BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Application for Extension)	FINAL ORDER APPROVING AN
of Time for Transfer of Water Right)	EXTENSION OF TIME
T-9582, Jefferson County, Oregon)	

Applicant

COLUMBIA EMPIRE FARMS INC. (R-2 RANCH) 31461 NE BELL ROAD SHERWOOD, OR 97140

Findings of Fact

- 1. The Water Resources Department issued an order approving Transfer Application T-9582 in the name of Columbia Empire Farms, Inc. (R-2 Ranch) on February 28, 2007. The order was recorded in Special Order Volume 71, at Page 252. The order set a transfer completion date of October 1, 2008.
- 2. On December 14, 2010, the Department received an application for extension of time for transfer of water right T-9582 from Columbia Empire Farms, Inc. (R-2 Ranch).
- 3. The applicant has completed the construction of the points of diversion and has partially inter-connected them. Measuring devices have been installed for POD #1, 2, 3, 5 and 7. All lands have been irrigated from at least one of the POD's. All POD's have met fish conditions as issued in the final order.
- 4. To fully complete the change, it will be necessary for the applicant to install a meter at POD #6 and an additional meter at POD #4. The applicant also needs to install a measuring device at the original POD and to extend the deadline so that POD inter-connection work completed in 2010 will be within the time allowed for development.
- 5. The applicant has requested that the time for completion of beneficial use be extended to October 1, 2011.

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.

Conclusions of Law

Pursuant to OAR 690-380-6020, the Director of the Water Resources Department concludes the applicant has shown reasonable diligence to complete the transfer within the time period established by the order approving Transfer Application T-9582.

Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:

The time for completion of beneficial use authorized by T-9582 shall be extended to October 1, 2011.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 17 day of December, 2010

Dwight Rench for PHILLIP C. WARD, DIRECTOR

Mailing date: ______ DEC 2 1 2010