## STATE OF OREGON

# **COUNTY OF HARNEY**

### CERTIFICATE OF WATER RIGHT

THIS CERTIFICATE ISSUED TO GOLDEN RULE FARMS INC. PO BOX 255 CHRISTMAS VALLEY, OR 97641

confirms the right to use the waters perfected under Permit G-18413. The amount of water to which this right is entitled is limited to an amount used beneficially, or its equivalent in case of rotation, measured at the point of diversion from the source. The specific limits and conditions of the use are listed below.

SOURCE OF WATER: FOUR WELLS in MALHEUR LAKE BASIN

PURPOSE or USE: IRRIGATION of 345.1 ACRES

MAXIMUM RATE: 4.31 CUBIC FEET PER SECOND; FURTHER LIMITED AS FOLLOWS:

NO MORE THAN 1.47 CFS IN ANY COMBINATION FROM WELLS 1 AND 2 FOR IRRIGATION OF

117.6 ACRES; AND

NO MORE THAN 2.84 CFS IN ANY COMBINATION FROM WELLS 3 AND 16 FOR IRRIGATION OF

**227.5 ACRES** 

PERIOD OF USE: MARCH 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 31

DATE OF PRIORIY: APRIL 5, 2000

#### The wells are located as follows:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
25 S	31 E	WM	31	NW SE	WELL 1 - 1310 FEET NORTH AND 1505 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 31
25 S	31 E	WM	31	SW SE	WELL 2 - 130 FEET NORTH AND 210 FEET EAST FROM THE S1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 31
26 S	30 E	WM	1	SW NE	WELL 3 - 2160 FEET SOUTH AND 2340 FEET WEST FROM THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 1
26 S	30 E	WM	1	SW NW	WELL 16 - 250 FEET NORTH AND 730 FEET EAST FROM THE W1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 1

The amount of water used for irrigation, together with the amount secured under any other right existing for the same lands, is limited to a diversion of ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second (or its equivalent) and 3 acre-feet for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year.

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A description of the place of use is located as follows:

IRRIGATION – WELL 1 AND WELL 2 – 117.6 ACRES							
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres		
25 S	31 E	WM	31	NE SE	30.8		
25 S	31 E	WM	31	NW SE	28.3		
25 S	31 E	WM	31	SW SE	31.1		
25 S	31 E	WM	31	SE SE	27.4		
				TOTAL	117.6		

IRRIGATION – WELL 3 AND WELL 16 – 227.5 ACRES								
26 S	_30 E	WM	1	NE NE	1	32.5		
26 S	30 E	WM	1	NW NE	2	32.5		
26 5	30 E	WM	1	SW NE		32.5		
26 S	30 E	WM	1	SE NE		32.5		
26 S	30 E	WM	1	NE NW	3	32.5		
26 S	30 E	WM	1.	NW NW	4	32.5		
26 S	30 E	WM	1	SW NW		32.5		
	. TOTAL							

The quantity of water diverted at the new point of appropriation (Well 16), shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original point of appropriation (Original Well 16) located as follows:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances	
26 S	30 E	WM	1	SW NW	ORIGINAL WELL 16 - 25 FEET NORTH AND 1300 FEET EAST FROM THE W1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 1	

The combined quantity of water diverted at the new points of appropriation (Wells 1, 1A, 2, 3, and 18), together with that diverted at the old points of appropriation (Wells 15, Original Well 16, and Well 17) shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original points of appropriation (Wells 15, Original Well 16, and Well 17) located as follows:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances	
25 S	30 E	WM	36	SE SE	WELL 15 - 30 FEET NORTH AND 20 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 36	
26 S	30 E	WM	1	SW NW	ORIGINAL WELL 16 - 25 FEET NORTH AND 1300 FEET EAST FROM THE W1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 1	
26 S	30 E	WM	1	SW NW	WELL 17 16 FEET NORTH AND 100 FEET FAST	

### Water use measurement conditions:

a. The water user shall maintain, in good working order, a totalizing flow meter, or another suitable measuring device approved by the Director, at each point of appropriation (new and existing), shall keep a complete record of the amount of water used each month and shall submit a report which includes the recorded water use measurements to the Department annually or more frequently as may be required by the Director. Further, the Director may require the water user to report general water use information, including the place and nature of use of water under the right.

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b. The water user shall allow the Watermaster access to the meters or measuring devices; provided however, where the meters or measuring devices are located within a private structure, the Watermaster shall request access upon reasonable notice.

Water shall be acquired from the same aquifer as the original points of appropriation.

If substantial interference with a senior water right occurs due to withdrawal of water from any well listed on this right, then use of water from the well(s) shall be discontinued or reduced and/or the schedule of withdrawal shall be regulated until or unless the Department approves or implements an alternative administrative action to mitigate the interference. The Department encourages junior and senior appropriators to jointly develop plans to mitigate interferences.

The wells shall be maintained in accordance with the General Standards for the Construction and Maintenance of Water Wells in Oregon. The works shall be equipped with a usable access port, and may also include an air line and pressure gauge adequate to determine the water level elevation in the well at all times.

The Director may require water level or pump test results every ten years.

Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this right may result in action including, but not limited to, restrictions on the use, civil penalties, or cancellation of the right.

This right is for the beneficial use of water without waste. The water user is advised that new regulations may require the use of best practical technologies or conservation practices to achieve this end.

By law, the land use associated with this water use must be in compliance with statewide land-use goals and any local acknowledged land-use plan.

The use of water shall be limited when it interferes with any prior surface or ground water rights.

The issuance of this superseding certificate does not confirm the status of the water right in regard to the provisions of ORS 540.610 pertaining to forfeiture or abandonment.

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The right to the use of the water for the above purpose is restricted to beneficial use on the lands or place of use described.

W仄NESS the signature of the Water Resources Director, affixed	JA
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