

BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DIRECTOR OF OREGON

MALHEUR COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
ROBERT W. METLEN FOR APPROVAL OF )  
A CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE OF WATER )  
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ORDER APPROVING  
TRANSFER 4974

On January 18, 1982, an application was filed in the office of the Water Resources Director by Robert W. Metlen for approval of a change in place of use of water from Owyhee River and Reservoir, pursuant to the provisions of ORS 540.510 to 540.530.

The certificate recorded at page 24707, Volume 17, State Record of Water Right Certificates, in the name of U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, describes a right which includes the use of water from Owyhee River and Reservoir, for irrigation of 0.2 acre in SE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 46 East, WM, with dates of priority of February 14, 1916 and August 19, 1924.

Water for the said right is diverted, through the North Canal, 43.2 Lateral, from a point located 825 feet South and 10 feet West from the Northwest Corner of Section 9, being within the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 46 East, WM.

The applicant herein, owner of the lands above described, proposes to sever the right therefrom and, without loss of priority, to irrigate in lieu thereof another 0.2 acre in said SE 1/4 NW 1/4.

Frank W. Elfering, Watermaster, has filed a statement to the effect that the proposed change in place of use may be made without injury to existing rights.

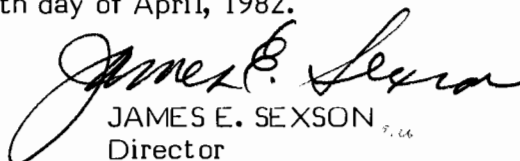
No objections having been filed and it appearing that the proposed change in place of use may be made without injury to existing rights, the application should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, it hereby is ORDERED that the requested change in place of use, as described herein, without loss of priority, is approved.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that NO time need be fixed for completion as the change in place of use is completed.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that upon proof satisfactory to the Water Resources Director of completion of works and beneficial use of water to the extent intended under the provisions of this and other orders, a confirming certificate of water right shall be issued.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 19th day of April, 1982.

  
JAMES E. SEXSON  
Director

NOTE: The approval of a water right transfer application does not confirm the status of the right in regard to the provisions of ORS 540.610 pertaining to forfeiture or abandonment.

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