

Response to July 2009 Review Meeting Questions Regarding the Ford Conservation
Easement Project

Q1. It would be helpful to see the terms of the agreement...

Please find the conservation easement agreement on the Snake River Board website
“documents” section

Q2. Please provide the use restrictions...

Please see the conservation agreement. A brief summary: no human disturbance in first 50 feet, no buildings, structures, or roads of any kind, no livestock, no timber harvest, no farming other than the 18.5 acre farmable associated upland.

Q3. What will the landowner be allowed to do if river approaches outside perimeter?...Will in-channel restoration be allowed?

The easement agreement allows the landowner to implement stewardship activities, including in-stream habitat restoration.

Q4. Re river moving into the 18.5 acres of farmland...

We work with the landowner to meet their needs while maintaining the integrity of the easement. Proposed in-stream work must be agreeable to both the landowner and IEAC and if it violates the intent of the easement, it would not be allowed.

Q5. Operating under an approved farm plan...

The landowner has notified us that he is operating under an approved farm plan.