# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the Proposed Short-Term	)	DETERMINATION and
Lease of Existing Water Rights for Instream	)	FINAL ORDER ON PROPOSED
Use, Certificates 76358 and 76714,	)	INSTREAM LEASE
Deschutes, County	)	

ORS 537.348 establishes the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to lease an existing water right for instream purposes. OAR Chapter 690, Division 077 implements the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating short-term instream lease applications.

#### Lessor #1

Pooled Instream Lease for several landowners (described in Finding of Fact #2)

#### Lessor #2

Central Oregon Irrigation District (COID) 2598 N Hwy 97 Redmond, OR 97756 transfers@coid.org

#### Lessee

Deschutes River Conservancy (DRC) PO Box 1560 Bend, OR 97709 Laura@deschutesrc.org

### **Findings of Fact**

- 1. COID and DRC filed an application to lease a portion of Certificates 76358 and 76714 to instream use. The Department assigned the application number L-636.
- 2. The rights to be leased have been clarified from the instream lease application and are as follows:

Certificate: 76358

**Season of Use:** April 1 to November 1, further limited as follows:

April 1 to May 1 and Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 described herein as Season 1 May 1 to May 15 and Sept. 15 to Oct. 1 described herein as Season 2

May 15 to Sept. 15 described herein as Season 3

Priority Date: October 31, 1900 and December 2, 1907

This is a final order in other than 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.

Season 1 (limited to 1/80<sup>th</sup> Cubic Foot per Second (CFS) per acre): 0.089 **Quantity:** 

CFS under the 10/31/1900 priority date

Season 2 (limited to 1/60<sup>th</sup> cfs per acre): 0.119 CFS under the 10/31/1900

priority date

Season 3 (limited to 1/32.4<sup>th</sup> cfs per acre): 0.221 CFS, being 0.157 CFS under the 10/31/1900 priority date and 0.063 CFS under the 12/2/1907

priority date

Duty (limited to 9.91 acre-feet per acre): 70.86 Acre-Feet (AF) The quantities listed reflect allowance of a 45% transmission loss as determined by decree of the Circuit Court of Deschutes County, dated

March 24, 1933

Source:

Deschutes River, tributary to the Columbia River

#### Place of Use:

IRRIGATION OF 7.15 ACRES								
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Tax Lot	Acres	Owner (Lessor #1)	
17 S	12 E	WM	35	NW SE	900	1.5 Alford/Smith Trust		
17 S	12 E	WM	27	SWSW	5104	1.75	1.75 Marshall & Lena Conard	
17 S	12 E	WM	26	NE SW	704	2.9	2.9 Brian, Mark and Gordon Dramen	
17 S	12 E	WM	13	SW SW	500	1.0	.0 Donald & Violet Hargrave	

#### **Point of Diversion:**

ordinates
0 feet South & 1535 feet Section 13

Certificate: 76714

Season of Use: April 1 to November 1 **Priority Date:** February 28, 1913

Quantity:

70.86 AF. This right does not have a rate limitation. Source: Crane Prairie Reservoir, tributary to the Columbia River

Place of Use: Same as described for certificate 76358

#### **Point of Diversion:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Survey Coordinates
18 S	11 E	WM	13	SW NE	Central Oregon Canal – 1520 feet South & 1535 feet
21 S	8 E	WM	17	NE NE	West from the NE corner of Section 13 Crane Prairie Reservoir Dam

3. The lease application includes the information required under OAR 690-077-0077(3). The Department provided notice of the lease application pursuant to OAR 690-077-0077(6). No comments were received.

4. The instream use has been modified from the application to prevent injury and enlargement and is as follows:

Deschutes River

Tributary to the Columbia River in the Deschutes Basin

Instream Reach: From the Central Oregon Canal POD (as described in Finding of Fact #2) to Lake Billy Chinook

Certificate	Source	Priority	Instream Rate (cfs)	Period Protected
		Date		Instream
76358	Deschutes R	10/31/1900	Season 1: 0.049 CFS	April 1 – Oct. 26
primary			Season 2: 0.066 CFS	
			Season 3: 0.086 CFS	
		12/2/1907	Season 3: 0.035 CFS	
76714	Crane	2/28/1913	Up to 6.94 AF (Sufficient	April 1 – Oct. 26
supplemental	Prairie		quantities may be	
	Reservoir		protected instream to make	
			up any deficiency of the	
			primary right)	

5. Other conditions to prevent injury and enlargement are:

The amount of water to be leased instream under certificate 76358 does not include a 45% transmission loss associated with this right when used for its originally authorized purpose. The transmission loss may not be leased and protected instream.

- 6. Certificate 76714 is supplemental to certificate 76358. The portion of certificate 76714 being leased instream shall only be protected instream if the full rate and duty under certificate 76358 are not available during the period for which water is being leased instream.
- 7. Based upon review of the application, comments received, information provided by the Department's Watermaster, and other available information, the Department finds that the lease will not result in injury or enlargement. This finding is made through an abbreviated review recognizing that the lease may be modified or revoked under OAR 690-077-0077 if the Department later finds that the lease is causing injury to any existing water right or enlargement of the original right.
- 8. If a right which has been leased is later proposed to be leased again or transferred to an instream use under ORS 537.348 and OAR 690-077-0070 or OAR 690-077-0075 a new injury review shall be required. Transfers will be subject to a full and complete review to determine consistency with the requirements of OAR Chapter 690, Division 380 and Division 077. Approval of this lease does not establish a precedent for approval of future leases or transfers.
- 9. The lease will terminate on October 31, 2005.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Department concludes that the lease will not result in injury or enlargement, OAR 690-077-0077. The lease agreement conforms to the applicable provisions of OAR 690-077-0015.

## **ORDER**

# Therefore, it is ORDERED:

- 1. That the Short-Term Lease as described herein is APPROVED.
- 2. The former place of use shall no longer receive water as part of these rights during the term of the lease.
- 3. The lease shall terminate on October 31, 2005.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of June 2005.

Phillip C. Ward, Director

Mailing date: JUN 2 3 2005