

**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-12731, 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**

VALE OREGON IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
521 A ST WEST  
VALE, OR 97918

**Findings of Fact**

1. On December 22, 2017, the Department signed a final order, which was mailed on January 5, 2018, and recorded in Special Order Volume 107, Pages 331-334, approving Transfer Application T-12731 involving Certificates 74080 and 74081. The final order established October 1, 2019, as the date for completion of the authorized changes in place of use.
2. On September 21, 2020, the Department received a Claim of Beneficial Use (CBU) and associated maps from the applicant for Transfer Application T-12731 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. The Department reviewed the CBU and maps submitted by the applicant for Transfer Application T- 12731.
4. 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.
5. The proposed place of use for Certificate 74080 as approved the final order for Transfer Application T-12731, and as recorded in Special Order Volume 107, Pages 331-334 is shown in Table 1, below:

**Table 1:**

IRRIGATION								
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres	Tax Lot	Water User	Notice
18 S	44 E	WM	25	NW NW	5.1	900	DENTINGER FEED & SEED CO.	38
18 S	44 E	WM	25	SE NW	1.3	900	DENTINGER FEED & SEED CO.	38
<b>Total:</b>					<b>6.4</b>			

6. The proposed place of use for Certificate 74081 as approved the final order for Transfer Application T-12731, and as recorded in Special Order Volume 107, Pages 331-334 is shown in Table 2, below:

**Table 2:**

SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION								
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres	Tax Lot	Water User	Notice
18 S	44 E	WM	25	NW NW	5.1	900	DENTINGER FEED & SEED CO.	38
18 S	44 E	WM	25	SE NW	1.3	900	DENTINGER FEED & SEED CO.	38
<b>Total:</b>					<b>6.4</b>			

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-12731 was completed to the extent authorized in the transfer as described in Tables 1 and 2, 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 Tables 1, and 2, above.
3. The applicant has demonstrated proof of completion under T-12731 to the satisfaction of the Department.

