# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application	)	FINAL ORDER APPROVING
T-12018, Polk County	)	TEMPORARY CHANGES IN PLACE
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	)	OF USE AND POINTS OF DIVERSION

## **Authority**

Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 540.505 to 540.580 establish the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to temporarily transfer the place of use and, if necessary to convey the water to the temporary place of use, the point of diversion authorized under an existing water right.

Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) Chapter 690, Division 380 implements the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating transfer applications.

# **Applicant**

OLSEN AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES 8930 SUVER RD MONMOUTH, OR 97361

### **Findings of Fact**

- 1. On March 30, 2015, OLSEN AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES filed an application to temporarily change the place of use and change the points of diversion to serve the proposed place of use under Certificates 10645, 22676, 26647, 42535, and 89189 for a period of four (4) years. The Department assigned the application number T-12018.
- 2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on April 7, 2015, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- 3. On July 10, 2014, Temporary Transfers T-11825 and T-11826 were approved (Special Order Volume 95, pages 998-1003 and 992-997 respectively). Those temporary transfers involved a portion of the same place of use and points of diversion described in this application and is in effect for five years, ending at the end of the 2018 irrigation season or until terminated by order of the Department.

This is a final order in other than a contested case. This order is subject to judicial review under ORS 183.484. Any petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60-day time period specified by ORS 183.484(2). Pursuant to ORS 536.075 and OAR 137-004-0080, 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.

4. On March 30, 2015, the Department received a letter from OLSEN AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES requesting to terminate Temporary Transfers T-11825 and T-11826 upon approval of Temporary Transfers T-12018 and T-12019.

5. The portion of the first right to be temporarily transferred is as follows:

**Certificate:** 10645 in the name of ERNEST ZIELESCH (perfected under Permit S-8689)

Use: IRRIGATION of 18.80 ACRES

**Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 19, 1928** 

Rate: 0.24 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, shall be limited to

ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second per acre.

Source: LUCKIAMUTE RIVER a tributary of WILLAMETTE RIVER

## **Authorized Points of Diversion:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q
9 S	4 W	WM	20	NE SW
9 S	4 W	WM	29	NW NW

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

	IRRIGATION								
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres				
9 S	4 W	WM	20	NE SW	10.00				
9 S									
			,	Total acres:	18.80				

6. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the right to:

	IRRIGATION										
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres					
9 S	4 W	WM	29	SE SW	69	0.05					
9 S	4 W	WM	29	SW SE	69	1.45					
9 S	4 W	WM	29	SE SE	69	0.50					
9 S	4 W	WM	31	NE SE	58	13.10					
9 S	4 W	WM	31	NW SE	58	3.70					
	Total acres: 18.80										

7. A change in points of diversion is necessary to convey the water to the proposed temporary place of use. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to move the authorized points of diversion downstream approximately 1.0 and 1.1 miles to:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances	
9 S	4 W	WM	29	NE SW	46	PPOD 1: 1000 FEET NORTH AND 100 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF DLC 46	
9 S	4 W	WM	30	NE SE	46	PPOD 2: 1640 FEET NORTH AND 125 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 30	

The portion of the second right to be temporarily transferred is as follows:

Certificate:

22676 in the name of E. H. LORENCE (perfected under Permit S-19640)

Use:

**IRRIGATION of 47.64 ACRES** 

Priority Date: DECEMBER 9, 1949

Rate:

0.60 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, shall be limited to ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 2.5 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation

season of each year.

Source:

LUCKIAMUTE RIVER a tributary of WILLAMETTE RIVER

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

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
9 S	5 W	WM	24	NE NW	62	WITHIN NEALLY DLC 62

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

	IRRIGATION										
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	GLot	DLC	Acres				
9 S	5 W	WM	24	NE NW	1		2.40				
9 S	5 W	WM	24	NE NW		62	3.20				
9 S	5 W	WM	24	NW NW		62	2.55				
9 S	5 W	WM	24	SW NW	3		2.40				
9 S	5 W	WM	24	SW NW		62	21.90				
9 S	5 W	WM	24	SE NW		62	1.40				
9 S	5 W	WM	24	SE NW	2		13.79				
	Total acres:										

9. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the right to:

	IRRIGATION										
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres					
9 S	4 W	WM	29	SE SW	69	0.70					
9 S	4 W	WM	29	SW SE	69	13.84					
9 S	4 W	WM	29	SE SE	69	3.80					
9 S	4 W	WM	31	NW SE	58	7.00					
9 S	4 W	WM	31	SW SE	58	22.30					
	Total acres: 47.64										

10. A change in point of diversion is necessary to convey the water to the proposed temporary place of use. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to move the authorized point of diversion downstream approximately 2.5 miles to PPOD 1 and 2.3 miles to PPOD 2 to:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
9 S	4 W	WM	29	NE SW	46	PPOD 1: 1000 FEET NORTH AND 100 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF DLC 46
9 S	4 W	WM	30	NE SE	46	PPOD 2: 1640 FEET NORTH AND 125 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 30

11. The portion of the third right to be temporarily transferred is as follows:

Certificate:

26647 in the name of E. H. LORENCE (perfected under Permit S-22946)

Use:

**IRRIGATION of 30.17 ACRES** 

Priority Date: MAY 24, 1954

Rate:

0.37 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, shall be limited to

ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 2.5 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation

season of each year.

