# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the Completion of a Change	)	DETERMINATION OF SATISFACTORY
in Place of Use Under Transfer Application	)	PROOF OF COMPLETION FOR A
T-13344, Malheur County	)	PERMANENT DISTRICT TRANSFER

### Authority

Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 690-385-7400 describes the documentation the district must file with the Department in order to provide proof of use.

OAR 690-385-7600 provides in pertinent part that satisfactory proof shall be (a) a determination by the Department that application of water to beneficial use under the terms of the transfer final order was completed to the extent authorized, or (b) a determination by the Department that the application of water to a beneficial use under the terms of the transfer final order was completed to an extent less than authorized.

Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 540.530(2)(a) and OAR 690-385-7600 authorize the Department to issue or modify a certificate of water right upon satisfactory proof of completion of the change or changes authorized by a final order approving a permanent district transfer.

#### Applicant

**OWHYHEE IRRIGATION DISTRICT** 422 THUNDEREGG BLVD NYSSA, OR 97913

#### **Findings of Fact**

- 1. On July 23, 2020, the Department signed a final order, which was mailed on January 24. 2020, and recorded in Special Order Volume 117, Pages 82-87, approving Transfer Application T-13344 involving Certificate 75691. The final order established October 1, 2021, as the date for completion of the authorized changes in place of use.
- 2. On October 4, 2021, the Department received a Claim of Beneficial Use (CBU) and associated maps from the applicant for Transfer Application T-13344 satisfying the requirements for providing proof of use under OAR 690-385-7400.

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

This is an order in other than a contested case. This order is subject to judicial review under ORS 183.482. Any petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60-day time period specified by ORS 183.482. Pursuant to ORS 183.482, ORS 536.075 and OAR 137-003-0675, you may petition for judicial review and 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.

- 3. On October 27, 2021, Owyhee Irrigation District amended their CBU thereby satisfying the requirements for providing proof of use under OAR 690-385-7400.
- 4. The Department reviewed the CBU and maps submitted by the applicant for Transfer Application T- 13344.
- 5. The CBU did not contain a map of the point of diversion from the source. However, since the transfer involved the transfer of places of use only within an irrigation district and did not involve a change in the point of diversion, the existing maps on file with the Department are sufficient to identify the point of diversion from the source.
- 6. The proposed place of use for Certificate 75691 as approved the final order for Transfer Application T-13344, and as recorded in Special Order 117, Pages 82-87 is shown in Table 1, below:

Table 1:

IRRIGATION									
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres	Tax Lot	Water User	Notice	
16 S	47 E	WM	20	NW SE	2.5	7400	HUNTER	19-72700	
16 S	47 E	WM	28	NE NE	31.7	100	MORNING LIGHT FARMS	19-68801	
16 S	47 E	WM	28	NW NE	24.7	100	MORNING LIGHT FARMS	19-68801	
16 S	47 E	WM	28	SW NE	38.3	100	MORNING LIGHT FARMS	19-68801	
16 S	47 E	WM	28	SE NE	37.1	100	MORNING LIGHT FARMS	19-68801	
16 S	47 E	WM	28	SW SE	1.0	1100	TURPEN	19-71102	
16 S	47 E	WM	29	NE SW	2.4	13800	• BR FARMS	19-71200	
16 S	47 E	WM	29	SE SW	1.2	13800	BR FARMS	19-71200	
17 S	47 E	WM	19	NE SE	2.5	600	ROGER	19-60600	
19 S	46 E	WM	14	SW NE	3.5	500	KESLER	19-36200	
19 S	46 E	WM	28	SW NW	1.0	5400	MAUTZ	19-29300	
19 S	46 E	WM	28	· SE NW	9.9	5400	MAUTZ	19-29300	
19 S	46 E	WM	28	NE SW	9.6	5400	MAUTZ	19-29300	
20 S	45 E	.WM	13	SE SW	2.4	700	MAY	19-21600	
20 S	46 E	WM	23	NE NE	5.8	400	BROWN	19-27900	
20 S	46 E	WM.	23	NW NE	6.7	400	BROWN	19-27900	
				Total:	180.3				

7. Based on the review of evidence submitted by the applicant, the Department finds that the application of water to beneficial use under the terms of the transfer final order for T-13344 was completed to the extent authorized in the transfer as described in Table 1, above.

#### **Conclusions of Law**

- 1. The Applicant has submitted proof of use pursuant to OAR 690-385-7400.
- 2. Application of water to a beneficial use under the terms of the transfer final order has been made to the extent shown in Table 1, above.
- 3. The applicant has demonstrated proof of completion under T-13344 to the satisfaction of the Department.
- 4. The Department is authorized to issue or modify certificates of water rights involved in transfer T-13344 consistent with this determination of satisfactory proof of completion.

## Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:

1. Water right Certificate 75691 is modified as shown in Table 1, above. The Department will issue a superseding certificate describing the right when it determines it is necessary for record keeping.

Signed at Salem, Oregon on \_\_\_\_\_

Lisar. Jaramillo Transfer and Conservation Section Manager for

THOMAS M. BYLER, DIRECTOR

**Oregon Water Resources Department** 

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