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as alternate points of diversion.

Valley immediately requires a portion of the water right use to be changed from irrigation to fire protection. The water required for this use would be stored in an existing pond on the ranch property. Lambert Ranch Fire Protection Pond No. 1 is located in the NW1/4 of the SE1/4, Section 6, Township 7 South, Range 68 West of the 6th P.M. at a point approximately 1500 feet from the South section line, and 2100 feet from the East section line. The dimensions of the pond are approximately 250 feet by 200 feet by 5 feet, with a total capacity of about 6.0 acre-feet. Valley claims that the requested change will not injuriously affect other owners or persons entitled to use water under vested or decreed conditional water rights.

## *2. Opposition*

No letters of opposition have been filed.

*Kirk Waible*

**APPLICATION FROM SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT, FOR WATER RIGHTS IN ARAPAHOE COUNTY.** Case No. 2000CW230 (Water Division 1, Dec. 2000). Applicant: South Suburban Park and Recreation District (Attys. Robert G. Cole & Evan D. Ela, Collins, Cockrel & Cole, P.C.).

## *1. Application*

South Suburban Park and Recreation District ("South Suburban") seeks a decree for water rights from Big Dry Creek, a tributary of the South Platte River. South Suburban owns approximately 190 acres of golf course and landscaping known as the South Suburban Golf Course. South Suburban wishes to divert water from two locations and store water in four ponds located on the golf course property. The two diversion points are (1) the Upper Big Dry Creek Diversion located on the left bank of Big Dry Creek in Section 31, Township 5 South, Range 67 West of the 6th P.M., at a point approximately 2050 feet from the east section line of said Section 31 and 250 feet from the south section line of said Section 31, in Arapahoe County, and (2) the Lower Big Dry Creek Diversion located on the left bank of Big Dry Creek in Section 31, Township 5 South, Range 67 West of the 6th P.M., at a point approximately 1050 feet from the west section line of said Section 31 and 1250 feet from the south section line of said Section 31, in Arapahoe County. The four storage rights pertain to existing ponds on the golf course property. The four ponds are off-channel storage structures used to irrigate the property and provide golfing hazards and aesthetic value to the course. The four ponds are the Upper South Pond, Lower South Pond, North Pond, and Entrance Pond.

South Suburban requests an amount of 10.0 c.f.s. of conditional water from the Upper Dry Creek Diversion and from the Lower Dry Creek Diversion. South Suburban requests the right to divert water at

a maximum rate of 10.0 c.f.s. from the Upper and Lower Dry Creek Diversions to supply water to the storage ponds. The amount of water requested to hold in each pond is 5.0 acre-feet for the Upper South Pond, 21.0 acre-feet for the Lower South Pond, 15.0 acre-feet for the North Pond and 5.0 acre-feet for the Entrance Pond. The diversion points and storage ponds are part of South Suburban's integrated surface water irrigation system. Currently, South Suburban has a Denver Basin ground water irrigation system that stores water in the four storage ponds. South Suburban will use the requested surface water rights in conjunction with the ground water rights.

South Suburban desires to use the water on the land for irrigation, recreation, augmentation, exchange, wildlife, and aesthetic purposes. South Suburban also requests the right to use and reuse the water right to extinction. South Suburban claims a date of appropriation of September 6, 2000, for the Lower Big Dry Creek, a date of September 18, 2000, for the Upper Big Dry Creek, and a date of December 13, 2000, for the storage claims. South Suburban initiated the appropriations by field observation, location of the claimed diversion points, and stream flow monitoring.

South Suburban requests the court grant a decree for the requested water rights at the rates and locations stated. South Suburban also requests the court grant such additional relief that it deems necessary and appropriate to further the purposes of the diversion systems requested.

## *2. Opposition*

No letters of opposition have been filed.

*Karen McTavish*

## **WATER COURT DIVISION 4**

**APPLICATION FOR SURFACE WATER RIGHTS OF RICK CURTIS, CONNIE CURTIS AND WILLIAM JOHNSON, IN DELTA COUNTY, COLORADO. Case No. 00CW178 (Water Division 4, Nov. 2000). Applicants: Rick and Connie Curtis and William Johnson.**

### *1. Application*

Rick Curtis, Connie Curtis, and William Johnson (collectively, "Curtis") seek a 0.013 c.f.s. conditional water right for irrigation and domestic purposes on forty acres of land in Delta County, Colorado. The water will be drawn from Dusty Spring #1, a tributary to Cottonwood Creek and the North Fork of the Gunnison River. Curtis proposes a water collection area 200 feet in diameter, the center of which will be located at a point in the E1/2 SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 21, Township 15 South, Range 91 West 6th P.M., from which the southwest corner of Section 21 bears South 33°34'57" West, 1469.29