## STATE OF OREGON

### COUNTY OF MORROW

#### PERMIT TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS

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The specific limits and conditions of the use are listed below.

APPLICATION FILE: NUMBER: G-14838

SOURCE OF WATER: FOUR WELLS IN WILLOW CREEK BASIN

PURPOSE OR USE: IRRIGATION OF 1159.8 ACRES

MAXIMUM RATE: 8.91 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND

PERIOD OF USE: MARCH 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 31

DATE OF PRIORITY: SEPTEMBER 17, 1998

## POINT OF DIVERSION LOCATION:

| Twp | Rng  | Mer | Sec | Q-Q   | Measured Distances   |
|-----|------|-----|-----|-------|--|
| 1 S | 25 E | WM  | 1   | SWNW  | WELL 1 (MORR 50765) - 2528 FEET SOUTH AND<br>1317 FEET EAST FROM THE NW CORNER OF<br>SECTION 1 |
| 1 S | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NE SW | WELL 2 - 4000 FEET SOUTH AND 2600 FEET EAST FROM THE NW CORNER OF SECTION 1                    |
| 1 S | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NE SW | WELL 2 (MORR 50818) - 3275 FEET NORTH FROM THE C¼ CORNER OF SEC. 12, T 1 S, R 25 E, W.M.       |
| 1 S | 25 E | WM  | 1   | SE NW | WELL 3 (MORR 51827) - 1458 FEET SOUTH AND 2230 FEET EAST FROM THE NW CORNER OF SECTION 1       |

The amount of water used for irrigation under this right, 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 for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year.

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THE PLACE OF USE IS LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

| IRRIGATION |      |     |     |       |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------|------|-----|-----|-------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Twp        | Rng  | Mer | Sec | Q-Q   | Acres |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NE NE | 47.9  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NW NE | 47.6  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | SW NE | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | SE NE | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NE NW | 47.4  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NW NW | 47.4  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | . 1 | SWNW  | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 <b>S</b> | 25 E | WM  | 1   | SE NW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NE SW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NW SW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | SW SW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | SE SW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NE SE | 39.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | NW SE | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | SW SE | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 1   | SE SE | 22.9  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 2   | NE NW | 46.4  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 2   | NW NW | 46.3  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 2   | SW NW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 2   | SE NW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 3   | NE NE | 46.3  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 3   | SE NE | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 12  | NE NW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 12  | NW NW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 12  | SW NW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 25 E | WM  | 12  | SE NW | 40.0  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 26 E | WM  | 6   | NE NW | 3.7   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 26 E | WM  | 6   | NW NW | 47.8  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 26 E | WM  | 6   | SW NW | 30.3  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 26 E | WM  | 6   | SE NW | 0.1   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 S        | 26 E | WM  | 6   | NW SW | 6.7   |  |  |  |  |  |

The combined quantity of water diverted at the new points of appropriation (Wells 2, 2 (actual), and 3), together with that diverted at the old point of appropriation (Well 1), shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original point of appropriation (Well 1).

Water shall be acquired from the same aquifer as the original point of appropriation.

# Checkpoint Condition

The permit holder must submit a completed Diligence Progress Report to the Department by October 1, in the years 2008 and 2014.

- A. At each checkpoint, the permit holder shall submit and the Department shall review evidence of the permit holder's diligence towards completion of the project and compliance with terms and conditions of the permit and extension. If, after this review, the Department determines the permit holder has not been diligent in developing and perfecting the water use permit, or complied with all terms and conditions, the Department shall modify or further condition the permit or extension to ensure future compliance, or begin cancellation proceedings on the undeveloped portion of the permit pursuant to ORS 537.260 or 537.410, or require submission of a final proof survey pursuant to ORS 537.250;
- B. The Department shall provide notice of receipt of progress reports in its weekly notice and shall allow a 30 day comment period for each report. The Department shall provide notice of its determination to anyone who submitted comments.

# Measurement, recording and reporting conditions:

- A. Before water use may begin under this permit, the permittee shall install a meter or other suitable measuring device as approved by the Director. The permittee shall maintain the meter or measuring device in good working order, shall keep a complete record of the amount of water used each month and shall submit a report which includes the recorded water use measurements to the Department annually or more frequently as may be required by the Director. Further, the Director may require the permittee to report general water use information, including the place and nature of use of water under the permit.
- B. The permittee shall allow the watermaster access to the meter or measuring device; provided however, where the meter or measuring device is located within a private structure, the watermaster shall request access upon reasonable notice.

