# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application	)	PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION
T-13100, Marion County	)	PROPOSING APPROVAL OF A
	)	CHANGE IN POINTS OF
	)	APPROPRIATION

#### **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**

CITY OF KEIZER PO BOX 21000 KEIZER, OR 97307

## **Findings of Fact**

- On January 7, 2019, CITY OF KEIZER filed an application to change the points of appropriation under Certificate 50519. The Department assigned the application number T-13100.
- 2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on January 15, 2019, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- 3. On October 30, 2019, the Department mailed a copy of the draft Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-13100 to the applicant. The draft Preliminary Determination cover letter set forth a deadline of December 2, 2019, 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.

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.

4. The right to be transferred is as follows:

50519 in the name of JIM NIGHTENGALE (perfected under Permit **Certificate:** 

G-6838)

Use:

QUASI-MUNICIPAL USES

Priority Date: JUNE 27, 1973

Rate:

2.0 CUBIC FEET PER SECOND FROM THREE WELLS AT ONE TIME

Source:

THREE WELLS a tributary of CLAGGETT CREEK

## **Authorized Points of Appropriation:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances	
6 S	3 W	WM	35	NE NE	WELL 2 (KEIZER WELL #12 – 17 <sup>TH</sup> AVE) - 620 FEET SOUTH AND 10 FEET WEST FROM THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 35	
6 S	3 W	WM	35	NW NE	WELL 1 (KEIZER WELL #13 – 13 <sup>TH</sup> AVE) - 925 FEET SOUTH AND 1540 FEET WEST FROM THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 35	
6 S	3 W	WM	36	NE NW	WELL 3 (KEIZER WELL #11 – LAUDERBACK) - 1280 FEET SOUTH AND 1800 FEET EAST FROM THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 35	

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

QUASI-MUNICIPAL USES							
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q			
6 S	3 W	WM	35	NE NE			
6 S	3 W	WM	35	NW NE			
6 S	3 W	WM	35	SW NE			
6 S	3 W	WM	35	SE NE			
6 S	3 W	WM	35	NE NW			
6 S	3 W	WM	36	NE NW			
6 S	3 W	WM	36	NW NW			
6 S	3 W	WM	36	SW NW			
6 S	3 W	WM	36	SE NW			

Transfer Application T-13100 proposes to move the authorized points of appropriation from the existing points of appropriation to:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances	Approximate distance from original points of appropriation in feet (ft.)		
6.5	6 S 3 W WM 35 NE NE	NIE NIE	KEIZER WELL #12 – 17 <sup>TH</sup> AVE - 680.11 FEET SOUTH AND 780.03 FEET	WELL 1	WELL 2	WELL 3		
0.5		WEST FROM THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 35	1483.1 ft.	90.6 ft.	1971.9 ft.			

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

6. 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.

- 7. A fully metered municipal 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-13100.
- 8. The proposed change would not result in enlargement of the right.
- 9. The proposed change would not result in injury to other water rights.
- 10. All other application requirements are met.

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

The change in points of appropriation proposed in Transfer Application T-13100 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-13100 is approved, the final order will include the following:

- 1. The change in points of appropriation proposed in Transfer Application T-13100 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 50519 and any related decree.
- 3. Water right Certificate 50519 is cancelled.
- 4. The quantity of water diverted at the new points of appropriation (Keizer Well #12 17<sup>th</sup> Ave), shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original points of appropriation (Well 1 (Keizer Well #13 13<sup>th</sup> Ave), Well 2 (Keizer Well #12 17<sup>th</sup> Ave), and Well 3(Keizer Well #11 Lauderback).
- 5. Water shall be acquired from the same aquifer (water source) as the original points of appropriation.
- 6. Full beneficial use of the water shall be made, consistent with the terms of this order, on or before October 1, 2025. 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.

7. After satisfactory proof of beneficial use is received, a new certificate confirming the right transferred will be issued.

Dated in Salem, Oregon on DEC 2 0 2019

Lisa J. Jaramillo Transfer and Conservation Section Manager, for

THOMAS M BYLER, DIRECTOR Oregon Water Resources Department

This Preliminary Determination was prepared by Corey Courchane. If you have questions about the information in this document, you may reach me at 503-986-0825 or <a href="mailto:corey.a.courchane@oregon.gov">corey.a.courchane@oregon.gov</a>

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 servicemembers have a right to stay these proceedings under the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. For more information contact the Oregon State Bar at 800-452-8260, the Oregon Military Department at 503-584-3571, or the nearest United States Armed Forces Legal Assistance Office through <a href="http://legalassistance.law.af.mil">http://legalassistance.law.af.mil</a>. The Oregon Military Department does not have a toll free number.



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December **20**, 2019

CITY OF KEIZER PO BOX 21000 KEIZER, OR 97307

SUBJECT: Water Right Transfer Application T-13100

Please find enclosed the Preliminary Determination indicating that, based on the information available, the Department intends to approve application T-13100. 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 Keizertimes 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 <u>corey.a.courchane@oregon.gov</u> or (503) 986-0825, if I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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Corey Courchane

Transfer Specialist

Transfer and Conservation Section

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T-13100

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