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ADMINISTRATOR'S MEMORANDUM

Transfer Processing No. 9

TO: Regional Offices and Water Allocation Section
FROM: Norman C. Young *NOY*
DATE: August 7, 1984
RE: Transfer of a Decreed Water Right

Many decreed water rights in the state have poorly defined places of use. When an Application for Transfer proposes to change the place of use of such a decreed water right, the number of acres originally irrigated can be difficult to compute.

If the decree identifies a tract as a place of use rather than defining the number of acres within the tract, then the applicant must provide an aerial photograph from which the number of acres irrigated in each tract can be determined. The number of acres actually irrigated per tract should be shown in Part 1 of the transfer form, rather than merely indicating the tract. If the applicant contends that more acres were originally irrigated than are found to be irrigated on the photo, the difference should be documented by the applicant. If the acreage irrigated cannot be determined from the aerial photo, a field examination to make the determination is required.