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, Certificate 21634, Tillamook County)	INSTREAM LEASE

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

Patrick Zweifel 9455 Kilchis River Road Tillamook, Oregon 97141

Findings of Fact

- 1. Patrick Zweifel filed an application to lease a portion of Certificate 21634 to instream use. The Department assigned the application number L-605.
- 2. The rights to be leased are as follows:

Certificate 21634:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
1 S	9 W	WM	7	NW SW	14.6

Point of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Survey Coordinates
1 S	9 W	WM	7	NW SW	700 Feet S & 940 Feet E from the W 1/4 of Section 7

- 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 lease application to prevent injury and enlargement and is as follows:

Kilchis River

Tributary to Tillamook Bay in the North Coast Basin

Instream Reach: POD (described in Finding of Fact 2) to mouth of Kilchis River

Certificat	e Priority Date	Instream Rate (cfs)	Period Protected Instream
21634	June 5, 1953	0.17	July 16 through October 31

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.

- 5. 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.
- 6. 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.
- 7. The lease will terminate on October 31, 2008.
- 8. The lessor has requested the option of terminating the lease early with written notice to the Department.
- 9. This application is associated with transfer application T-9744.

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, 2008. The lessor shall have the option of terminating the lease each year, with notification to the Department by June 16 of each year, and before any irrigation has occurred on the property.
- 4. If the order approving transfer application T-9744 does not become final, this order shall not become final.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 28th day of April 2005.

Phillip C. Ward, Director

Mailing date: MAY 0 2 2005

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