# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application	)	FINAL ORDER APPROVING AN
T-12646, Deschutes County	)	ADDITIONAL POINT OF DIVERSION

### 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

VIRGINIA ROSS 64705 OTTER RUN LN BEND, OR 97703 info@virginiaross.com

# **Findings of Fact**

- 1. On April 19, 2017, VIRGINIA ROSS filed an application for an additional point of diversion under Certificate 67313. The Department assigned the application number T-12646.
- 2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on April 25, 2017, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- 3. On February 12, 2019, the applicant submitted an amended application and map.
- On February 27, 2019, the Department sent a copy of the draft Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-12646 to the applicant. The draft Preliminary Determination cover letter set forth a deadline of March 29, 2019, 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.

- 5. On April 26, 2019, the Department issued a Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-12646 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 April 30, 2019 pursuant to ORS 540.520 and OAR 690-380-4020. No protests were filed in response to the notice.
- The portion of the right to be transferred is as follows:

Certificate:

67313 in the name of RICHARD FUNK (perfected under Permit S-3438)

Use:

**IRRIGATION OF 0.73 ACRE** 

**Priority Date:** 

JULY 19, 1917

Rate:

0.009 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 a diversion of ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second (or its equivalent) and 4.0 acre-feet for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each

year.

Source:

DESCHUTES RIVER, tributary of the COLUMBIA RIVER

#### **Authorized Point of Diversion:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NE NE	1253 FEET SOUTH AND 1131 FEET WEST FROM THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 31

#### **Authorized Place of Use:**

		IRRIGA	TION		
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NE NE	0.25
16 S	12 E	WM	31	SE NE	0.48
				Total	0.72

Transfer Application T-12646 proposes an additional point of diversion approximately 213 feet upstream. The draft Preliminary Determination erroneously described the location of the proposed additional point of diversion as being in the NE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 31. The transfer application map and measured distance describe the location of the proposed additional point of diversion as follows:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
16 S	12 E	WM	31	SE NE	1390 FEET SOUTH AND 1050 FEET WEST FROM THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 31

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) has determined that a fish screen is necessary at the new point of diversion to prevent fish from entering the diversion and that the diversion is not currently equipped with an appropriate fish screen. This diversion may be eligible for screening cost-share funds.

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

- 9. Water has been used within the last five years 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.
- 10. A pump, pipeline, and sprinkler system 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-12646.
- 11. The proposed change would not result in enlargement of the right.
- 12. The proposed change would not result in injury to other water rights.
- 13. All other application requirements are met.

### Conclusion of Law

The additional point of diversion proposed in Transfer Application T-12646 is consistent with the requirements of ORS 540.505 to 540.580 and OAR 690-380-5000.

## Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:

- 1. The additional point of diversion proposed in Transfer Application T-12646 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 67313 and any related decree.
- 3. Water right Certificate 67313 is cancelled. A new certificate will be issued describing that portion of the right not affected by this transfer.
- 4. The quantity of water diverted at the additional point of diversion, together with that diverted at the original point of diversion, shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original point of diversion.
- 5. Water use measurement conditions:
  - a. **Before water use may begin** under this order, the water user shall install a totalizing flow meter, or, with prior approval of the Director, another suitable measuring device, at each new point of diversion.
  - b. The water user shall maintain the meter or measuring device in good working order.
  - c. The water user shall allow the Watermaster access to the meter or measuring device; provided however, where the meter or measuring device is located within a private structure, the Watermaster shall request access upon reasonable notice.

- 6. Prior to diverting water, the water user shall install an approved fish screen at the new point of diversion and shall provide to the OWRD a written statement from Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) that the installed screen meets the state's criteria, or that ODFW has determined a screen is not necessary.
  - The water user shall operate and maintain the fish screen at the new point of diversion consistent with ODFW's operational and maintenance standards. If ODFW determines the screen is not functioning properly, and is unsuccessful in working with the water user to meet ODFW standards, ODFW may request that OWRD regulate the use of water until OWRD receives notification from ODFW that the fish screen is functioning properly.
- 7. 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.
- 8. After satisfactory proof of beneficial use is received, a new certificate confirming the right transferred will be issued.

Dated in Salem, Oregon on	JUN 2 7 2019
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