

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

In the Matter of Instream Lease Application    )    DETERMINATION and  
IL-847, Certificate 74197, Deschutes            )    FINAL ORDER ON PROPOSED  
County    )    INSTREAM LEASE

**Authority**

ORS 537.348 establishes the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to lease an existing water right for instream purposes. OAR Chapter 690, Division 077 implements the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating instream lease applications.

**Lessor #1**

Marjorie Miller  
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**Lessor #2**

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**Lessee**

Deschutes River Conservancy (DRC)  
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Bend, Oregon 97709  
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**Findings of Fact**

1. On April 9, 2012, Marjorie Miller, AID and the DRC filed an application to renew instream lease IL-847, involving a portion of Certificate 74197 for instream use.
2. The portion of the right to be leased is as follows:

**Certificate:** 74197

**Use:** Irrigation of 4.5 acres

**Season of Use:** April 1 to November 1, further limited as follows:

April 1 to May 1 and Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 described herein as Season 1

May 1 to May 15 and Sept. 15 to Oct. 1 described herein as Season 2

May 15 to Sept. 15 described herein as Season 3

**Priority Date:** February 1, 1905 and April 25, 1905

**Quantity:** Rate: Season 1 (limited to 1/51<sup>st</sup> Cubic Foot per Second (CFS) per acre)  
Season 2 (limited to 1/39<sup>th</sup> cfs per acre)  
Season 3 (limited to 1/20.8<sup>th</sup> cfs per acre)

Duty: limited to 15.42 acre-feet per acre

This is a final order in other than 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 either 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.

The listed quantities reflect allowance of a 65% canal transmission loss as determined by decree of the Circuit Court of Deschutes County, dated March 24, 1933. Direct diversions are not allowed this transmission loss.

**Source:** Deschutes River, tributary to the Columbia River

**Authorized Point of Diversion (POD):**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
18 S	11 E	WM	27	NE SW	ARNOLD CANAL POD #1 – 2800 FEET SOUTH & 3740 FEET WEST FROM THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 27

**Authorized Place of Use:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Tax Lot	Acres
18 S	12 E	WM	9	SW NW	1200	4.5

- Certificate 74197 is a deficient water right. If water were diverted simultaneously to all authorized lands and uses described in the right at the maximum rates and duty allowed (described in Finding of Fact #2), the total rate and duty for the water right would be exceeded. In the event water were diverted simultaneously to all authorized lands and uses described in the right at the maximum rates and duty allowed at the POD (described in Finding of Fact #2), the portion of the right involved in this instream lease would be limited as described in the tables below. These rates and duty are also the quantities by which the diversion at POD #1 (Arnold Canal) under Certificate 74197 shall be reduced, if this instream lease is approved.

Priority Date	Season 1	Season 2	Season 3	Duty
February 1, 1905	0.026 CFS	0.026 CFS	0.026 CFS	69.39 AF
April 25, 1905	0.063 CFS	0.090 CFS	0.128 CFS	
Totals	0.088 CFS	0.115 CFS	0.154 CFS	

- The lease application includes the information required under OAR 690-077-0076(3). The Department provided notice of the lease application pursuant to OAR 690-077-0077(1). No comments were received.

**5. The instream use is as follows:**

Deschutes River, tributary to the Columbia River

**Instream Reach #1:** From the POD #1 (as described in Finding of Fact #2) to Lake Billy Chinook

Certificate	Priority Date	Season 1	Season 2	Season 3	Total Instream Volume
74197	February 1, 1905	0.009 CFS	0.009 CFS	0.009 CFS	3.81 AF
	April 25, 1905	0.022 CFS	0.031 CFS	0.045 CFS	15.47 AF
	Totals	0.031 CFS	0.040 CFS	0.054 CFS	19.29 AF

- Other conditions to prevent injury and enlargement are:

The amount of water to be leased instream under Certificate 74197 does not include a 65% transmission loss associated with this right when used for its originally authorized purpose. The transmission loss may not be leased and protected instream.

- There is a supplemental water right, Certificate 76714, appurtenant to all or a portion of the lands described in Finding of Fact # 2. The Lessor and Lessee have requested that this water

right not be included as part of this lease application. During the term of the lease, water use under this right will also be suspended.

8. If approved, this instream lease is not reasonably expected to significantly affect land use as prescribed by ORS 197.180, OAR Chapter 660, Divisions 30 and 31, and OAR Chapter 690, Division 5.
9. Based upon review of the application, comments received, information provided by the Department's Watermaster, and other available information, the Department finds that the lease will not result in injury or enlargement. This finding is made through an abbreviated review recognizing that the lease may be modified or revoked under OAR 690-077-0077 if the Department later finds that the lease is causing injury to any existing water right or enlargement of the original right.
10. If a right which has been leased is later proposed to be leased again or transferred to an instream use under ORS 537.348 and OAR 690-077-0070 or OAR 690-077-0075 a new injury review shall be required. Transfers will be subject to a full and complete review to determine consistency with the requirements of OAR Chapter 690, Division 380 and Division 077. Approval of this lease does not establish a precedent for approval of future leases or transfers.
11. The Lessor has requested that the lease terminate on October 31, 2012.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Department concludes that the lease will not result in injury or enlargement, OAR 690-077-0077. The lease conforms to the applicable provisions of OAR 690-077-0015.

### ORDER

Therefore, it is ORDERED:

1. That the Lease as described herein is APPROVED.
2. The former place of use will no longer receive water as part of these rights, any supplemental rights (including Certificate 76714), or any other layered water rights for irrigation use, including ground water registrations during the term of the lease.
3. The lease will terminate on October 31, 2012.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 20 day of June, 2012.

  
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Dwight French, Water Right Services Administrator, for  
PHILLIP C. WARD, DIRECTOR

JUN 20 2012

Mailing date: \_\_\_\_\_

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