

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

In the Matter of Transfer Application) T-12153, Yamhill County))	FINAL ORDER APPROVING A TEMPORARY CHANGE IN THE PLACE OF USE
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Authority

Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 540.505 to 540.580 establish the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to temporarily transfer the place of use and, if necessary to convey the water to the temporary place of use, the point of diversion authorized under an existing water right.

Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) Chapter 690, Division 380 implements the statutes and provides the Department’s procedures and criteria for evaluating transfer applications.

Applicant

WILLAMINA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 PO BOX 1000
 WILLAMINA, OR 97396

Findings of Fact

1. On September 1, 2015, WILLAMINA SCHOOL DISTRICT filed an application to temporarily change the place of use under Certificate 22540 for a period of ONE year. The Department assigned the application number T-12153.
2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on September 15, 2015, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
3. The portion of the right to be temporarily transferred is as follows:

Certificate: 22540 in the name of RALPH E. BUNN (perfected under Permit S-21842)
Use: IRRIGATION of 7.2 ACRES
Priority Date: OCTOBER 14, 1952
Rate: 0.09 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND
Limit/Duty: The amount of water used for irrigation, together with the amount secured under any other right existing for the same lands, shall be limited to ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated, and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to

This is a final 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 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.

exceed 2.5 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year.

Source: SOUTH YAMHILL RIVER tributary of the WILLAMETTE RIVER

Authorized Point of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
6 S	6 W	WM	6	NE NW	91	AS PROJECTED WITHIN OSBORN DLC # 91

Authorized Place of Use:

IRRIGATION						
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres
6 S	6 W	WM	6	NE NW	91	7.20

4. The Applicant provided additional information as to the point of diversion and it is described as follows:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
6 S	6 W	WM	6	NE NW	91	1130 FEET SOUTH AND 2340 FEET EAST FROM THE NW CORNER OF SECTION 6

5. Temporary Transfer Application T-12153 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the right to:

IRRIGATION							
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Tax Lot	DLC	Acres
5 S	6 W	WM	31	SE SW	900	61	0.10
6 S	6 W	WM	6	NE NW	900	91	3.90
6 S	6 W	WM	6	NW NW	900	93	3.20
Total							7.20

6. Certificate 63663, is pertinent to the on lands as described in Finding of Fact #5, however, Certificate 63663 will not be exercised during the duration of this Temporary Transfer.

Temporary Transfer Review Criteria

7. Water has been used within the last five years according to the terms and conditions of the right. There is no evidence available that would demonstrate that the right is subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
8. A pump, pipeline, and sprinkler system sufficient to use the full amount of water allowed under the existing right are present.
9. The proposed change would not result in enlargement of the right.
10. The proposed change would not result in injury to other water rights. This finding is made through an abbreviated review recognizing that the transfer may be revoked under ORS 540.523(5) if the Department later finds that the transfer is causing injury to any existing water right.

Conclusions of Law

The temporary change in place of use proposed in Temporary Transfer Application T-12153 is consistent with the requirements of ORS 540.523 and OAR 690-380-8000.

Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:

1. The temporary change in place of use proposed in Temporary Transfer Application T-12153 is approved.
2. The former place of use **shall not** be irrigated as part of this water right during the 2015, irrigation season.
3. The use shall revert to the authorized place of use at the end of the 2015 irrigation season.
4. The approval of this temporary transfer may be revoked or modified if the Department finds the change causes injury to any existing water right.
5. Certificate 63663 will not be exercised during the duration of this Temporary Transfer.
6. A subsequent application for permanent transfer of Certificate 22540 shall be subject to a full and complete review to determine consistency with the requirements of OAR Chapter 690, Division 380. Approval of this temporary transfer does not establish a precedent for approval of a subsequent application filed for a permanent transfer.
7. The use of water at the temporary place of use authorized by this transfer shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Certificate 22540.
8. The time during which water is used under this approved temporary transfer does not apply toward a finding of forfeiture under ORS 540.610.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 19 day of October, 2015.



Dwight French, Water Right Services Administrator, for
Thomas M. Byler, Director
Oregon Water Resources Department

Mailing Date: OCT 20 2015