BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application)	PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION
T-11210, Deschutes County)	PROPOSING APPROVAL OF AN
)	ADDITIONAL POINT OF DIVERSION
)	AND CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE

Authority

ORS 540.505 to 540.580 establishes the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to transfer the point of diversion, place of use, or character of use authorized under an existing water right. OAR Chapter 690, Division 380 implements the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating transfer applications.

Applicant

TUMALO TOWN DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT CO. 64682 COOK AVENUE #54 BEND, OR 97701

Findings of Fact

Background

- 1. On March 11, 2011, TUMALO TOWN DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT CO. filed an application for an additional point of diversion and to change the place of use under Certificate 76619. The Department assigned the application number T-11210.
- 2. On September 1, 2011, the applicant submitted an amended application and map clarifying the proposed place of use.
- 3. The portion of the first right to be transferred is as follows:

Certificate: 76619 in the name of TUMALO TOWN DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT

CO. (perfected under Permit S-13245)

Use: IRRIGATION of 1.39 ACRES AND DOMESTIC USE

Priority Date: AUGUST 25, 1938

Rate: 0.0893 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND: BEING 0.0347 CFS FOR

IRRIGATION AND 0.0546 CFS FOR DOMESTIC USE

Limit/Duty: The amount of water used 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 for each acre irrigated from April 1 to May 22, ONE-FORTIETH of one cubic

Pursuant to OAR 690-380-4030, any person may file a protest or standing statement within 30 days after the last date of publication of notice of this preliminary determination.

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foot per second or its equivalent for each acre irrigated after August 20 of each year and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 4.0 acre-feet for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year from April 1 to November 1.

Sources:

SEEPAGE FROM TUMALO CREEK, a tributary of the DESCHUTES RIVER, AND THE DESCHUTES RIVER, tributary to the COLUMBIA RIVER

Authorized Point of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
17 S	12 E	WM	6	NW SE	DIVERSION NO. 1 - 2230 FEET SOUTH AND 1650 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 6

Authorized Place of Use:

IRRIGATION AND DOMESTIC								
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres			
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW NE	0.926			
16 S	16 S 12 E WM 31 SW NE							
	Total							

4. The survey coordinates for the above listed authorized point of diversion and as described in Certificate 76619 contain a scrivener's error. Consistent with all available information, the correct measured distances for the point of diversion is as follows.

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
17 S	12 E	WM	6	NW SE	DIVERSION NO. 1 - 2230 FEET NORTH AND 1650 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 6

5. Transfer Application T-11210 proposes an additional point of diversion approximately 4,770 feet downstream to:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
16 S	12 E	WM	31	SE SE	DIVERSION NO. 3 - 1149 FEET NORTH AND 943 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 31

6. Transfer Application T-11210 also proposes to change the place of use of the right to:

	IRRIGATION AND DOMESTIC								
			Su	pplemental Informa	tion				
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres	Tax Lot	Name	POD ID	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	SW NE	0.174	5101	E. Edwards	1	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.050	1301	J. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.060	202	P. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.060	204	P. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.060	201	P. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.060	200	P. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.200	203	P. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.100	1204	P. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.050	1201	J. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.100	1200	J. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.150	1203	J. Gisler	3	
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.150	1205	J. Gisler	3	

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	IRRIGATION AND DOMESTIC							
						Su	pplemental Informa	tion
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres	Tax Lot	Name	POD ID
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.050	1202	J. Gisler	3
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.026	1105	J. Gisler	3
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.050	1107	J. Gisler	3
16 S	12 E	WM	31	NW SE	0.050	1104	J. Gisler	3
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- 8. Notice of the application for transfer was published on March 22, 2011, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- 9. On September 7, 2011, the Department mailed a copy of the draft Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-11210 to the applicant. The draft Preliminary Determination cover letter set forth a deadline of October 7, 2011, for the applicant to respond. The applicant requested that the Department proceed with issuance of a Preliminary Determination and provided the necessary information to demonstrate that the applicant is authorized to pursue the transfer.
- 10. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) has determined that a fish screening and/or by-pass device is necessary at the new point of diversion to prevent fish from entering the diversion and/or safely transport fish back to the body of water from which the fish were diverted and that the diversion is not currently equipped with an appropriate fish screening and/or by-pass device. This diversion may be eligible for screening cost share funds.

Transfer Review Criteria [OAR 690-380-4010(2)]

- 11. Water has been used within the last five years according to the terms and conditions of the right. There is no information in the record that would demonstrate that the right is subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
- 12. A diversion structure and ditch sufficient to use the full amount of water allowed under the existing right were present within the five-year period prior to submittal of Transfer Application T-11210.
- 13. The proposed changes would not result in enlargement of the right.
- 14. The proposed changes would not result in injury to other water rights.

Determination and Proposed Action

The additional point of diversion and change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-11210 appear to be consistent with the requirements of ORS 540.505 to 540.580 and OAR 690-380-5000. If protests are not filed pursuant to OAR 690-380-4030, the transfer application will be approved.

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If Transfer Application T-11210 is approved, the final order will include the following:

- 1. The additional point of diversion and change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-11210 are 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 76619 and any related decree.
- 3. Water right certificate 76619 is modified. The Department will issue a superseding certificate describing the right when it determines that it is necessary for record keeping.
- 4. The quantity of water diverted at the additional point of diversion, together with that diverted at the original points of diversion, shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original points of diversion.
- 5. Water use measurement conditions:
 - a. Before water use may begin under this order, the water user shall install a totalizing flow meter, or, with prior approval of the Director, another suitable measuring device, at each point of diversion.
 - b. The water user shall maintain the meters or measuring devices in good working order.
 - c. The water user shall allow the Watermaster access to the meters or measuring devices; provided however, where the meters or measuring devices are located within a private structure, the Watermaster shall request access upon reasonable notice.
- 6. Prior to diverting water, the water user shall install a fish screening and/or by-pass device, as appropriate, at the new point of diversion consistent with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's (ODFW) design and construction standards. Prior to installation, the water user shall obtain written approval from ODFW that the required screen and/or by-pass device meets ODFW's criteria. Prior to submitting a Claim of Beneficial Use, the water user must obtain written approval from ODFW that the required screening and/or by-pass device was installed to the state's criteria. The water user shall maintain and operate the fish screen and/or by-pass device, as appropriate, at the point of diversion consistent with ODFW's operational and maintenance standards.
- 7. The former place of use of the transferred right shall no longer receive water under the right.
- 8. The approved changes shall be completed and full beneficial use of the water shall be made on or before **October 1, 2013**. A Claim of Beneficial Use prepared by a Certified Water Right Examiner shall be submitted by the applicant to the Department within one year after the deadline for completion of the changes and full beneficial use of the water.

9.		factory proof of the c ansferred will be issi	completed changes is received, a new certificate confirming ued.
Dat	ted at Salem	, Oregon this 16	_ day of November 2011.
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rench, Water Right Services Administrator, for C. WARD, DIRECTOR

This Preliminary Determination was prepared by Teri Hranac. If you have questions about the information in this document, you may reach me at 503-986-0881 or Teri.K.Hranac@wrd.state.or.us.

Protests should be addressed to the attention of Transfer and Conservation Section, Water Resources Department, 725 Summer St. NE, Suite A, Salem, OR 97301-1266.