

STATE OF NEBRASKA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

APPROVAL OF EXPEDITED TRANSFER EXT-4770 FOR WATER APPROPRIATION A-18492

WATER DIVISION 1-D

BACKGROUND

1. Records on file in the Department of Natural Resources (Department) show that surface water appropriation A-18492 is held by Earl Spitsnogle.
2. Appropriation A-18492 has a priority date of March 27, 2007, and authorizes the use of water for irrigation of the 113.5 acres of land described below. The water may be diverted from Big Indian Creek at a point of diversion located on the right bank of the stream in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 19, Township 1 North, Range 6 East of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. in Gage County. Water diverted shall not exceed the ratio of one cubic foot per second (cfs) for every 70 acres irrigated at a maximum rate of 1.62 cfs.

Township 1 North, Range 6 East of the 6 <sup>th</sup> P.M. in Gage County		Acres
Section 19:	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	15.7
	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	25.0
	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	27.6
	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	37.4
	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	5.5
	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	<u>2.3</u>
	TOTAL	113.5

3. On July 18, 2013, Earl Spitsnogle filed application EXT-4770 for a permit for an expedited transfer of the location of use for land authorized to be irrigated by appropriation A-18492.
4. On September 12, 2013, Earl Spitsnogle filed map number 18590 showing the land proposed to be irrigated under appropriation A-18492 through transfer EXT-4770.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Application EXT-4770 for a permit for an expedited transfer of the location of use and map number 18590 are APPROVED.

2. Appropriation A-18492 through transfer EXT-4770 authorizes the use of water to irrigate 113.5 acres of land described below and depicted on map number 18590, which is made a part of this Order. The water may be diverted from Big Indian Creek at a point of diversion located on the right bank of the stream in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 19, Township 1 North, Range 6 East of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. in Gage County. Water diverted shall not exceed the ratio of one cubic foot per second (cfs) for every 70 acres irrigated at a maximum rate of 1.62 cfs. (727 gallons per minute).

Township 1 North, Range 6 East of the 6 <sup>th</sup> P.M. in Gage County	Acres
Section 19: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	18.3
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	21.6
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	27.6
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	39.0
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	1.0
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	<u>6.0</u>
TOTAL	113.5

3. All terms and conditions of appropriation A-18492 remain in effect unless specifically changed by this Order.
4. This appropriation is subject to the provisions of the Blue River Compact and could be closed if Compact flows are not being met.
5. The appropriator must comply with all relevant statutes. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - A. Notify the Department of any change in ownership or address.
  - B. Notify the Department of the name and address of the person responsible for the use of the water appropriation (this may include farm managers, tenants, or relatives that actually apply the water to the approved use).
  - C. Obtain approval from the Department prior to taking any action that changes the location of the point of diversion, the location of the place of use, the type of use, or the type of appropriation.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

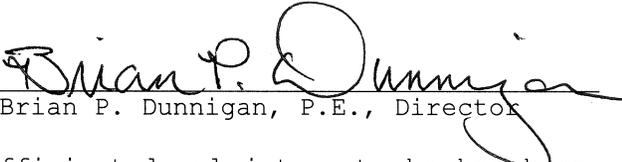
Failure to comply with all laws and regulations pertaining to surface water appropriations, any orders issued by the Director of the Department of Natural Resources, or the provisions of this Approval may cause cancellation of part or all of this appropriation, temporary closing of the appropriation, administrative penalty, criminal prosecution, or any combination thereof.

Nebraska law provides that failure to use an appropriation for more than five consecutive years may result in cancellation of the appropriation.

This appropriation is not a guarantee that water will be available. Nebraska law gives priority to senior appropriations. This appropriation may be closed if there is insufficient water to satisfy senior appropriations.

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November 25, 2013

  
Brian P. Dunnigan, P.E., Director

The applicant and any person with sufficient legal interest who has been or may be substantially affected by this Order may request a contested case hearing in accordance with the *Neb. Admin. Procedures Act* §§ 84-901 et. seq. RRS and the Department's *Rules of Practice and Procedure Title 454 Admin. Code Chapter 7*. The request must be received by the Department at its Lincoln office (Nebraska State Office Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4676) within 30 days of the date of the order and be accompanied by a filing fee of \$10.

A copy of this Order was posted on the Department's website. Copies of this Order and map number 18590 were provided to the Department's field office in Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of this Order and map number 18590 were mailed on November 25, 2013, to the following:

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