

Water Resources Department

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April 16, 2014

VIA E-MAIL

CHRIS AND KATHY SCHELLER 6061 SW MERIDIAN WAY TUALATIN, OR 97062

SUBJECT: Water Right Transfer Application T-11675

Please find enclosed the Preliminary Determination indicating that, based on the information available, the Department intends to approve application T-11675. This document is an intermediate step in the approval process; water may not be used legally as proposed in the transfer application until a Final Order has been issued by the Department. Please read this entire letter carefully to determine your responsibility for additional action.

A public notice is being published in the Department's weekly publication, simultaneously with issuance of the Preliminary Determination. The notice initiates a period in which any person may file either a protest opposing the decision proposed by the Department in the Preliminary Determination or a standing statement supporting the Department's decision. The protest period will end 30 days after the Department's notice.

If no protest is filed, the Department will issue a Final Order consistent with the Preliminary Determination. You should receive a copy of the Final Order about 30 days after the close of the protest period.

If a protest is filed, the application may be referred to a contested case proceeding. A contested case provides an opportunity for the proponents and opponents of the decision proposed in the Preliminary Determination to present information and arguments supporting their position in a quasi-judicial proceeding.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 503-986-0890 or <u>Sarah.A.Henderson@wrd.state.or.us</u> if I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Sarah Henderson

Transfer Specialist

Transfer and Conservation Section

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cc:

T-11675

Darrell C. Hedin, District 18 Watermaster (via e-mail)

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BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application)	PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION
T-11675, Clackamas County)	PROPOSING APPROVAL OF AN
)	ADDITIONAL POINT OF
)	APPROPRIATION

Authority

ORS 537.705 and 540.505 to 540.580 establish the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to transfer the point of appropriation, 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

CHRIS AND KATHY SCHELLER 6061 SW MERIDIAN WAY TUALATIN, OR 97062

Findings of Fact

- 1. On October 21, 2013, CHRIS AND KATHY SCHELLER filed an application for an additional point of appropriation under Certificate 62489. The Department assigned the application number T-11675.
- 2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on October 29, 2013, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- 3. On February 25, 2014, the Department contacted John Borden, the applicant's agent, to notify him that a Land Use Information Form and approval is needed, and the authorized place of use description in the application is in accurate.
- 4. On February 26, 2014 and February 27, 2014, the applicant's agent submitted the items resolving the deficiencies.
- 5. On March 14, 2014, the Department mailed a copy of the draft Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-11675 to the applicants. The draft Preliminary Determination cover letter set forth a deadline of April 14, 2014, for the applicants to respond. The applicants requested that the Department proceed with issuance of a Preliminary Determination and provided the necessary information to demonstrate the applicant is authorized to pursue the transfer.

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.

6. The portion of the right to be transferred is as follows:

Certificate: 62489 in the name of HARVEY A. OLDENSTADT (perfected under Permit

G-9281)

Use: IRRIGATION ON 4.18 ACRES

Priority Date: MARCH 20, 1981

Rate: 0.02 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND

Limit/Duty: The amount of water used for irrigation, together with the amount secured

under any other right existing for the same lands, shall be limited to

ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 2.5 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation

season of each year.

Source: WELL 1 within the TUALATIN RIVER BASIN

Authorized Point of Appropriation:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
2 S	1 E	WM	31	SE NW	550 FEET NORTH AND 1850 FEET EAST FROM THE W1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 31

Authorized Place of Use:

IRRIGATION						
Twp	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres		
2 S	1 E	WM	31	SE NW	4.18	

7. Transfer Application T-11675 proposes an additional point of appropriation approximately 250 feet from the existing point of appropriation to:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
2 S	1 E	WM	31	SE NW	352 FEET NORTH AND 1716 FEET EAST FROM THE W1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 31

Transfer Review Criteria (OAR 690-380-4010)

- 8. Water has been used within the last five years prior to the submittal of Transfer Application T-11675 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.
- 9. A pump, pipeline, and sprinkler system 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-11675.
- 10. The proposed change would not result in enlargement of the right.
- 11. The proposed change would not result in injury to other water rights.
- 12. All other application requirements are met.

Determination and Proposed Action

The additional point of appropriation proposed in Transfer Application T-11675 appears to be consistent with the requirements of ORS 537.705 and 540.505 to 540.580 and OAR 690-380-5000. If protests are not filed pursuant to OAR 690-380-4030, the application will be approved.

If Transfer Application T-11675 is approved, the final order will include the following:

- The additional point of appropriation proposed in Transfer Application T-11675 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 62489 and any related decree.
- 3. Water right Certificate 62489 is cancelled. A new certificate will be issued describing that portion of the right not affected by this transfer.
- 4. The quantity of water diverted at the additional point of appropriation, together with that diverted at the original point of appropriation, shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original point of appropriation.
- 5. A totalizing flow meter or other suitable measuring device is not required at this time; however, when it becomes necessary in the future the Department may require one to be installed.
- 6. Water shall be acquired from the same aquifer (water source) as the original point of appropriation.
- 7. Full beneficial use of the water shall be made, consistent with the terms of this order, on or before October 1, 2015. 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 change and full beneficial use of the water.
- 8. After satisfactory proof of beneficial use is received, a new certificate confirming the right transferred will be issued.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this / day of April, 2014.

Water Right Services Administrator, for

PHILLIP C. WARD, DIRECTOR

This Preliminary Determination was prepared by Sarah Henderson. If you have questions about the information in this document, you may reach me at 503-986-0890 or Sarah. A. Henderson @ wrd. state.or. us

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