

BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DIRECTOR OF OREGON  
UMATILLA COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF CANCELLATION OF A )  
 PORTION OF A PERFECTED AND DEVELOPED ) FINAL O R D E R  
 WATER RIGHT IN THE NAME OF )  
 L. H. RAMBO – CERTIFICATE 1707 )

ORS 540.621 directs the Commission to enter an order canceling a water right whenever the owner of a perfected and developed water right certifies under oath to the Commission that the water right has been abandoned and the owner desires to cancel the right.

**Findings of Fact**

1. On February 4, 2005, the Department received an affidavit from Raymond and Mary Hoskins, 51085 Phillips Rd., Milton-Freewater, Oregon, stating they are the owners of land and the water right appurtenant as evidenced by Certificate 1707, State Record of Water Right Certificates. The affidavit further states a portion of the water right appurtenant to the property has been abandoned and requests the certificate be canceled.
2. Pursuant to OAR 690-017-002(a), the Department has determined that Raymond and Mary Hoskins are the record owners, as established by county deed records, of property to which a portion of the water right evidenced by Certificate 1707 is appurtenant.
3. Certificate 1707 allows for the use of 0.13 cubic foot per second (cfs) of water from Dugger Creek, tributary to Pine Creek, for irrigation of 10.00 acres, domestic and stock use. The date of priority is 1885 for irrigation of 2.0 acres, and 1903 for irrigation of 8.0 acres.
4. The portion of Certificate 1707 which has been abandoned is for the use of 0.04 cfs for irrigation of 3.0 acres, and domestic and stock use under the 1903 priority date located as follows:

TWP	RNG	MER	SEC	1/4	1/4	DLC	LOT	ACRES
6	N	35	E	W.M.	30	NW	NW	3.0

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

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 137-004-0080 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.

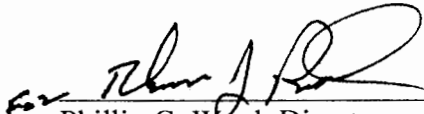
**Conclusions of Law**

The Director of the Water Resources Department concludes that a portion of the right evidenced by Water Right Certificate 1707 has been abandoned in accordance with the provisions of ORS 540.621 and shall be canceled.

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

1. Certificate 1707 is canceled.
2. The Department shall issue Certificate 81285, a new and superseding certificate, to describe the remaining portion of the perfected and developed water right NOT canceled by the provisions of this order.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2005.

  
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Phillip C. Ward, Director