

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

In the Matter of Transfer Application                    )     FINAL ORDER APPROVING A  
T-13532, Lane, Linn County                            )     CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE

**Authority**

Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 540.505 to 540.580 establish the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to transfer the point of diversion, place of use, or character of use authorized under an existing water right. Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) Chapter 690, Division 380 implement the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating transfer applications.

**Applicant**

MUDDY CREEKS IRRIGATION PROJECT  
C/O JANE DEWALL  
PO BOX 225  
HARRISBURG, OR 97446

**Findings of Fact**

1. On September 28, 2020, MUDDY CREEKS IRRIGATION PROJECT, C/O JANE DEWALL, filed an application to change the place of use under Certificate 76240. The Department assigned the application number T-13532.
2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on October 13, 2020, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
3. On November 5, 2020, the applicant submitted a revised application.
4. On November 22, 2021, the agent submitted a revised Table 2.
5. On November 23, 2021, the Department sent a copy of the draft Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-13532 to the applicant. The draft Preliminary Determination cover letter set forth a deadline of December 23, 2021, for the applicant to respond. The applicant requested that the Department proceed with issuance of a Preliminary Determination and provided the necessary information to demonstrate that the applicant is authorized to pursue the transfer.

This final order is subject to judicial review by the Court of Appeals under ORS 183.482. Any petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60-day time period specified by ORS 183.482(1). Pursuant to ORS 536.075 and OAR 137-003-0675, you may 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.

6. On December 22, 2021, the agent for the applicant requested the completion date of October 1, 2024, to allow adequate time needed to put the water to beneficial use on the new place of use. The Department granted the longer time for completion per OAR 690-380-5140 (3).
7. On March 14, 2022, the Department issued a Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-13532 and sent a copy to the applicant. Additionally, notice of the Preliminary Determination for the transfer application was published in the Department's weekly notice on March 15, 2022, pursuant to ORS 540.520 and OAR 690-380-4020. No protests were filed in response to the notice.
8. The portion of the right to be transferred is as follows:

**Certificate:** 76240 in the name of MUDDY CREEKS IRRIGATION PROJECT  
(perfected under Permit S-51504)

**Use:** IRRIGATION of 71.4 ACRES

**Priority Date:** JUNE 12, 1990

**Rate:** 0.8 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND

**Limit/Duty:** The amount of water used for irrigation, together with the amount secured under any other right existing for the same lands, is limited to ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated, and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 2.5 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year.

**Period of Use:** MARCH 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 31

**Source:** MCKENZIE RIVER, a tributary of WILLAMETTE RIVER

**Authorized Point of Diversion:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
17 S	3 W	WM	9	NE NE	38	4440 FEET SOUTH AND 5250 FEET EAST FROM THE SE CORNER OF DLC 79

**Point of Re-Diversion:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
14 S	4 W	WM	27	SW SW	CAMOUS CREEK RE-DIVERSION POD A – 50 FEET NORTH AND 945 FEET EAST OF THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 27

**Authorized Place of Use:**

IRRIGATION					
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
14 S	4 W	WM	27	NE SW	12.9
14 S	4 W	WM	27	SE SW	37.7
14 S	4 W	WM	27	NW SE	5.3
14 S	4 W	WM	27	SW SE	15.5
				Total	71.4

9. Transfer Application T-13532 proposes to change the place of use of the right to:

IRRIGATION					
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
14 S	4 W	WM	13	NE SW	6.4
14 S	4 W	WM	13	NW SW	3.1
14 S	4 W	WM	13	SW SW	3.8
14 S	4 W	WM	13	SE SW	9.4
14 S	4 W	WM	14	NE NW	9.0
14 S	4 W	WM	14	NW NW	28.1
14 S	4 W	WM	14	SW NW	10.9
14 S	4 W	WM	14	SE NW	0.7
Total					71.4

10. The points of re-diversion to serve the proposed places of use are located as follows:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
14 S	4 W	WM	13	SW SW	RE-DIVERSION LITTLE MUDDY CREEK POD B - 1733 FEET SOUTH AND 60 FEET EAST OF THE W1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 13
14 S	4 W	WM	14	NE NW	RE-DIVERSION LITTLE MUDDY CREEK POD C - 805 FEET SOUTH AND 140 FEET WEST OF THE N1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 14

**Transfer Review Criteria [OAR 690-380-4010(2)]**

11. Water has been used within the five-year period prior to submittal of the transfer application according to the terms and conditions of the right. There is no information in the record that would demonstrate that the right is subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
12. A diversion structure and ditch sufficient to use the full amount of water allowed under the existing right were present within the five-year period prior to submittal of Transfer Application T-13532.
13. The proposed change would not result in enlargement of the right.
14. The proposed change would not result in injury to other water rights.
15. All other application requirements are met.

**Conclusions of Law**

The change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-13532 is consistent with the requirements of ORS 540.505 to 540.580 and OAR 690-380-5000.

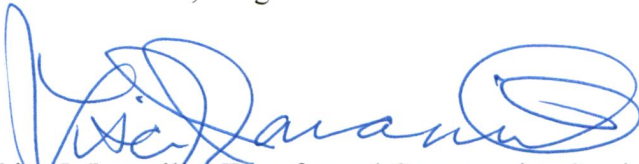
**Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:**

1. The change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-13532 is approved.
2. The right to the use of the water is restricted to beneficial use at the place of use described, and is subject to all other conditions and limitations contained in Certificate 76240 and any related decree.

3. Water right Certificate 76240 is cancelled. A new certificate will be issued describing that portion of the right not affected by this transfer.
4. The former place of use of the transferred right shall no longer receive water under the right.
5. Full beneficial use of the water shall be made, consistent with the terms of this order, on or before **October 1, 2024**. A Claim of Beneficial Use prepared by a Certified Water Right Examiner shall be submitted by the applicant to the Department within one year after the deadline for completion of the change and full beneficial use of the water.
6. After satisfactory proof of beneficial use is received, a new certificate confirming the right transferred will be issued.

Dated in Salem, Oregon on

**MAY 09 2022**



Lisa J. Jaramillo, Transfer and Conservation Section Manager, for  
THOMAS M BYLER, DIRECTOR  
Oregon Water Resources Department

**MAY 10 2022**

Mailing date: \_\_\_\_\_