The permittee/appropriator shall notify the Groundwater/Hydrology Section of the Department in Salem, or the Watermaster in Pendleton at least five (5) business days prior to beginning of construction of the well. Samples of the materials penetrated during construction shall be collected at five-foot intervals and at each change in lithology. The samples shall be stored in properly labeled containers provided by the Department.

If substantial interference with a senior water right occurs due to withdrawal of water from any well listed on this permit, then use of water from the well(s) shall be discontinued or reduced and/or the schedule of withdrawal shall be regulated until or unless the Department approves or implements an alternative administrative action to mitigate the interference. The Department encourages junior and senior appropriators to jointly develop plans to mitigate interferences.

To monitor the effect of water use from the well(s) authorized under this permit, the Department requires the water user to make and report annual static water level measurements. The static water level shall be measured between February 15 and March 15. Reports shall be submitted to the Department within 30 days of measurement.

Measurements must be made according to the following schedule:

### **Before Use of Water Takes Place**

Initial and Annual Measurements

The Department requires the permittee to submit an initial water level measurement in the month specified above once well construction is complete and annually thereafter until use of water begins; and

# After Use of Water has Begun

Seven Consecutive Annual Measurements

Following the first year of water use, the user shall submit seven consecutive annual reports of static water level measurements. The first of these seven annual measurements will establish the reference level against which future annual measurements will be compared. Based on an analysis of the data collected, the Director may require that the user obtain and report additional annual static water level measurements beyond the seven year minimum reporting period. The additional measurements may be required in a different month. If the measurement requirement is stopped, the Director may restart it at any time.

All measurements shall be made by a certified water rights examiner, registered professional geologist, registered professional engineer, licensed well constructor or pump installer licensed by the Construction Contractors Board and be submitted to the Department on forms provided by the Department. The Department requires the individual performing the measurement to:

- (A) Identify each well with its associated measurement; and
- (B) Measure and report water levels to the nearest tenth of a foot as depth-to-water below ground surface; and
- (C) Specify the method used to obtain each well measurement; and
- (D) Certify the accuracy of all measurements and calculations submitted to the Department.

The water user shall discontinue use of, or reduce the rate or volume of withdrawal from, the well(s) if annual water level measurements reveal any of the following events:

- (A) An average water level decline of three or more feet per year for five consecutive years; or
- (B) A water level decline of 15 or more feet in fewer than five consecutive years; or
- (C) A water level decline of 25 or more feet; or
- (D) Hydraulic interference leading to a decline of 25 or more feet in any neighboring well with senior priority.

The period of non or restricted use shall continue until the annual water level rises above the decline level which triggered the action or until the Department determines, based on the permittee's and/or the Department's data and analysis, that no action is necessary because the aquifer in question can sustain the observed declines without adversely impacting the resource or senior water rights. The water user shall in no instance allow excessive decline, as defined in Commission rules, to occur within the aquifer as a result of use under this permit. If more than one well is involved, the water user may submit an alternative measurement and reporting plan for review and approval by the Department.

#### STANDARD CONDITIONS

The wells shall be constructed in accordance with the General Standards for the Construction and Maintenance of Water Wells in Oregon. The works shall be equipped with a usable access port, and may also include an air line and pressure gauge adequate to determine water level elevation in the well at all times.

The use shall conform to such reasonable rotation system as may be ordered by the proper state officer.

Prior to receiving a certificate of water right, the permit holder shall submit the results of a pump test meeting the department's standards, to the Water Resources Department. The Director may require water level or pump test results every ten years thereafter.

Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this permit may result in action including, but not limited to, restrictions on the use, civil penalties, or cancellation of the permit.

This permit is for the beneficial use of water without waste. The water user is advised that new regulations may require the use of best practical technologies or conservation practices to achieve this end.

By law, the land use associated with this water use must be in compliance with statewide land-use goals and any local acknowledged land-use plan.

The use of water shall be limited when it interferes with any prior surface or ground water rights.

The Director finds that the proposed use(s) of water described by this permit, as conditioned, will not impair or be detrimental to the public interest.

Actual construction of the well shall begin by September 30, 2000. Complete application of the water to the use shall be made on or before October 1, 2017. Within one year after complete application of water to the proposed use, the permittee shall submit a claim of beneficial use, which includes a map and report, prepared by a Certified Water Rights Examiner (CWRE).

Issued September 24, 2012

t French, Water Right Services Administrator, for

PHILLIP C. WARD, DIRECTOR