BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application)	FINAL ORDER APPROVING
T-10875, Umatilla County)	A DISTRICT TEMPORARY
)	TRANSFER

Authority

ORS 540.570 establishes the process in which a district may submit a request to temporarily transfer a water right within district boundaries. OAR Chapter 690, Division 385 implements the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating district transfer applications.

Applicant

WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT P.O. BOX 100 IRRIGON, OR 97844

Findings of Fact

Background

- 1. On May 11, 2009, WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT filed an application to temporarily change the place of use under Certificates 79924, 79926, 79928, 79929 and 79930 for a period of one year. The Department assigned the application number T-10875.
- 2. On July 10, 2009, the Department received amendments correcting the transfer maps and application. Pursuant to OAR 690-385-3110, West Extension Irrigation District specified water use on the "FROM" lands and proposed "TO" lands under existing Certificates 44107, 62156, 79940, 82169, 53069 and Permit G-12054 will not be used or transferred during the course of the 2009 Irrigation Season, and are fully described in Findings of Facts #6, #8, #11 and #14.
- 3. The portion of the FIRST primary right and its layered supplemental water right to be transferred are as follows:

Certificate: 79924 in the name of WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT (confirmed by the Umatilla River Decree)

Use: IRRIGATION of 31.1 ACRES **Priority Date:** APRIL 14, 1893

Rate: 0.39 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND (cfs)

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 60days following the date the petition was filed, the petition shall be deemed denied.

Source: UMATILLA RIVER, a tributary of the COLUMBIA RIVER

Authorized Point of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances			
5 N	28 E	WM	28	sw sw	1100 FEET NORTH AND 520 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 28			

Certificate: 79929 in the name of WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT

(perfected under Permit S-33883)

Use: SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION of 31.1 ACRES

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 12, 1968

Rate/Duty: 0.33 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND (cfs), limited to ONE-FORTIETH of one cfs per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated and shall be further limited to a

diversion on not to exceed 4.5 ACRE-FEET per acre for each acre irrigated

Source: COLUMBIA RIVER, tributary to the PACIFIC OCEAN

Authorized Points of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances			
5 N	28 E	WM	17	NW SW	1900 FEET NORTH AND 150 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 17			
5 N	28 E	WM	10	NW SE	2150 FEET NORTH AND 3500 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 10			

Authorized Places of Use:

	IRRIGATION (IR) and SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION (IS)											
Taum	Dag	Max	Can	Q - Q Tax Lot Certificate Certificate	User							
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Tax Lot	Certificate 79924 (IR)		Osci				
5 N	26 E	WM	36	NE SW	400	10.50	10.50	McNamee				
5 N	26 E	WM	36	SE SW	400	6.30	6.30	McNamee				
5 N	26 E	WM	36	NW SE	400	14.30	14.30	McNamee				

4. Transfer Application T-10875 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the rights to:

	IRRIGATION (IR) and SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION (IS)											
					ACRES							
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	Tax Lot	Certificate 79924 (IR)	Certificate 79929 (IS)	User				
5 N	26 E	WM	26	NE SW	400	0.25	0.25	McNamee				
5 N	26 E	WM	26	SE SW	400	20.25	20.25	McNamee				
5 N	26 E	WM	26	NW SE	400	1.60	1.60	McNamee				
5 N	26 E	WM	26	SW SE	400	9.00	9.00	McNamee				
					TOTAL:	31.1	31.1					

5. The portion of the SECOND primary right and its layered supplemental water right to be transferred are as follows:

Certificate: 79926, issued in the name of U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

(perfected under Permit S-408)

Use: IRRIGATION OF 36.4 ACRES **Priority Date:** MARCH 28, 1909

Rate & Duty: 2.61 CFS per acre and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 2.0 ACRE-FEET PER ACRE IN ANY 30 DAY PERIOD and NOT TO EXCEED 10.0 ACRE-FEET per acre throughout the irrigation season

Source: UMATILLA RIVER, a tributary of the COLUMBIA RIVER

Authorized Point of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	Measured Distances			
5 N	28 E	WM	28	SW SW	1100 FEET NORTH AND 520 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 28			

Certificate: 79929 in the name of WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT

(perfected under Permit S-33883)

Use: SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION of 34.4 ACRES

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 12, 1968

Rate/Duty: 0.37 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND (cfs), limited to ONE-FORTIETH of one cfs per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated and shall be further limited to a diversion on not to exceed 4.5 ACRE-FEET per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year

