BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DIRECTOR OF OREGON GRANT COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
HOMER L. HARRISON)	ORDER APPROVING
FOR APPROVAL OF AN ADDITIONAL)	TRANSFER 5758
POINT OF DIVERSION OF WATER)	

On February 14, 1986, an application was filed in the office of the Water Resources Director by Homer L. Harrison for approval of an additional point of diversion of water from John Day River, pursuant to the provisions of ORS 540.510 to 540.530.

The certificate recorded at page 49909, Volume 43, State Record of Water Right Certificates, in the name of Blue Mountain Ditch Company, describes a right which includes the use of not to exceed 1.15 cubic foot per second from John Day River, for irrigation of 27.2 acres in NE 1/4 NE 1/4, 2.0 acres in NW 1/4 NE 1/4, 36.1 acres in SW 1/4 NE 1/4, 20.6 acres in SE 1/4 NE 1/4, and 6.0 acres in NW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 26, Township 13 South, Range 29 East, WM, with a date of priority of October 23, 1916.

Water for the said right is diverted, through the Blue Mountain Ditch, from a point located 565 feet North and 2320 feet West from the East Quarter Corner of Section 29, being within the NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of Section 29, Township 13 South, Range 30 East, WM.

The applicant herein, owner of the lands above described, proposes to add a second point of diversion at a point located 740 feet South and 1230 feet West from the Northeast Corner of Section 26, being within the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of Section 26, Township 13 South, Range 29 East, WM.

Notice of the application, pursuant to ORS 540.520(2), was published in the Blue Mountain Eagle, a newspaper having general circulation in the area in which the water right is located, for a period of three weeks in the issues of February 27, March 6 and 13, 1986.

Jerry Rodgers, Watermaster, has filed a statement to the effect that the proposed additional point of diversion may be made without injury to existing rights.

No objections having been filed and it appearing that the proposed additional point of diversion may be made without injury to existing rights, the application should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, it hereby is ORDERED that the proposed additional point of diversion is approved, without loss of priority.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the quantity of water diverted at the new point of diversion, together with that diverted at the old point of diversion, shall not exceed the quantity of water available at the old point of diversion under the subject right, and shall not exceed 1.15 cubic foot per second.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the following provisions shall be effective when in the judgment of the Watermaster it becomes necessary to install headgates and measuring devices:

That the diversion works shall include an in-line flow meter, a weir, or other suitable device for measuring the water to which the applicant is entitled;

That the type and plans of the measuring device be approved by the Watermaster before the beginning of construction work and that the weir or measuring device be installed under the general supervision of said Watermaster.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the construction work shall be completed and water used from the proposed point of diversion on or before October 1, 1987.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the certificate recorded at page 49909, Volume 43, State Record of Water Right Certificates, is canceled; and in lieu thereof a new certificate be issued covering the balance of the right NOT involved in this proceeding; and upon proof satisfactory to the Water Resources Director of completion of works and beneficial use of water to the extent intended under the provisions of this order, a confirming certificate of water right shall be issued to the applicant herein.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 27th day of August, 1986.

WILLIAM H. YOUNG

NOTE:

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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