

STATE OF OREGON

COUNTY OF MALHEUR

PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A RESERVOIR AND STORE THE PUBLIC WATERS

THIS PERMIT IS HEREBY ISSUED TO

U.S. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
100 OREGON ST
VALE, OR 97918

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

APPLICATION FILE NUMBER: R-85419

SOURCE OF WATER: AN UNNAMED STREAM, A TRIBUTARY OF BIRCH CREEK

STORAGE FACILITY: UPPER BEIRMAN (48-5228) RESERVOIR

PURPOSE OR USE OF THE STORED WATER: LIVESTOCK AND WILDLIFE

MAXIMUM STORAGE VOLUME: 1.9 ACRE FEET EACH YEAR

WATER MAY BE APPROPRIATED FOR STORAGE DURING THE PERIOD: OCTOBER 1
THROUGH APRIL 14 OF EACH YEAR

DATE OF PRIORITY: JANUARY 2, 2003

THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF THE DAM SHALL NOT EXCEED 15.5 FEET.

DAM LOCATION: SW 1/4 NW 1/4, SECTION 13, T15S, R44E, W.M.; SOUTH 31
DEGREES 25 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST 2549.29 FEET FROM NW 1/4 CORNER,
SECTION 13

THE AREA TO BE SUBMERGED BY THE RESERVOIR IS LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

SW 1/4 NW 1/4
SECTION 13
TOWNSHIP 15 SOUTH, RANGE 44 EAST, W.M.

Measurement, recording and reporting conditions:

- A. The Director may require the permittee to install a meter or other suitable measuring device as approved by the Director. If the Director notifies the permittee to install a meter or other measuring device, the permittee shall install such device within the period stated in the notice. Such installation period shall not be less than 90 days unless special circumstances warrant a shorter installation period. Once installed, the permittee shall maintain the meter or measuring device in good working order and shall allow the

watermaster access to the meter or measuring device. The Director may provide an opportunity for the permittee to submit alternative measuring procedures for review and approval.

- B. The Director may require the permittee to keep and maintain a record of the amount (volume) of water used and may require the permittee to report water use on a periodic schedule as established by the Director. In addition, the Director may require the permittee to report general water use information, the periods of water use and the place and nature of use of water under the permit. The Director may provide an opportunity for the permittee to submit alternative reporting procedures for review and approval.

The permittee may be required in the future to install, maintain, and operate fish screening devices to prevent fish from entering the proposed diversion.

The storage of water allowed herein is subject to the installation and maintenance of an outlet pipe, or the provision of other means to evacuate water when determined necessary by the Water Resources Director to satisfy prior downstream rights.

The permittee shall pass all live flow outside the storage season described above.

This permit does not provide for the appropriation of water for any out of reservoir uses, the maintenance of the water level or maintaining a suitable fresh water condition. If any water is used for out of reservoir uses, or any live flow is appropriated to maintain either the water level or a suitable freshwater condition, a secondary water right is required.

STANDARD CONDITIONS

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 allowed herein may be made only at times when sufficient water is available to satisfy all prior rights, including prior rights for maintaining instream flows.

This permit does not authorize the permit holder to pursue this right in such a way as to interfere with or affect adjacent property not under the ownership of the permit holder.

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.

The reservoir shall be filled and complete application of the stored water to the use shall be made on or before October 1, 2008.


Within one year after complete application of water to the proposed use, the permittee shall submit a claim of beneficial use to the Oregon Water Resources Department.

The claim of beneficial use shall be prepared by a Certified Water Right Examiner in conformance with the requirements of OAR 690-014 if an associated secondary permit exists for the use of stored water under this permit, or if the reservoir stores 9.2 or more acre-feet of water.

If no secondary permit exists and the reservoir stores less than 9.2 acre-feet of water, the claim of beneficial use need not be prepared by a Certified Water Right Examiner. The information submitted to the Oregon Water Resources Department shall include:

- (a) the dimensions of the reservoir;
- (b) the maximum capacity of the reservoir in acre-feet; and
- (c) a map identifying the location of the reservoir prepared in compliance with Water Resource Department standards.

Issued December 10, 2003


Paul R. Cleary, Director
Water Resources Department

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS: Pursuant to ORS 537.330, in any transaction for the conveyance of real estate that includes any portion of the lands described in this permit, the seller of the real estate shall, upon accepting an offer to purchase that real estate, also inform the purchaser in writing whether any permit, transfer approval order, or certificate evidencing the water right is available and that the seller will deliver any permit, transfer approval order or certificate to the purchaser at closing, if the permit, transfer approval order or certificate is available.

CULTURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION LAWS: Permittees involved in ground-disturbing activities should be aware of federal and state cultural resources protection laws. ORS 358.920 prohibits the excavation, injury, destruction or alteration of an archeological site or object, or removal of archeological objects from public and private lands without an archeological permit issued by the State Historic Preservation Office. 16 USC 470, Section 106, National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 requires a federal agency, prior to any undertaking to take into account the effect of the undertaking that is included on or eligible for inclusion in the National Register. For further information, contact the State Historic Preservation Office at 503-378-4168, extension 232.