Source: COLUMBIA RIVER, tributary to the PACIFIC OCEAN

Authorized Points of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	Measured Distances		
5 N	20 5	3378.4	17	NW SW	1900 FEET NORTH AND 150 FEET EAST FROM THE SW		
3 N	28 E	WM	1 /	NW SW	CORNER OF SECTION 17		
5 N	28 E	WM	10	NW SE	2150 FEET NORTH AND 3500 FEET EAST FROM THE SW		
) N	28 E	WIVI	10	NW SE	CORNER OF SECTION 10		

Authorized Places of Use:

		RRIG	ATIO	N (IR) and S	UPPLEM	ENTAL IR	RIGATION	N (IS)
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	Tax Lot	ACI Certificate 79926 (IR)		User
4 N	24 E	WM	23	NE NE	100	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	24 E	WM	23	NW NE	200	0.25	0.25	Morrow County
4 N	24 E	WM	23	NE NW	300	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	24 E	WM	23	NW NW	400	0.15	0.15	Morrow County
4 N	24 E	WM	23	NW NW	401	0.10	0.10	Morrow County
4 N	24 E	WM	24	NE NE	100	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	24 E	WM	24	NW NE	200	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	24 E	WM	24	NE NW	300	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	24 E	WM	24	NW NW	400	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	24 E	WM	24	SW NW	500	20.0	20.0	Suter
4 N	24 E	WM	24	NW SW	500	1.40	1.40	Suter
4 N	25 E	WM	14	NE SE	1905	1.80	** 1.80	G. Neal
4 N	25 E	WM	14	NE SE	1906	1.80	** 1.80	G. Neal
4 N	25 E	WM	14	NE SE	1907	1.50	** 1.50	G. Neal
4 N	25 E	WM	19	NE NE	100	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	25 E	WM	19	NW NE	100	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	25 E	WM	19	NE NW	100	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	25 E	WM	19	NW NW	100	0.30	0.30	Morrow County
4 N	25 E	WM	19	NW NW	200	0.10	0.10	Morrow County
4 N	25 E	WM	19	NW NW	201	0.10	0.10	Morrow County

	IRRIGATION (IR) and SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION (IS)											
						ACI	RES					
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Tax Lot	Certificate 79926 (IR)		User				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NW NW	1000	0.10	0.10	Morrow County				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NW NW	1200	0.20	0.20	Morrow County				
5 N	26 E	WM	36	NE SW	400	1.70	*	McNamee				
5 N	26 E	WM	36	NW SE	400	0.30	*	McNamee				
5 N	26 E	WM	36	SW SE	400	3.90	3.90	McNamee				
					TOTAL:	36.40	34.40					

6. West Extension Irrigation District has stated in the transfer application that portions of water right Certificates 79940, 82169 and 53069 for supplemental irrigation, existing on the "FROM" lands will not be used or transferred during the term of this temporary transfer. The affected rights are described as follows:

	* Supplemental Irrigation Under Certificate 79940 - Portion not to be used during 2009 Irrigation Season									
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	TL	Acres				
5 N	26 E	WM	36	NE SW	400	1.7				
5 N	26 E	WM	36	NW SE	400	0.3				

Sup	** Primary Irrigation Under Certificate 82169 and Supplemental Irrigation Under Certificate 53069 - Portions not to be used during 2009 Irrigation Season									
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	TL	Acres				
4 N	25 E	WM	14	NE SE	1905	1.8				
4 N	25 E	WM	14	NE SE	1906	1.8				
4 N	25 E	WM	14	NE SE	1907	1.5				

7. Transfer Application T-10875 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the rights to:

	i	RRIG	ATIC	ON (IR) and	SUPPLEN	MENTAL II	RRIGATIO	N (IS)
						ACRES		
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	Tax Lot	Certificate 79926 (IR)		
4 N	24 E	WM	13	NW NW	I-84 RW	3.10	*3.10	ODOT Rest Area
4 N	24 E	WM	13	SW NW	1-84 RW	2.00	*2.00	ODOT Rest Area
4 N	25 E	WM	20	SW NE	7300	3.40	3.40	K. Smith
4 N	25 E	WM	20	SE NW	101	0.80	0.80	K. Smith
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NE SW	802	8.20	8.20	K. Smith
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NE SE	802	6.60	**6.60	K. Smith
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NW SE	802	6.40	**6.40	K. Smith
5 N	26 E	WM	26	SE SW	400	5.90	3.90	McNamee
					TOTAL:	36.40	34.40	

8. West Extension Irrigation District has stated in the transfer application that portions of water right Certificates 62156 and 44107 for primary irrigation and Permit G-12054 for supplemental irrigation existing on the "TO" lands will not be used or transferred during the term of this temporary transfer. The affected rights are described as follows:

* Primary Irrigation Under Certificate 62156 - Suppl. Irrigation Under Permit G-12054 - Portions not to be used during 2009 Irrigation Season									
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	TL	Acres			
4 N	24 E	WM	13	NW NW	400	3.1			
4 N 24 E WM 13 SW NW 400 2.0									

