

**BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OF THE  
STATE OF OREGON**

In the Matter of Transfer Application        )  
T-10197, Baker County                        )  
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  )        FINAL ORDER APPROVING A  
  )        TEMPORARY CHANGE IN PLACE OF  
  )        USE

ORS 537.705 and 540.505 to 540.580 establish the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to temporarily transfer the place of use and, if necessary to convey the water to the temporary place of use, the point of diversion authorized under an existing water right. OAR Chapter 690, Division 380 implements the statutes and provides the Department’s procedures and criteria for evaluating transfer applications.

**Applicant**

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HAINES, OR 97833

**Agent**

DELBERT STEPHENS  
46226 ROCK CREEK TOWN RD  
HAINES OR 97833

**Findings of Fact**

1. On June 12, 2006, John Boyer filed an application to temporarily change the place of use under Certificate 31421 for a period of one year. The Department assigned the application number T-10197.
2. Amendments to the application and map were received by the Department on September 18, 2006.
3. The portion of the right to be transferred is as follows:

**Certificate:** 31421 in the names of JOHN BOYER, C. W. DAVIDSON AND NANCY A. MAXWELL (perfected under Permit S-4813)

**Use:** IRRIGATION of 60.0 ACRES

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 4, 1918

**Rate:** 0.2 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND (cfs)

**Limit/Duty:** ONE-EIGHTIETH cfs per acre, duty not specified on certificate.

**Source:** ROCK CREEK LAKE RESERVOIR, tributary to ROCK CREEK

**NOTICE OF RIGHT TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION OR JUDICIAL REVIEW**

This is an order in other than a 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.

**Authorized Point of Diversion:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q	Survey Coordinates
8 S	38 E	WM	31	SW 1/4	NOT SPECIFIED ON CERTIFICATE

**Authorized Place of Use:**

**SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
8 S	38 E	WM	1	NW NE	20.0
8 S	38 E	WM	1	SW NE	40.0

- Application T-10197 proposes to change the place of use of the right to:

**SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
7 S	38 E	WM	26	SW NE	30.0
7 S	38 E	WM	26	NW SE	30.0

- Notice of the application for temporary transfer was published on June 27, 2006, pursuant to ORS 540.520 and OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- Transfer application T-10197 proposes to temporarily transfer water rights within the boundaries of Powder Valley Water Control District. The district was notified of the proposed temporary transfer and did not provide any comments.
- Water has been used within the last five years according to the terms and conditions of the right, and no evidence is available that would demonstrate that the right is subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
- A pump, pipeline, and sprinkler system sufficient to use the full amount of water allowed under the existing right are present.
- The proposed change would not result in enlargement of the right.
- The proposed change would not result in injury to other water rights. This finding is made through an abbreviated review recognizing that the transfer may be revoked under ORS 540.523(6) if the Department later finds that the transfer is causing injury to any existing water right.

**Conclusions of Law**

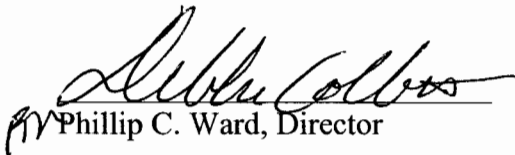
The temporary change in place of use proposed in transfer application T-10197 is consistent with the requirements of ORS 540.523 and OAR 690-380-8000.

**Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:**

- The change in place of use proposed in application T-10197 is approved.
- The former place of use **shall not** be irrigated as part of this water right during the 2006 irrigation season.

3. The use shall revert to the authorized place of use at the end of the 2006 irrigation season.
4. The approval of this temporary transfer may be revoked or modified if the Department finds the change causes injury to any existing water right.
5. A subsequent application for permanent transfer of Certificate 31421 shall be subject to a full and complete review to determine consistency with the requirements of OAR Chapter 690, Division 380. Approval of this temporary transfer does not establish a precedent for approval of a subsequent application filed for a permanent transfer.
6. The use of water at the temporary place of use authorized by this transfer shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Certificate 31421.
7. The time during which water is used under this approved temporary transfer does not apply toward a finding of forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
8. The use of the remaining water right described by Certificate 31421 shall continue to be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Certificate 31421.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2006.

  
Phillip C. Ward, Director

Mailing Date: SEP 25 2006