

BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DIRECTOR OF OREGON
UMATILLA COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
PRUDENTIAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY) ORDER APPROVING
OF AMERICA FOR APPROVAL OF) TRANSFER 5679
ADDITIONAL POINTS OF APPROPRIATION)
OF WATER)

On July 29, 1985, an application was filed in the office of the Water Resources Director by Prudential Life Insurance Company of America for approval of additional points of appropriation of water from ground water, pursuant to the provisions of ORS 537.705.

The certificate recorded at page 28478, Volume 20, State Record of Water Right Certificates, in the name of Claude O. Meyers, describes a right for the use of not to exceed 1.50 cubic feet per second from ground water for irrigation of 223.8 acres as follows:

1.3 acres SW 1/4 SW 1/4
Section 1
0.2 acre SW 1/4 SE 1/4
0.9 acre SE 1/4 SE 1/4
Section 2
40.0 acres NE 1/4 NE 1/4
38.5 acres NW 1/4 NE 1/4
26.4 acres SW 1/4 NE 1/4
40.0 acres SE 1/4 NE 1/4
2.0 acres NE 1/4 SE 1/4
1.1 acres NW 1/4 SE 1/4
Section 11
35.2 acres NW 1/4 NW 1/4
36.3 acres SW 1/4 NW 1/4
1.9 acres NW 1/4 SW 1/4
Section 12
Township 3 North, Range 29 East, WM

with a date of priority of March 25, 1955.

The authorized point of appropriation is located 2 chains North and 33.2 chains West from the East Quarter Corner of Section 11, being within the SW 1/4 NE 1/4 of Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 29 East, WM (Claude O. Meyers Well).

The applicant herein, owner of the lands above described, proposes to add four points of appropriation as follows:

Well 2

2010 feet North and 1330 feet East from the Southwest Corner, Section 6, being within the NW 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 6, Township 3 North, Range 30 East, WM;

Well 3

2480 feet North and 220 feet West from the Southeast Corner, Section 12, being within the NE 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 12, Township 3 North, Range 29 East, WM;

Well 4

2820 feet North and 260 feet West from the Southeast Corner, Section 2, being within the SE 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 2, Township 3 North, Range 29 East, WM;

Well 7

1010 feet South and 40 feet East from the Northwest Corner, Section 12, being within the NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 12, Township 3 North, Range 29 East, WM;

The additional points of appropriation are reported to be completed.

Notice of the application, pursuant to ORS 540.520(2), was published in The Hermiston Herald, 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 September 3, 10, and 17, 1985.

Larry H. Nunn, Watermaster, has filed a statement to the effect that the proposed additional points of appropriation may be made without injury to existing rights.

Michael J. Zwart, Hydrogeologist, has filed a statement to the effect that the proposed additional points of appropriation may be made without injury to existing rights.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, it hereby is ORDERED that the proposed additional points of appropriation are approved, without loss of priority.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the quantity of water appropriated at the new wells, together with that appropriated at the old well, shall not exceed the quantity of water available at the old well under the subject right, and shall not exceed 1.50 cubic feet per second.


It is FURTHER ORDERED that the following provisions shall be carried out prior to using water from the new wells as herein confirmed:

That the pump system from each well shall include an in-line flow meter 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 measuring device be installed under the general supervision of said Watermaster.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the certificate recorded at page 28478, Volume 20, State Record of Water Right Certificates, is canceled; 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 23rd day of October, 1985.


WILLIAM H. YOUNG
Director

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.

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