# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the Proposed Water	)	FINAL ORDER APPROVING WATER
Management and Conservation Plan for	)	MANAGEMENT AND
Tualatin Valley Irrigation District,	)	CONSERVATION PLAN
Washington County, Oregon	)	

### **Authority**

OAR Chapter 690, Division 086, establishes the process and criteria for approving water management and conservation plans required under the conditions of permits, permit extensions and other orders of the Department.

### **Background**

On March 9, 2004, the Tualatin Valley Irrigation District submitted a draft Water Management and Conservation Plan for review under OAR Chapter 690, Division 086 (November 2002). Submittal of the plan was required under the Tualatin Valley Irrigation District's Water Management and Conservation Plan approved July 19, 1999.

The Department published notice of receipt of the plan on September 21, 2004. No public comments were received.

## **Findings of Fact**

- 1. The Tualatin Valley Irrigation District's Water Management and Conservation Plan contains all of the plan elements required under OAR 690-086-0225.
- 2. The district is fully metered, and the rate structure includes block pricing. System releases are estimated to be 20 percent above what is diverted by users. Water remaining in the river benefits water quality and users downstream.
- 3. The plan identifies the Tualatin River and Scoggins Reservoir as the principal sources of the District's water rights, and reasonably assumes an adequate supply of water is available for its customers in the near future. There is ongoing coordination with other major water suppliers in the valley.
- 4. Mandatory water curtailment measures have not been required to date. Voluntary measures were taken to reduce water demands during the 2001 drought.

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 137-004-080 and OAR 690-01-005 you may either petition for judicial review or petition the Director for reconsideration of this order.

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#### **Conclusion of Law**

The water management and conservation plan submitted by the Tualatin Valley Irrigation District is consistent with the criteria in OAR Chapter 690, Division 086.

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

The Tualatin Valley Irrigation District's Water Management and Conservation Plan is approved and shall remain in effect until December 1, 2009, unless this approval is rescinded pursuant to OAR 690-086-0920.

The Tualatin Valley Irrigation District shall submit an updated plan by December 1, 2009.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 15th day of December 2004.

Phillip C. Ward, Director