# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application	)	FINAL ORDER APPROVING A
T-12253, Umatilla County	)	DISTRICT PERMANENT TRANSFER

### **Authority**

ORS 540.570 and 540.580 establishes the process in which a district may submit a request to 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**

HERMISTON IRRIGATION DISTRICT 366 E. HURLBURT AVE. HERMISTON, OR 97838

## **Findings of Fact**

- 1. On December 28, 2015, Hermiston Irrigation District filed a district transfer application to permanently change the place of use under Certificate 89006. The Department assigned the application number T-12253.
- 2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on January 5, 2016, and on January 26, 2015, pursuant to ORS 540.580 and OAR 690-385-4400. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- The portion of the right to be transferred is as follows:

Certificate: 89006 in the name of UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAIMATION (confirmed by decree and entered in the Order Record Volume 3, at Page 127)

Use: Primary and Supplemental Irrigation of 3.42 acres

Priority Date: September 6, 1905 and February 25, 1904

Season of Use: The diversion of water from the Umatilla River for irrigation is limited

to the irrigation season between March 1 and November 1 of each year.

Limit/Duty: For those lands comprised of loam or fine sand or fine textured soil, the amount of water diverted 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) and 3.0 acre-feet (af) for each acre irrigated each year.

Source: Umatilla River and Cold Springs Reservoir, tributaries of the Columbia River

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

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Description/Measured Distances	
4 N	29 E	WM	3	SE NW	A-CANAL: 1490 FEET SOUTH AND 2840 FEET EAST FROM THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SETION 3

This is an 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.

#### **Authorized Places of Use:**

PRIMARY AND SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION											
Priority Date	Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Tax Lot	AF/Acre	Acres	Water User Notice		
9/6/1905	4 N	28 E	WM	15	NW SW	301	6.0	1.00	Derbyshire 2015-01		
9/6/1905	4 N	28 E	WM	15	NE NW	600	6.0	0.42	Derbyshire 2015-01		
9/6/1905	5 N	28 E	WM	21	NW SW	1201	6.0	2.00	Parkins 2015-02		
							Total	3.42			

4. Transfer Application T-12253 proposes to change the place of use to:

### **Proposed Place of Use:**

PRIMARY AND SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION											
Priority Date	Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Tax Lot	AF/Acre	Acres	Water User	Notice	
9/6/1905	4 N	29 E	WM	5	NE NW	301	6.0	1.42	Simmons	2015-01	
9/6/1905	5 N	28 E	WM	28	NW NE	600	6.0	2.00	Parkins	2015-02	
							Total	3.42			

- 5. The District permanent transfer application satisfies the criteria of OAR 690-385-4000, contains the information required under OAR 690-385-2000, and includes maps meeting the requirements of OAR 690-385-2200.
- 6. The water right is subject to transfer as defined in OAR 690-385-0100(17).
- 7. The proposed change in place of use would not result in enlargement of the right.
- 8. The proposed change in place of use will not result in injury to other water rights.

### **Conclusions of Law**

The change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-12253 satisfies the requirements of ORS 540.574(3) and 540.580.

### Now, therefore, it is ORDERED:

- 1. The proposed change in place of use is approved.
- 2. The right to the use of the water is restricted to beneficial use at the place of use described and is subject to all other conditions and limitations contained in Certificate 89006 and any related decree.
- 3. The former place of use shall no longer be irrigated as part of this water right.
- 4. The water user shall maintain the existing headgate and shall make such improvements as may be required by the Department.
  - The water user shall maintain and operate the existing measurement device and shall make such improvements as may be required by the Department.

- 6. Full beneficial use of the water shall be made, consistent with the terms of this order, on or before **October 1, 2017**. A Claim of Beneficial Use shall be submitted by Hermiston Irrigation District to the Department within one year after the deadline for completion of the changes and full beneficial use of the water.
- 7. Water right certificate 89006 is modified. The Department will issue a superseding certificate describing the rights when it determines it is necessary for record keeping.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 29 day of February, 2016.

Dwight French, Water Right Services Administrator for

Thomas M. Byler, Director

Mailing Date: MAR 0 2 2016