating that his/her land is paid off as far as the original construction costs. Although, you may not have paid your construction in full at this time, the district has paid the Bureau in full, so as far as they are concerned you have.

Please check for correct spelling of the owners names, address, and description of the land owned, then sign on the top line and date. Then return the form in the enclosed self addressed envelope.

If you have any questions please feel free to call the district office.

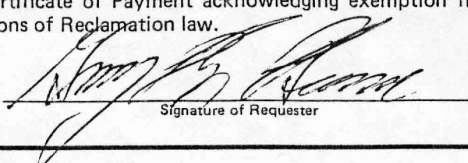
Sincerely,

Sharon Humberson
Sharon Humberson
Secretary

CERTIFICATE-OF-PAYMENT REQUEST

SECTION I

I request a Certificate of Payment acknowledging exemption from ownership and full-cost pricing limitations of Reclamation law.


Signature of Requester9/3/86
Date

SECTION II

Item 1. Name of irrigation district in which exempt land is located.

GOSHEN IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Item 2. Name in which exempt irrigation land is held.

Ft. Laramie Nat'l Historic Site

Item 3. Address to which certificate should be sent.

Box 86Ft.Laramie, Wyoming 82212

Item 4. Legal description of exempt land. Note: This item does not need to be completed if the entire district (see item 1) is exempt from the ownership and full-cost pricing limitations of Reclamation law.

W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 22 Twp.n.26 Range W.64W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 22 Twp.N.26 Range W.64

(attach additional pages if necessary)

Signature of District Official_____
Date

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NOTICE

To All Landowners and Electors under the Goshen Irrigation District

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a motion passed and approved by the Board of Commissioners of the Goshen Irrigation District at the special meeting on March 24, 1986, an election will be held at the Wyoming Room, Citizen's National Bank in Torrington Wyoming, on the 15th day of April, 1986, at the hour of 7:30 P.M. for the purpose of considering and voting upon the following question:

"Shall the Commissioners of the Goshen Irrigation District be authorized, empowered and directed to borrow up \$150,000.00 for a rehabilitation project in cooperation with the Wyoming Water Development Commission for the purpose of purchasing materials to lay underground pipe and purchase gates".

If you are buying land on a contract, to be eligible to vote in the GID elections, you must either have the contract recorded, or have a proxy from that person who is the owner according to records in the County Clerk's Office.

Signed,

Sharon Humberson
Sharon Humberson, Secretary

PROJECT SUMMARY

Recently the Goshen Irrigation District in cooperation with the Wyoming Water Development Commission completed a feasibility study and was approved funding for a rehabilitation project within the Goshen Irrigation District.

The project consists of: (taken from the engineer's report)

Fifteen open ditches totaling approximately ten miles in length, have been studied to evaluate the feasibility of replacing the open ditches with underground gravity flow pipelines. In addition, one reach of pipeline which was installed many years ago has developed leaks over the years and this study includes the cost of its replacement.

These ditches are ones which were not tiled in the 1950's when the District went into a betterment program and will very nearly put all laterals within the District under pipeline deliveries.

Elevations were taken on each line and the structures needed to make the pipeline functional were determined. With this available data the lines are sized to carry the design capacity.

GID's records show that ditch losses vary from 0.4 C.F.S to 6.0 C.F.S. per ditch. These records also show these ditches are in use 140 days per year. Using the above data the total yearly loss is 3752 acre-foot.

The Irrigation District's records show the average cost of O & M for their lateral system is \$950.00 per mile with 83% being charged to maintenance. For purposes of this study this maintenance cost was reduced 10%, determining the average cost of maintenance to be \$700.00 per mile or \$6,974. O & M gained each year.

Also, the GID is incurring a very high maintenance or replacement costs relative to the gates within the system. As in most irrigation systems some year to year maintenance of gates is expected and the District, for the most part, has been able to cope with these problems and has kept the main canal and main lateral gates in good repair. The history of a problem which has become evident in just the last several years is that some 30 years ago a betterment program was initiated which put most of the system in underground pipe water deliveries. The gates that were installed in the many diversion boxes were installed on a short piece of corrugated metal pipe which protruded through the diversion boxes and was jointed to a pipe outside the box. This short piece of corrugated metal has since deteriorated and many of these installations need to be replaced. The District over the last several years has replaced 55 of these particular gates. The new installation is done by cutting the existing corrugated pipe flush with the inside wall of the box and installing a wall mount gate on the inside wall. Our observation of this installation is that it solves their problem, as there is apparently no deterioration of the metal pipe outside of the boxes.

Not all of these particular diversion box gates were inventoried as to their deterioration, however spot checks were made throughout the District and those checks do show significant deterioration; from this, it is determined that the vast majority will have to be replaced in the near future.

