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Mr. John O'Callaghan, Manager South Columbia Basin Irrigation District P.O. Box 1006 Pasco, WA 99301



Subject: 2024 Global Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) Program Criteria Requirements

Dear Mr. O'Callaghan:

The Bureau of Reclamation is providing this letter to the Columbia Basin Project (CBP) irrigation districts to furnish to the farmers for the GAP Program, Integrated Farm Assurance All Farm Base-Crops Base-Fruit and Vegetables Control Points and Compliance Criteria; Version 5.0, Edition 5.0-1 February 2016; page 47 of 143; Section CB.5.4 requirements.

The narrative that follows should substantiate the individual farmer's right to use the irrigation water for their crops that is supplied by Reclamation and the CBP Districts.

The United States, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, holds the water rights for the CBP. Landowners are authorized to apply Columbia Basin Project water pursuant to water-related contracts with Reclamation, contingent upon the filing of required Reclamation Reform Act of 1982 documentation and payment of the current years' assessment.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Gina Hoff, Water Quality Specialist, at ghoff@usbr.gov, or (509) 573-8044.

Sincerely,

REBECCA DOOLITTLE Date: 2024.03.07

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