

**BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OF THE
STATE OF OREGON**

In the Matter of Cancellation of a Portion of)
 Perfected and Developed Water Rights:)
 Water Right Certificate 1377, in the name of Geo. H.)
 Whitaker;) **FINAL ORDER**
 Water Right Certificate 74151, in the name of)
 Successors to Squaw Creek Irrigation Company; and)
 Water Right Certificate 87100, in the name of)
 Squaw Creek Irrigation Company;)
 Deschutes County)

Authority

ORS 540.621 directs the Commission to enter an order canceling a water right whenever the owner of a perfected and developed water right certifies under oath to the Water Resources Commission that the water right has been abandoned and the owner desires to cancel the right.

OAR Chapter 690, Division 17 implements the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for canceling perfected and developed water rights.

Findings of Fact

1. On January 24, 2013, the Department received three affidavits from Ron and Trisa Lindsay, 8484 SW 82nd Street, Redmond, Oregon, 97756, stating they are the owners of land and the water rights appurtenant as evidenced by Water Right Certificates 1377, 74151 and 87100. The affidavits request a portion of each certificate be cancelled.
2. Pursuant to OAR 690-017-0100(2)(a), the Department has determined Ron and Trisa Lindsay are the recorded owners, as established by county deed records, of a portion of the water rights evidenced by Certificates 1377, 74151 and 87100.
3. Certificate 1377 allows for the use of not more than 0.55 cubic foot per second (cfs) of water from Whychus Creek (formerly Squaw Creek), tributary to Deschutes River, for irrigation of 44.0 acres. The date of priority is September 13, 1913.
4. The portion of Certificate 1377 which has been abandoned is for the use of 0.25 cfs of water for irrigation of 20.0 acres located as follows:

TWP	RNG	MER	SEC	Q-Q	TAX LOT	ACRES
15 S	11 E	W.M.	33	NE SE	200	10.0
15 S	11 E	W.M.	33	NW SE	200	10.0
TOTAL:						20.0

This is an order in other than a contested case. This order is subject to judicial review under ORS 183.484. Any petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60 day time period specified by ORS 183.484(2). Pursuant to ORS 536.075 and OAR 137-004-0080, you may either petition for judicial review or petition the Director for reconsideration of this order. A petition for reconsideration may be granted or denied by the Director, and if no action is taken within 60 days following the date the petition was filed, the petition shall be deemed denied.

5. Certificate 74151 allows for the use of not more than 2.88 cubic feet per second (cfs) of water from Whychus Creek (formerly Squaw Creek), tributary to Deschutes River, for irrigation of 144.0 acres and domestic use. The date of priority is November, 1904.
6. The portion of Certificate 74151 which has been abandoned is for the use of 0.25 cfs of water for irrigation of 12.5 acres and domestic use located as follows:

TWP	RNG	MER	SEC	Q-Q	TAX LOT	ACRES
15 S	11 E	W.M.	33	NE NE	200	10.0
15 S	11 E	W.M.	33	NW SE	200	2.5
TOTAL:						12.5

7. Certificate 87100 allows for the use of not more than 12.98 cubic feet per second (cfs) of water from Whychus Creek (formerly Squaw Creek), tributary to Deschutes River, for irrigation of 648.8 acres and domestic use. The date of priority is November, 1904.
8. The portion of Certificate 87100 which has been abandoned is for the use of 0.55 cfs of water for irrigation of 27.5 acres and domestic use located as follows:

TWP	RNG	MER	SEC	Q-Q	TAX LOT	ACRES
15 S	11 E	W.M.	33	NW SE	200	27.5

Conclusions of Law

The Director of the Water Resources Department concludes that a portion of the rights evidenced by Water Right Certificates 1377, 74151 and 87100 have been abandoned in accordance with the provisions of ORS 540.621 and shall be cancelled.

Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:

1. Water Right Certificates 1377, 74151 and 87100 are canceled.
2. The Department shall issue Water Right Certificates 87928, 87929 and 87930 respectively, new and superseding certificates, to describe the remaining portions of the perfected and developed water rights NOT canceled by the provisions of this order.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 13 day of February, 2013.


 Dwight French Water Right Services Administrator for
 PHILLIP C. WARD, DIRECTOR

Mailing date: FEB 14 2013