Funding: The Wyoming Water Development Commission has received approval for a total project cost of \$561,037.00. Of this amount 75% will be grant and 25% loan. GID's cost will be \$140,260., which will be loaned at 4% interest and 50 years

to repay. The annual installments will be \$6,537.00 or 12¢ per acre. The O & M expense saved will be \$6,974., which is an overall annual savings of \$436.88. This overall savings to the district makes it possible to make these improvements with no increase in your O & M assessment if approved by your votes.

This funding will go for the purchase of:

- 13,860 foot of 18" PVC Pipe
- 18,250 foot of 15" PVC Pipe
- 16,254 foot of 12" PVC Pipe
- 163 cubic yard of concrete
- 450 12" gates
- 150 15" gates

Labor will be provided by GID employees over a six year period.

If you have any further questions regarding this project please feel free to call the office or your commissioner.

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P.O. Box 717			
Torrington, Wyoming 82240			

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the Landowners and persons entitled to the possession of public lands by virtue of public land filings in the Goshen Irrigation District will be held on the 4th day of February, 1986, at the hour of 11:00 A.M. at the Valli-Hi, near the Town of Torrington, Goshen County, Wyoming.

At said meeting there will be elected two Commissioners to serve for a term of three years for Commissioner's District No. 1 of which Howard Haas is the incumbent Commissioner and District No. 2 of which Bill Franks is the incumbent Commissioner.

Signed,

Sharon Humberson
Sharon Humberson
Secretary

Nominees for District No. 1 are: Howard Haas
Melvin Dean Daiss

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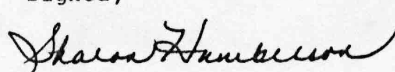
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Landowners and persons entitled to the possession of Public Lands by virtue of Public Land Filings in the Goshen Irrigation District will be held on the 5th day of February, 1985, at the hour of 11:00 A.M. at the Valli-Hi, near the Town of Torrington, Goshen County, Wyoming.

At said meeting there will be elected one Commissioner to serve for a term of three years for Commissioner's District No 5, of which Neal Payne is the incumbent Commissioner.

Signed,



Sharon Humberson
Secretary

Beth
Find out what
this is all about
and let me know.

Gary

Read this and called B.I.D.

Sign

The assessment for "full water costs"
applies to land in excess of 160 acres.

We are paying \$27.32 annually on
42 acres. We can continue to pay this
amount for the next approx 12 years
or pay the \$324.88 now. There is no
discount for prepayment. I see no
benefit in paying the balance now, as
the cost would be the same whether
we paid a lump now or small payments
over the years.

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St. Lawrence Nat'l Historic Site
St. Lawrence Univ. 8212
Total number of acres 42
Construction Balance: 324.88

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P.O. Box 717
Torrington, Wyoming 82240

APR 12 1984

April 10, 1984

Dear Landowner;

The 1982 Reclamation Act became effective January 5, 1984 and will be enforced as of March 5, 1984 (See enclosed news release). Under this act the 160 acre Acreage Limitation will be enforced, any person or corporation owning and/or leasing acreage in excess of 160 acres combined within the seventeen western states will be subject to paying "full water costs" for those acres over 160 acres. Full water costs for our district have not been established yet.

This is one of many reasons, we, the Board of Commissioners of Goshen Irrigation District, have found it necessary to ask for voluntary prepayment of your construction loan balance. Under our current contract, an individual or the district can pay off at any time and then would be exempt from the 1982 Reclamation Act.

We sincerely hope that you can see your way to voluntarily pay this balance (See enclosed notice of balance). Payment can be made by mail or in person at the GID office.

Sincerely,

Neal Payne

Neal S. Payne, President

PS. If you have any questions about this matter, please feel free to call the office or any one of the Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT of the INTERIOR

news release

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
LOWER MISSOURI REGION
DENVER, COLORADO

March 19, 1984
(303) 234-4257

FOR RELEASE MARCH 19, 1984

POLICY PERMITTING WATER DELIVERIES TO INELIGIBLE EXCESS LANDS TO BE DISCONTINUED IN 1984

The 1978 Vice Presidential Order permitting water deliveries to ineligible excess lands is being discontinued, Acting Commissioner of Reclamation Robert A. Olson said today.

On January 3, 1978, a policy was established providing that existing irrigation water deliveries to excess lands would not be interrupted during the 1978 growing season for failure to comply with the acreage limitation or residency requirements of Reclamation law. This policy was continued through the 1983 growing season.

