STATE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS

September 20, 2022 Consent Agenda

Subject

DI600305, Disclaimer of Interest for the former bed of the Boise River, Elmore County, Idaho.

Question Presented

Shall the Land Board approve Disclaimer of Interest DI600305?

Background

Idaho holds title to the beds and banks of navigable waterways below the ordinary high water mark (OHWM). The State Board of Land Commissioners (Land Board) is the statutorily designated trustee of these lands. When a river moves due to accretion (the natural, gradual process whereby deposited material causes the river to move), title to the riverbed moves as well. These accreted lands are subject to adverse possession by the adjacent upland landowner through a quiet title action. Land Board policy directs the Idaho Department of Lands (Department) to work with these landowners and pursue disclaimers of interest for clearing title to the accreted land.

Discussion

Spencer and Sara Hill have applied for a disclaimer of interest for one parcel of accretion land totaling 0.93 acres, more or less. This parcel is located within the original surveyed river meander lines of the South Fork Boise River adjacent to the applicants' deeded property in E2 of Government Lot 8 of Section 10, Township 3 North, Range 10 East (Attachment 1-Map).

After the applicant paid the \$300 application fee, the Department identified the OHWM on site and the applicants' licensed surveyor completed a survey. The Department reviewed the survey, deeds, and tax documents, and determined that the disclaimer was ready to move forward.

Spencer and Sara Hill will grant the State of Idaho an easement 25 feet in width for a public use right of way along, and adjacent to, the existing OHWM of the South Fork Boise River.

Recommendation

Direct the Department to issue a Disclaimer of Interest for one parcel totaling 0.93 acres of the former bed of the South Fork Boise River to Spencer and Sara Hill following their payment to the Department of the remaining processing fee of \$300.

Board Action

Attachments

1. Map

