BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DIRECTOR OF OREGON JOSEPHINE COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
JOSEPHINE COUNTY (GRANTS PASS)	
IRRIGATION DISTRICT) FOR APPROVAL)	ORDER APPROVING
OF A CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE OF)	TRANSFER 5770
WATER)	

On March 21, 1986, an application was filed in the office of the Water Resources Director by Josephine County for approval of a change in place of use of water from Rogue River, Jones Creek, Fruitdale Creek, Gilbert Creek, Sand Creek and Sparrowhawk Creek, pursuant to the provisions of ORS 540.510 to 540.530.

Certificate of water right issued to Grants Pass Irrigation District and recorded at page 50650, Volume 44, State Record of Water Right Certificates, describes a right for the use of not to exceed 96.94 cubic feet per second of water from Rogue River, supplemented by the use of not to exceed 6.0 cubic feet per second from Jones Creek; not to exceed 5.0 cubic feet per second from Gilbert Creek; not to exceed 6.0 cubic feet per second from Sand Creek; and not to exceed 3.0 cubic feet per second from Sparrowhawk Creek for irrigation of, among other lands, a certain 0.69 acre in NE 1/4 NW 1/4 and 3.76 acres in NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 28, Township 36 South, Range 5 West, WM, with dates of priority of September 29, 1916 from Rogue River and February 27, 1922 from Jones Creek, Fruitdale Creek, Gilbert Creek, Sand Creek and Sparrowhawk Creek.

The applicant herein, owner of the lands above described, proposes to transfer the water rights therefrom to a certain 2.15 acres in Tax Lot 2000, within SE 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 26, Township 36 South, Range 6 West, WM (Callicoat); 2.0 acres in Tax Lot 101, within NE 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 14, Township 36 South, Range 6 West, WM (Gillis); 0.10 acre in Tax Lot 6500, within NW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 15, Township 36 South, Range 4 West, WM (Hakola) and 0.20 acre in Tax Lot 2911, within SW 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 15, Township 36 South, Range 5 West, WM.

The lands involved herein are within the boundaries of the Grants Pass Irrigation District and the Board of Directors of said District approved the proposed change in place of use of water at a regular meeting.

Robert B. Steimer, 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 proposed change in place of use is approved, without loss of priority.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that said water so transferred shall be applied to beneficial use on or before October 1, 1987.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that upon proof satisfactory to the Water Resources Director of complete application of water to beneficial use on the lands to which the water is transferred hereby, the change of water right shall be considered perfected, and at a later date a certificate of water right shall be issued to Grants Pass Irrigation District confirming this and other changes within the District, and superseding Certificate 50650.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 8th day of May, 1986.

WILLIAM H. YOUNG,

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.

A party may file objections and exceptions to the Proposed Order with the Water Resources Commission. Such objections and exceptions must be filed within 45 days from the date of service (date of mailing) of the Proposed Order on the party. The Commission will provide opportunity for oral argument in support of written objections and exceptions. If no objections and exceptions are filed within the time allowed, the Proposed Order will automatically become the Final Order of the Commission.

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