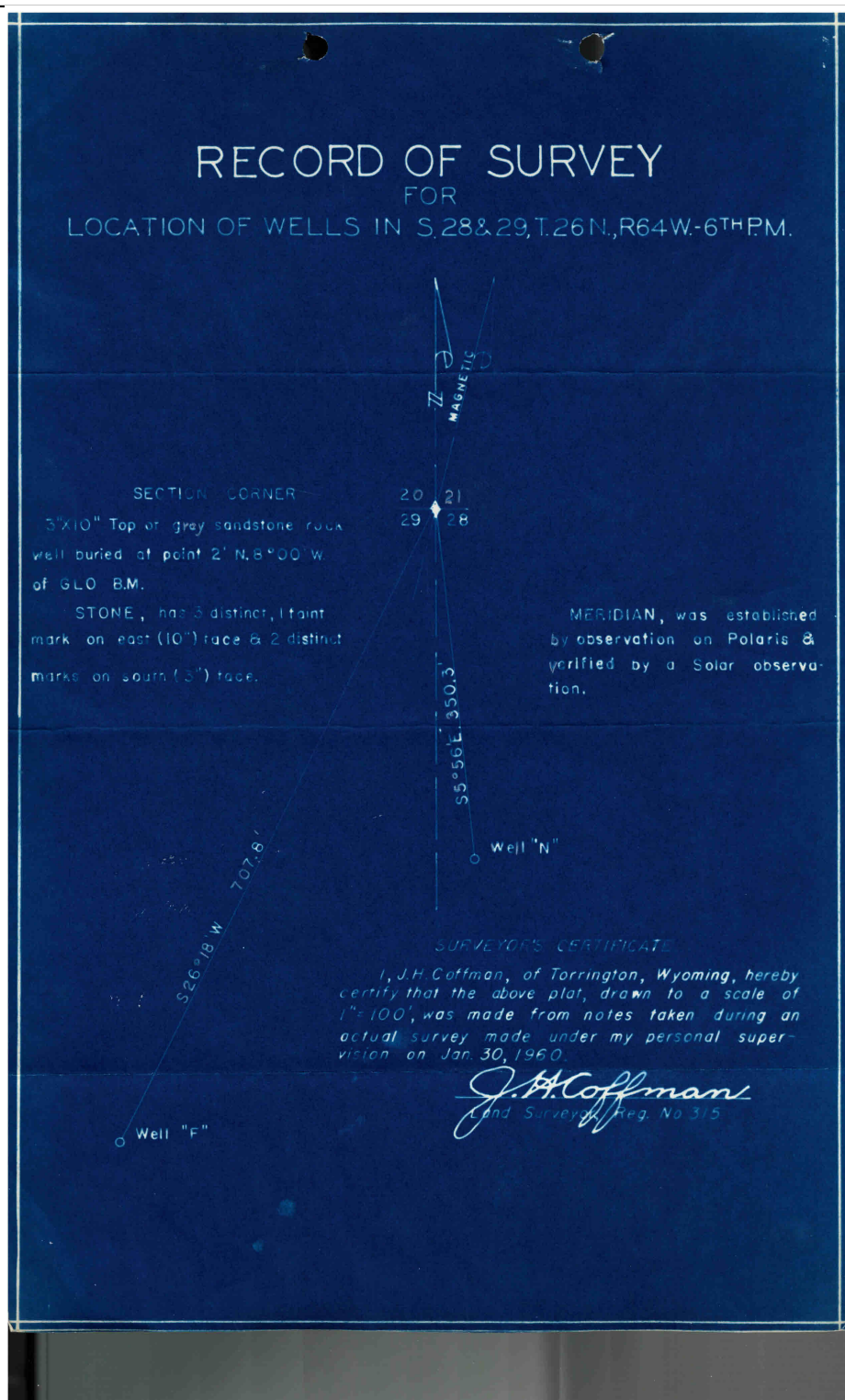
The final rules implementing the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982 became effective January 5, 1984, and excess lands will be administered under the procedures set forth in the rules, particularly section 426.11. Supplement III to the interim guidelines dated March 1, 1983, however, provided that individual excess landowners who had received water as a result of the 1978 policy would be granted a 90-day grace period from the date of publication of the final rules in which to achieve compliance with the law. This grace period ended March 5, 1984, Olson said.

The purpose of the original policy was to allow for the continuation of water deliveries to excess lands while an environmental impact statement was being prepared on proposed rules and regulations for acreage limitation. Lands acquired into excess status after the policy was established were not eligible to receive water.

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Rules and regulations governing the delivery of water supplies developed by the Bureau of Reclamation and covering more than 10 million acres of farmland in the 17 Western States were published in the December 6, 1983 Federal Register.

The rules and regulations reflect the changes made in past Reclamation law and policy by the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982, the first major change in Reclamation law in over 50 years. The new act revised the criteria for determining eligibility for Federal water supplies, water pricing, and a number of related issues.



Docket Information

Number of Documents in Docket 22

Documents Dated from 1/30/1960 to 3/1/1988

Docket Compiled: 8/2/2017