	** Primary Irrigation Under Certificate 44107 - Portion not to be used during 2009 Irrigation Season									
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	TL	Acres				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NE SE	802	6.60				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NW SE	802	6.40				

9. The portion of the THIRD primary right and its layered supplemental water right to be transferred are as follows:

Certificate: 79928, issued in the name of WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT

(perfected under Permit S-33883)
Use: IRRIGATION of 150.9 ACRES
Priority Date: September 12, 1968

Rate & Duty: 3.77 CUBIC FEET PER SECOND (cfs), limited to ONE-FORTIETH of one cfs and 4.5 acre-feet for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year

Source: UMATILLA RIVER, tributary to the COLUMBIA RIVER

Authorized Point of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q – Q	Measured Distances
5 N	28 E	WM	28	sw sw	1100 FEET NORTH AND 520 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 28

Certificate: 79929 in the name of WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT

(perfected under Permit S-33883)

Use: SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION of 150.9 ACRES

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 12, 1968

Rate/Duty: 1.59 CUBIC FEET PER SECOND (cfs), limited to ONE-FORTIETH of one cfs per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated and shall be further limited to a diversion on not to exceed 4.5 ACRE-FEET per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year

Source: COLUMBIA RIVER, tributary to the PACIFIC OCEAN

Authorized Points of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	Measured Distances				
5 N	28 E	WM	17	NW SW	1900 FEET NORTH AND 150 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 17				
5 N	28 E	WM	10	NW SE	2150 FEET NORTH AND 3500 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 10				

Authorized Places of Use:

		IRRIC	GATI	ON (IR) and	SUPPLE	MENTAL I	RRIGATIO	ON (IS)		
						ACI	RES			
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	Tax Lot	Certificate 79928 (IR)	Certificate 79929 (IS)	User		
4 N	25 E	WM	16	SW SW	500	0.10	0.10	Morrow County		
4 N	26 E	WM	4	NE NE	101	7.60	7.60	Kaizen Holdings		
4 N	26 E	WM	4	NW NE	101	8.60	8.60	Kaizen Holdings		
4 N	26 E	WM	4	SW NE	101	11.80	11.80	Kaizen Holdings		
4 N	26 E	WM	4	SE NE	101	12.00	12.00	Kaizen Holdings		
5 N	26 E	WM	36	SW SE	800	4.00	4.00	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	26 E	WM	36	SE SE	800	16.40	16.40	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	NE NE	100	14.90	14.90	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	NW NE	100	7.30	7.30	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	SW NE	100	9.60	9.60	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	SE NE	100	11.10	11.10	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	SE NW	100	3.70	3.70	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	NE SW	100	4.80	4.80	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	NW SW	100	11.10	11.10	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	SW SW	100	2.20	2.20	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	SE SW	100	7.50	7.50	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	SE SW	101	1.00	1.00	City of Irrigon		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	NE SE	100	4.60	4.60	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	NW SE	100	0.30	0.30	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	SW SE	100	4.30	4.30	Anacapa Land Co.		
5 N	27 E	WM	31	SE SE	100	8.00	8.00	Anacapa Land Co.		
TOTAL: 150.90 150.90										

10. Transfer Application T-10875 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the rights to:

	IRRIGATION (IR) and SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION (IS)											
		!				ACI	RES					
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q		Certificate 79928 (IR)		User				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NE SE	802	13.30	*13.30	K. Smith				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NW SE	802	32.70	*32.70	K. Smith				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	SW SE	802	32.40	*32.40	K. Smith				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	SE SE	802	32.50	*32.50	K. Smith				
4 N	26 E	WM	4	SW SE	201	1.50	1.50	Kaizen Holdings				
4 N	26 E	WM	4	SE SE	201	18.20	18.20	Kaizen Holdings				
4 N	26 E	WM	9	NE NE	100	18.80	18.80	Kaizen Holdings				
4 N	26 E	WM	9	NW NE	100	1.50	1.50	Kaizen Holdings				
	TOTAL: 150.90 150.90											

11. As part of transfer application T-10875, West Extension Irrigation District stated that a portion of water right Certificate 44107 for primary irrigation, existing on the "TO" lands will not be used or transferred during the term of this temporary transfer. The affected right is described as follows:

* Primary Irrigation Under Certificate 44107 - Portion not to be used during 2009 Irrigation Season										
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	TL	Acres				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NE SE	802	13.30				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NW SE	802	32.70				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	SW SE	802	32.40				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	SE SE	802	32.50				

The portion of the FOURTH primary right and its layered supplemental water right to be transferred are as follows:

Certificate: 79930, issued in the name of WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT

(perfected under Permit S-33883)
Use: IRRIGATION OF 12.5 ACRES
Priority Date: FEBRUARY 26, 1969

Rate & Duty: 0.31 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND (cfs), limited to ONE-FORTIETH of one cfs and 4.5 acre-feet for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year

Source: UMATILLA RIVER, tributary to the COLUMBIA RIVER

Authorized Point of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q – Q	Measured Distances
5 N	28 E	WM	28	SW SW	1100 FEET NORTH AND 520 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 28

Certificate: 79929 in the name of WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT

(perfected under Permit 33883)

Use: SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION of 12.5 ACRES

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 12, 1968

Rate/Duty: 0.13 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND (cfs), limited to ONE-FORTIETH of one cfs per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated and shall be further limited to a diversion on not to exceed 4.5 ACRE-FEET per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year

Source: COLUMBIA RIVER, tributary to the PACIFIC OCEAN

Authorized Points of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	Measured Distances
5 N	28 E	WM	17	NW SW	1900 FEET NORTH AND 150 FEET EAST FROM THE SW
	202				CORNER OF SECTION 17
5 N	28 E	WM	10	NW SE	2150 FEET NORTH AND 3500 FEET EAST FROM THE SW
3 18	20 E	W IVI	10	INW SE	CORNER OF SECTION 10

Authorized Places of Use:

	IRRIGATION (IR) and SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION (IS)									
						ACI				
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	Tax Lot	Certificate				
						79930 (IR)	79929 (IS)			
4 N	25 E	WM	13	SW SW	400	12.50	12.50	Bailey		

13. Transfer Application T-10875 proposes to temporarily change the place of use of the rights to:

	IRRIGATION (IR) and SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION (IS)									
Twp Rng Mer Sec Q-Q Tax Lot ACRES Certificate Certificate 79930 (IR) 79929						Certificate	User			
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NE SE	802	12.50	*12.50	K. Smith		

14. West Extension Irrigation District has stated in the transfer application that a portion of water right Certificate 44107 for primary irrigation, existing on the "TO" lands, will not be used or transferred during the term of this temporary transfer. The affected right is as follows:

	* Primary Irrigation Under Certificate 44107 - Portion not to be used during 2009 Irrigation Season									
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q - Q	TL	Acres				
4 N	25 E	WM	20	NE SE	802	12.50				

- 15. Notice of the application for transfer was published on May 26, 2009, pursuant to ORS 540.570 and OAR 690-385-3400. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- 16. Water has been used within the last five years according to the terms and conditions of the rights and there is no information in the record that would demonstrate that the rights are subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
- 17. Diversion structures, pumps, canals, pipeline, and sprinkler systems sufficient to use the full amount of water allowed under the existing rights are present.
- 18. The water rights are subject to transfer as defined in OAR 690-385-0100(17).
- 19. The proposed changes would not result in enlargement of the rights.
- 20. 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 540.570(6) if the Department later finds that the transfer is causing injury to any existing water right.
- 21. The district temporary transfer application satisfies the criteria of OAR 690-385-3000, contains the information required under OAR 690-385-2000, and includes maps meeting the requirements of OAR 690-385-2200.

Conclusions of Law

The temporary changes in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-10875 are consistent with the requirements of ORS 540.570 and OAR 690-385-3000.

Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:

- 1. The proposed, temporary changes to the water rights evidenced by Certificates 79924, 79926, 79928, 79929 and 79930 are approved.
- 2. The temporary transfer is effective for the 2009 irrigation season.

- 3. The former places of use **shall not** be irrigated as part of these water rights during the 2009 irrigation season.
- 4. At the end of the 2009 irrigation season all use of water under this temporary transfer shall automatically revert to the terms and conditions of the original water right permit, certificates or adjudication as evidenced by a court decree.
- 5. The use of water under this temporary transfer may be conditioned or revoked at any time to the extent necessary to avoid injury if the Department finds the transfer causes injury to any existing water right.
- 6. A subsequent application for permanent transfer of Certificates 79924, 79926, 79928, 79929 and 79930 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 place of use authorized by this transfer shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Certificates 79924, 79926, 79928, 79929 and 79930.
- 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 portions of Certificates 44107, 62156, 79940, 82169 53069 and water use Permit G-12054 described in Findings of Fact #6, #8, #11 and #14 will not be used or transferred during the 2009 irrigation season.
- 10. The use of the remaining water rights described by Certificates 79924, 79926, 79928, 79929 and 79930 shall continue to be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Certificates 79924, 79926, 79928, 79929 and 79930.
- 11. The water user shall maintain and operate the existing measurement devices and shall make such improvements as may be required by the Department.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 27 day of August, 2009.

Phillip C. Ward, Director

Mailing Date: AUG 3 1 2009