Source:

LUCKIAMUTE RIVER a tributary of WILLAMETTE RIVER

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

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
9 S	5 W	WM	24	NE NW	62	WITHIN NEALLY DLC #62

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

			IRRIG	ATION			
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	GLot	DLC	Acres
9 S	5 W	WM	23	SE NE		62	1.00
9 S	5 W	WM	23	NE SE		62	2.66
9 S	5 W	WM	24	SW NW	3		4.60
9 S	5 W	WM	24	SW NW		62	7.80
9 S	5 W	WM	24	SE NW	2		6.61
9 S	5 W	WM	24	NW SW		62	7.50
					Tota	al acres:	30.17

12. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the right to:

	IRRIGATION								
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres			
9 S	4 W	WM	31	SE SE	58	24.10			
9 S	4 W	WM	31	SE SE	59	6.07			
				Tota	al acres:	30.17			

13. A change in point of diversion is necessary to convey the water to the proposed temporary place of use. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to move the authorized point of diversion downstream approximately 2.5 miles to PPOD 1 and 2.3 miles to PPOD 2 to:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
9 S	4 W	WM	29	NE SW	46	PPOD 1: 1000 FEET NORTH AND 100 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF DLC 46
9 S	4 W	WM	30	NE SE	46	PPOD 2: 1640 FEET NORTH AND 125 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 30

14. The portion of the fourth right to be temporarily transferred is as follows:

Certificate:

42535 in the name of PHILIP D. AND DELIA M. SPERLING (perfected

under Permit S-33441)

Use:

**IRRIGATION of 102.20 ACRES** 

**Priority Date:** 

APRIL 5, 1968

Rate:

1.28 CUBIC FEET PER SECOND, BEING 0.83 CFS FROM UNNAMED

STREAM AND 0.45 CFS FROM LUCKIAMUTE RIVER with any deficiency in the available supply from the unnamed stream to be made up by appropriation from Luckiamute River provided that the total quantity

diverted from both sources shall not exceed 1.28 cfs.

Limit/Duty:

The amount of water used for irrigation, together with the amount secured

under any other right existing for the same lands, shall be limited to

ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 2.5 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation

season of each year.

Source:

UNNAMED STREAM and LUCKIAMUTE RIVER a tributary of

WILLAMETTE RIVER

### **Authorized Points of Diversion:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	GLot	DLC	Measured Distances
0.5	4 W	WM	17	NE SW			UNNAMED STR: 1000 FEET SOUTH
9 S	4 W	WIVI	17	NESW			AND 1420 FEET EAST FROM THE NE CORNER OF STEEPROW DLC 61
							UNNAMED STR: 1980 FEET SOUTH
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SW SE	6		AND 1670 FEET EAST FROM THE NE
							CORNER OF STEEPROW DLC 61
							LUCKIAMUTE R: 2130 FEET SOUTH
9 S	4 W	WM	18	SE SW	2		AND 4280 FEET WEST FROM THE NE
							CORNER OF STEEPROW DLC 61
							LUCKIAMUTE R: 4500 FEET SOUTH
9 S	4 W	WM	20	SW NW		63	FROM THE NE CORNER OF
							STEEPROW DLC 61

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

			IRR)	IGATION			
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	GLot	DLC	Acres
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SW NE		43	28.30
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SE NE		43	3.00
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SE NW	1		1.60
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SE NW		43	2.30

			IRR	IGATION			
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	GLot	DLC	Acres
9 S	4 W	WM	17	NE SW			4.80
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SE SW	5		0.70
9 S	4 W	WM	17	NE SE			14.10
9 S	4 W	WM	17	NW SE			34.20
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SW SE	6		9.40
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SE SE	7		3.80
					Tota	al acres:	102.20

15. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the right to:

		IR	RIGAT	TION		
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres
9 S	4 W	WM	29	SE SW	69	0.47
9 S	4 W	WM	29	SW SE	69	5.80
9 S	4 W	WM	29	SE SE	69	1.60
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NE NE	69	11.00
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NW NE	69	40.00
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SW NE	69	9.50
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SE NE	69	1.50
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NE NW	69	5.20
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SE NW	69	0.80
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NE SW	59	3.73
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NW SW	59	5.70
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SW SW	59	10.70
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SE SW	59	6.20
				Tot	al acres:	102.20

16. A change in points of diversion is necessary to convey the water to the proposed temporary place of use. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to move the authorized points of diversion the approximate miles downstream as follows:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances	From 1 <sup>st</sup> POD	From 2 <sup>nd</sup> POD	From 3 <sup>rd</sup> POD	From 4 <sup>th</sup> POD
98	4 W	WM	29	NE SW	46	1000 FEET NORTH AND 100 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF DLC 46	2.0	1.8	2.0	1.3
9 S	4 W	WM	30	NE SE	46	1640 FEET NORTH AND 125 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 30	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.3

17. The fifth right to be temporarily transferred is as follows:

Certificate: 89189 in the name of PHILLIP AND DELIA SPERLING (perfected under

Permit S-37832)

Use: IRRIGATION of 126.00 ACRES

Priority Date: AUGUST 20, 1973

Rate: 1.58 CUBIC FEET 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 for each acre irrigated, and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 2.5 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each

year.

