

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

In the Matter of the Proposed Water                    )  
Management and Conservation Plan for                )  
East Fork Irrigation District, Hood River            )  
County, Oregon    )

FINAL ORDER APPROVING WATER  
MANAGEMENT AND  
CONSERVATION PLAN

**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.

**Findings of Fact**

1. The East Fork Irrigation District submitted a Water Management and Conservation Plan to the Department on November 26, 2002.
2. Public notice was published February 25, 2003, as required under OAR Chapter 690, Division 086. No comments were received.
3. The Department reviewed the draft plan. Based on the plan and comments, the Department outlined a proposed work plan that, if completed, would allow the East Fork Irrigation District to satisfy the requirements of OAR 690-086-240. The Department notified the East Fork Irrigation District of the areas needing additional work in the Department's letter of October 13, 2004.
4. The East Fork Irrigation District agreed by letter dated October 25, 2004, to complete the activities described in the work plan within five years. Pursuant to OAR 690-086-910(3), the Department reviewed the revised plan for consistency with OAR Chapter 690, Division 086 as adopted by the Water Resources Commission in 1994.
5. The final plan is generally consistent with the relevant requirements and includes a work plan as described in the Department's letter of October 13, 2004, for completion of additional work necessary to satisfy the requirements within five years.

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.

**Conclusion of Law**

The water management and conservation plan, with the inclusion of the work plan, submitted by East Fork Irrigation District is consistent with the criteria in OAR Chapter 690, Division 086.

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

The East Fork Irrigation District Water Management and Conservation Plan is approved and shall remain in effect until December 6, 2009, unless this approval is rescinded pursuant to OAR 690-086-0920.

The East Fork Irrigation District shall submit an updated plan meeting the requirements of OAR Chapter 690, Division 86 (effective November 1, 2002) within 5 years, and no later than December 6, 2009, that incorporates the results of the activities included in its work plan.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2004.

  
Phillip C. Ward, Director

Mailing date: DEC 06 2004

East Fork Irrigation District  
Water Management and Conservation Work Plan  
October , 2004

Revise and update the District's Water Management and Conservation Plan to be submitted to the Water Resources Department by December 1, 2009. The updated plan will be consistent with the requirements of OAR Chapter 690, Division 86, and will include:

Evaluation and/or installation of SCADA (supervisory control and data acquisition) equipment to better control water deliveries and reduce operational spills within the district.

A program to identify canal reaches with high seepage losses, to estimate benefits and costs of reducing losses, and to schedule measures that are determined to be feasible and appropriate.

A program to provide information on water conservation to district patrons.

A review and reassessment of the benefits and costs of the conservation measures listed under OAR 690-086-0250(6).