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JIM AND KELLY LANZAROTTA 2930 SUMMIT SKY BLVD EUGENE, OR 97405

SUBJECT: Water Right Transfer Application T-12401

Please find enclosed the Preliminary Determination indicating that, based on the information available, the Department intends to approve application T-12401. 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 and in the Nugget Newspaper, 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 last date of newspaper publication.

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 503-986-0827 or duff.a.martin@oregon.gov if I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

**Duff Martin** 

Transfer Specialist

Transfer and Conservation Section

cc:

Transfer Application file T-12401

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# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application	)	PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION
T-12401, Deschutes County	)	PROPOSING APPROVAL OF A
•	)	CHANGE IN POINT OF
	)	APPROPRIATION AND A CHANGE IN
	)	PLACE OF USE

## **Authority**

Oregon Revised Statutes (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. Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) Chapter 690, Division 380 implement the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating transfer applications.

### **Applicant**

JIM AND KELLY LANZAROTTA 2930 SUMMIT SKY BLVD EUGENE, OR 97405

## **Findings of Fact**

- 1. On May 31, 2016, JIM AND KELLY LANZAROTTA filed an application to change the point of appropriation and place of use under Certificate 89498. The Department assigned the application number T-12401.
- 2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on June 7, 2016, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- 3. On September 16, 2016, Transfer Application T-12478 was filed. This transfer modifies the same right, described by Certificate 89498, that has been proposed to be modified in T-12478. Certificate 89498 shall be cancelled after both transfer applications are processed.
- 4. On March 8, 2017, the Department sent a copy of the draft Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-12401 to the applicants. The draft Preliminary Determination cover letter set forth a deadline of April 7, 2017, for the applicants to respond. The applicants requested that the Department proceed with issuance of a Preliminary Determination on March 15, 2017, and provided the necessary information to demonstrate that the applicants are 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.

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

Certificate: 89498 in the name of ERIC VETTERLEIN/DESERT SPRINGS RANCH

LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (perfected under Permit G-8846)

Use: IRRIGATION of 8.0 ACRES

Priority Date: MARCH 4, 1980

Rate: 0.1 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, is limited to a diversion of ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated, and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 3.0 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of

each year.

**Source:** A WELL within the DEEP CANYON BASIN

#### **Authorized Point of Appropriation:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	GLot	Measured Distances		
15 S	11 E	WM	19	SW SW	4	1200 FEET NORTH AND 450 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 19		

#### **Authorized Place of Use:**

	IRRIGATION							
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres			
15 S	11 E	WM	20	NW SE	8.0			

6. Transfer Application T-12401 proposes to move the authorized point of appropriation approximately 3.6 miles from the existing point of appropriation to:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances	
15 S	11 E	WM	5	SE NW	355 FEET NORTH AND 276 FEET WEST FROM THE C1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 5	

7. Transfer Application T-12401 also proposes to change the place of use of the right to:

	IRRIGATION							
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres			
15 S	11 E	WM	5	SW NE	4.1			
15 S	11 E	WM	5	SE NW	2.7			
15 S	11 E	WM	5	SE NW	0.1			
15 S	11 E	WM	5	NE SW	0.6			
15 S	11 E	WM	5	NW SE	0.5			
				Total	8.0			

#### Transfer Review Criteria (OAR 690-380-4010)

8. 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.

- 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-12401.
- 10. The proposed changes would not result in enlargement of the right.
- 11. The proposed changes would not result in injury to other water rights.
- 12. All other application requirements are met.

#### **Determination and Proposed Action**

The change in point of appropriation and change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-12401 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-12401 is approved, the final order will include the following:

- 1. The change in point of appropriation and change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-12401 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 89498 and any related decree.
- 3. Water right Certificate 89498 is modified and will be cancelled upon approval or denial of T-12478. 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 new point of appropriation, shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original point of appropriation.
- 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 new point of appropriation.
  - b. The water user shall maintain the meter or measuring device in good working order.
  - c. The water user 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.
- 6. Water shall be acquired from the same aquifer (water source) as the original point of appropriation.
- 7. The former place of use of the transferred right shall no longer receive water under the right.

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- 8. Full beneficial use of the water shall be made, consistent with the terms of this order, on or before October 1, 2022. 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. 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 day of

Dwight French, Water Right Services Administrator, for

Thomas M. Ryler, Director

Oregon Water Resources Department

This Preliminary Determination was prepared by Duff Martin. If you have questions about the information in this document, you may reach me at 503-986-0827 or Duff.A.Martin@oregon.gov.

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

Notice Regarding Service Members: Active duty service members have a right to stay proceedings under the federal Service Members Civil Relief Act. 50 U.S.C. App. §§501-597b. You may contact the Oregon State Bar or the Oregon Military Department for more information. The toll-free telephone number for the Oregon State Bar is: 1 (800) 452-8260. The toll-free telephone number of the Oregon Military Department is: 1 (800) 452-7500. The Internet address for the United States Armed Forces Legal Assistance Legal Services Locator website is: <a href="http://legalassistance.law.af.mil">http://legalassistance.law.af.mil</a>