

BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DIRECTOR OF OREGON

JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF PARTIAL PERFECTION OF)
WATER RIGHT PERMIT R-1118 IN THE NAME)
OF THE CITY OF MEDFORD)

ORDER

STATEMENT

On December 27, 2010, the Water Resources Department received a request from the City of Medford to partially perfect the use of water under water right permit R-1118.

FINDINGS OF FACT

Permit R-1118 allows for the storage of 10,000 acre feet (af) from Willow Creek and Four Bit Creek in the Rogue River Basin, appropriated under Permit S-20177.

The City of Medford has requested partial perfection of Permit R-1118 and issuance of a water right certificate. The request was accompanied by the survey required under ORS 537.230(4). The survey shows, to the satisfaction of the Director, that the appropriation has been partially perfected in accordance with the provision of the Water Rights Act.

ORS 537.260 allows, without loss of priority or cancellation to the permit, the incremental perfection of the water right permit in an amount of not less than 25 percent, pursuant to ORS 537.260 and OAR 690-320-0040.

The Department finds that the City of Medford has perfected 8,320 af. The quantity of water is equal or greater than the 25 percent of the original quantity of water allowed under permit R-1118.

OAR 690-320-0040(5) allows municipal suppliers that incrementally perfect less than the full quantity of water to request further extension of time to complete construction and apply water to beneficial use for the remaining, unperfected quantity of water.

As of the date of this order, the City of Medford has a pending permit extension of time.

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

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.

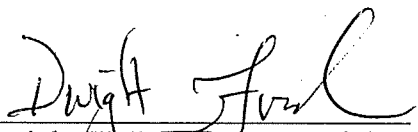
ULTIMATE FINDING OF FACT

The City of Medford is now entitled to a certificate in the amount of 8,320 af. The Director has determined the permittee has complied with the requirements to partially perfect permit R-1118 pursuant to ORS 537.250 and 537.260.

ORDER

The Department finds that there is 1,680 af remaining to be perfected and that a certificate in the amount of 8,320 af be issued to the City of Medford.

Dated April 14, 2011



Dwight W. French, Water Right Services Administrator, for
Phillip C. Ward, Director
Water Resources Department