

**OTHER CASE TRANSMITTAL SHEET – ADJUDICATION, ARBITRATION, or
MEDIATION pursuant to I.C. § 67-5280(2)(b)**

State of Idaho - Office of Administrative Hearings

TO: **OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS** (email: Bryan.Nickels@oah.idaho.gov)

DATE: June 4, 2025

FROM: Idaho Department of Lands (Referring Agency/Board)

AGENCY CASE/PROCEEDING NO.: CC-2025-OGR-01-002

***Please attach a copy of:**

- **Petition/order/notice giving rise to the proceeding**
- **Order assigning this matter to the OAH (if applicable)**

AGENCY REQUEST:



Adjudication

If adjudication, order requested: ☐ Preliminary ☒ Recommended



Arbitration



Mediation



Other (Please explain below)

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SHORT STATEMENT OF THE NATURE OF THIS CASE (e.g., "Suspension of license based on following grounds: ..."):

Applicant has applied for an order establishing a spacing unit for oil and gas production consisting of portions of Section 15 and 22, Township 8 North, Range 5 West in Payette County Idaho on the grounds that the proposed spacing unit will assist in preventing waste of oil and gas resources, avoid drilling of unnecessary wells, and protect correlative rights.

ARE THERE SPECIFIC STATUTORY/REGULATORY RULES ON THE TIME FOR HEARING OR DECISION?

YES: ☒ NO: ☐

[OAH typically sets hearings based on parties' availability and agreement, with written decision no later than the end of the month following the month the hearing was held]

If yes:

Deadline for hearing: NA. Must be after July 7, 2025. Request July 10, 2025

Deadline for decision: 30 Days after the hearing

Statute(s)/Rule(s) citation: Idaho Code 47-317, 328

DO ANY HEARING PROCEDURAL RULES, OTHER THAN THE IDAHO RULES OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, APPLY TO THIS PROCEEDING?

YES: ☒ NO: ☐

If yes, statute(s)/rule(s) citation: Idaho Code 47-309 et seq

- OAH will confirm that the agency has a current MOU in place for the requested service(s); if not, OAH will contact the agency to set up the needed MOU.
- Unlike contested case proceedings arising from the appeal of an agency order, OAH's provision of mediation, arbitration, and adjudication services are subject to acceptance by OAH. If OAH is unable to accept a request for mediation, arbitration, or arbitration services in a matter, OAH will still endeavor to assist the agency in identifying an alternative service provider.