

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

In the Matter of Application for Extension    )    FINAL ORDER APPROVING AN  
of Time for Transfer of Water Right         )    EXTENSION OF TIME  
Authorized by T-8584, Wasco County,         )  
Oregon    )

**Applicant**

Wasco County, Oregon Public Works Department  
511 Washington Street  
The Dalles, OR 97058

**Findings of Fact**

1. On May 26, 2004, the Department received an application for extension of time for transfer of water right from Donald J. Branton, CWRE, on behalf of Wasco County.
2. The Water Resources Department issued an order approving Transfer Application T-8584 on July 23, 2001. The order was recorded in Special Order Volume 55, at Page 791. The order set a transfer completion date of October 1, 2002, and the date for submission of a claim of beneficial use as October 1, 2003.
3. The applicant requested an extension because they are unable to develop the remaining requested point of diversions #1 and #2 by the completion date. Development of point of diversion #1 has been developed delayed due to budget restrictions, available equipment, and manpower. The development of point of diversion #2 requires a cooperative effort with another municipal entity which also has budget restrictions at this time.
4. The applicant has accomplished usage for road maintenance and construction including the necessary portable pumps to divert and load tanker trucks, and is using two of the four requested point of diversions. The applicant requests an extension until October 1, 2008, to complete construction of the two remaining point of diversions.

**Conclusions of Law**

Pursuant to OAR 690-380-6020, the Director of the Water Resources Department concludes the applicant has shown reasonable diligence to complete the transfer within the time period established by the order approving Transfer Application T-8584.

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

The time for completion of the changes in point of diversion and place of use and character of use, authorized by T-8584 shall be extended to October 1, 2008.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 2004

  
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Phillip C. Ward  
Acting Director