Source: LUCKIAMUTE RIVER, tributary of WILLAMETTE RIVER

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

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances		
9 S	4 W	WM	20	sw nw	63	2530 FEET SOUTH AND 30 FEET EAST FROM THE NW CORNER OF VANDERPOOL DLC 63		

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

			IRRIG	ATION			
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	GLot	DLC	Acres
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SW NW	2		0.70
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SE NW	1		8.00
9 S	4 W	WM	17	NE SW			24.00
9 S	4 W	WM	17	NW SW	3		7.80
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SW SW	4		1.20
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SW SW		63	7.00
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SE SW	5		7.10
9 S	4 W	WM	17	SE SW		63	25.00
9 S	4 W	WM	20	NE NW		63	30.40
9 S	4 W	WM	20	NW NW		63	7.50
9 S	4 W	WM	20	SE NW		63	7.30
					Tota	al acres:	126.00

18. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the right to:

		IRR	IGATI	ON		
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres
9 S	4 W	WM	31	SW SW	59	3.20
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SW NE	69	30.50
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SE NE	69	10.50
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SE NW	69	7.90
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NE SW	69	6.10
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NE SW	59	3.00
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NW SW	59	4.20
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SW SW	59	21.50

		IRR	IGATI	ON		
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres
9 S	4 W	WM	32	SE SW	59	11.50
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NE SE	69	6.50
9 S	4 W	WM	32	NW SE	69	21.10
				Tota	al acres:	126.00

19. A change in point of diversion is necessary to convey the water to the proposed temporary place of use. Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 proposes to move the authorized point of diversion downstream approximately 1.0 and 1.1 miles to:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
9 S	4 W	WM	29	NE SW	46	PPOD 1: 1000 FEET NORTH AND 100 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF DLC 46
98	4 W	WM	30	NE SE	46	PPOD 2: 1640 FEET NORTH AND 125 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 30

20. Before Temporary Transfers T-12018 and T-12019 can be approved, Temporary Transfers T-11825 and T-11826 must expire or be terminated by order of the Department.

# Temporary Transfer Review Criteria

- 21. Water has been used within the last five years according to the terms and conditions of the rights. There is no evidence available that would demonstrate that the rights are subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
- 22. A pump, pipeline, and sprinkler system sufficient to use the full amount of water allowed under the existing rights are present.
- 23. The proposed changes, as conditioned, would not result in enlargement of the rights.
- 24. The proposed changes would not result in injury to other water rights. This finding is made through an abbreviated review recognizing that the transfer may be revoked under ORS 540.523(5) if the Department later finds that the transfer is causing injury to any existing water right.

#### **Conclusions of Law**

The temporary changes in place of use and points of diversion to convey water to the temporary place of use proposed in Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 are consistent with the requirements of ORS 540.523 and OAR 690-380-8000.

### Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:

- 1. Temporary Transfers T-11825 and T-11826 are terminated. The Final Orders entered at Special Order Volume 95, pages 998-1003 and 992-997, are of no further force or effect.
- 2. The temporary changes in place of use and points of diversion to convey water to the temporary places of use proposed in Temporary Transfer Application T-12018 are approved.

- 3. The former places of use **shall not** be irrigated as part of these water rights during the 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 irrigation seasons.
- 4. The use shall revert to the authorized places of use at the end of the 2018 irrigation season.
- 5. The approval of this temporary transfer may be revoked or modified if the Department finds the changes cause injury to any existing water right.
- 6. A subsequent application for permanent transfer of Certificates 10645, 22676, 26647, 42535, and 89189 shall be subject to a full and complete review to determine consistency with the requirements of OAR Chapter 690, Division 380. Approval of this temporary transfer does not establish a precedent for approval of a subsequent application filed for a permanent transfer.
- 7. The use of water at the temporary places of use authorized by this transfer shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Certificates 10645, 22676, 26647, 42535, and 89189.
- 8. The time during which water is used under this approved temporary transfer does not apply toward a finding of forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
- 9. The use of the remaining water rights described by Certificates 10645, 22676, 26647, and 42535 shall continue to be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Certificates 10645, 22676, 26647, and 42535.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this day of May, 2015.
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Dwight French, Water Right Services Administrator, for
Thomas M. Byler, Director
Oregon Water Resources Department

Mailing Date: MAY 13 2015