STATE OF OREGON

COUNTY OF CROOK

PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A RESERVOIR AND STORE THE PUBLIC WATERS

THIS PERMIT IS HEREBY ISSUED TO

OREGON RANCHING CO.; TWIN BUTTES RANCH 62400 PAULINA HWY POST, OR 97752

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

APPLICATION FILE NUMBER: R-86583

SOURCE OF WATER: BEAVER CREEK, A TRIBUTARY OF CROOKED RIVER

STORAGE FACILITY: A RESERVOIR

PURPOSE OR USE OF THE STORED WATER: MULTIPLE PURPOSE

MAXIMUM STORAGE VOLUME: 62.8 ACRE FEET EACH YEAR

WATER MAY BE APPROPRIATED FOR STORAGE DURING THE PERIOD: MARCH 1 THROUGH MAY 31

DATE OF PRIORITY: APRIL 27, 2006

DAM LOCATION: SE 1/4 SE 1/4, SECTION 15, T17S, R22E, W.M.; 1070 FEET NORTH & 350 FEET WEST FROM SE CORNER, SECTION 15

POINT OF DIVERSION LOCATION: NE 1/4, SECTION 14, T17S, R22E, W.M.; 600 FEET SOUTH & 150 FEET WEST FROM NE CORNER, SECTION 14

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

NW % SW % SECTION 14

NE % SE % SE % SE % SECTION 15

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, W.M.

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.

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- 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.
- C. 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 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.

The permittee shall not construct, operate or maintain any dam or artificial obstruction to fish passage in the channel of the subject stream without providing a fishway to ensure adequate upstream and downstream passage for fish, unless the permittee has requested and been granted a fish passage waiver by the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission. The permittee is hereby directed to contact an Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Fish Passage Coordinator, before beginning construction of any in-channel obstruction.

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 reservoir shall be filled and complete application of the stored water to the use shall be made on or before October 1, 2010.

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.

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Phillip C. Ward, Director Water Resources Department