BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DIRECTOR OF OREGON

UMATILLA COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
ROBERT D. WEEKS FOR APPROVAL OF A)	ORDER APPROVING
CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE OF WATER)	TRANSFER 5981

On August 12, 1987, an application was filed in the office of the Water Resources Director by Robert D. Weeks for approval of a change in place of use of water from ground water, pursuant to the provisions of ORS 537.705.

The certificate recorded at page 53747, Volume 49, State Record of Water Right Certificates, in the name of Robert D. Weeks, describes a right for which includes the use of not to exceed 0.04 cubic foot per second from ground water for the irrigation of the Southerly 3.0 acres East of Birch Drive in the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 32 East, WM, with a date of priority of May 16, 1979.

The authorized point of appropriation is located 850 feet North and 50 feet West from the Southeast corner of Section 33, being within the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 32 East, WM.

The applicant herein, owner of the lands above described, proposes to change the place of use East of Birch Drive therefrom to the northerly 3.0 acres in the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 32 East, WM.

Michael F. Ladd, Watermaster, has filed a statement to the effect that the proposed change in place of use may be made without injury to existing rights.

It appears that the proposed change in place of use may be made without injury to existing rights, the application should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, it hereby is ORDERED that the proposed change in place of use is approved, without loss of priority.

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.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the following provisions shall be effective when in the judgment of the Watermaster it becomes necessary to install measuring devices:

That the pump system shall include an access port for measuring the water level;

That the pump system 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 subject water right is hereby severed from the place of use described in Certificate 53747, and shall be beneficially used as authorized by this order on or before October 1, 1989.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the certificate recorded at page 53747, Volume 49, 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 certificate of water right shall be issued to the applicant herein, confirming the change authorized herein and including the portion of the water right NOT involved in this transfer.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 18th day of February, 1988.

WILLIAM H. YOUNG

Director

NOTICE:

Judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within 60 days from the service (date of mailing) of this order. Judicial review is pursuant to the provisions of ORS 536.075.

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