# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE

# STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application	)	PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION
T-13349, Marion County	)	PROPOSING APPROVAL OF A
•	ń	CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE

### Authority

Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 540.505 to 540.580 establish 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. Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) Chapter 690, Division 380 implement the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating transfer applications.

#### Applicant

TROY AND SHERRI KUENZI 10004 KAUFMAN RD NE SILVERTON, OR 97381

# **Findings of Fact**

- On January 16, 2020, TROY AND SHERRI KUENZI filed an application to change the place of use under Certificates 48895, 51890, and 92060. The Department assigned the application number T-13349.
- 2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on January 28, 2020, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- On August 4, 2020, the Department sent a copy of the draft Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-13349 to the applicants. The draft Preliminary Determination cover letter set forth a deadline of September 4, 2020, 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 that the applicant is authorized to pursue the transfer.
- 4. The first right to be transferred is as follows:

48895 in the name of ALZADE GASH (perfected under Permit S-29564) Certificate:

**IRRIGATION OF 31.3 ACRES** Use:

Priority Date: APRIL 16, 1964

0.39 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND Rate:

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

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

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.

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

Source:

EAST FORK OF PUDDING RIVER, a tributary of PUDDING RIVER

#### Authorized Point of Diversion:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances	
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NW NE	49	1500 FEET NORTH AND 640 FEET EAST FROM THE CENTER OF SECTION 18	

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

	IRRIGATION									
Tŵp	Twp Rng Mer Sec Q-Q DLC									
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NW NE	49	8.20				
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SW/NE	49	9.20				
.7 S	1 W	WM	18	NE NW	49	10.50				
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SE NW	49	3.40				
	TOTAL 31.30									

Transfer Application T-13349 proposes to change the place of use of the right to:

	IRRIGATION									
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres				
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NW NE	49	6.20				
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SW NE	49	8.60				
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NE NW	49	11.90				
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SE NW	49	4.60				
	TOTAL 31.30									

The second right to be transferred is as follows:

51890 in the name of MELVIN E KING (perfected under Permit G-6307) Certificate:

Use:

IRRIGATION of 88.0 ACRES AND SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION OF 12.0

**ACRES** 

Priority Date: JANUARY 30, 1975

Rate:

0.70 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

Source:

ONE WELL, a tributary of PUDDING RIVER.

## **Authorized Point of Appropriation:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
7 S	1 W.	WM	18	NE NW	49	610 FEET SOUTH AND 1850 FEET EAST FROM THE NW CORNER OF SECTION 18

Authorized Place of Use:

-	IRRIGATION										
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres					
7 S	1 W	WM	7	SW SW	49	6.20					
7 S	1 W	WM	7	SE SW	49	10.70					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NE NW	49	27.50					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	- NW NW	49 ·	21.20					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SWNW	49	9.20					
7 S	_1 W	WM	18	SE NW	49	13.20					
,	TOTAL										

SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION									
Twp Rng Mer Sec Q-Q Acres									
7 S 1 W WM 18 NE NW 8.80									
7 S									
	TOTAL 12.00								

Transfer Application T-13349 proposes to change the place of use of the right to:

	IRRIGATION										
Twp_	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres					
7 S	1 W	WM	7	SW SW	49	6.70					
7 S	1 W	WM	7	SE SW	49	10.40					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NE NW	49	26.30					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NW NW	49	22.80					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SWNW	49	9.80					
7 S	1 W	· WM	18	SE NW	49	12.00					
	TOTAL 88.00										

SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION										
Twp	Twp Rng Mer Sec Q-Q Acres									
7 S	7 S 1 W WM 18 NE NW 9.05									
7 S										
	TOTAL 12.00									

The third right to be transferred is as follows:

Certificate:

92060 in the name of MELVIN KING (perfected under Permit G-11269)

Use:

SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION of 144.5 ACRES

Priority Date: OCTOBER 16, 1990

Rate:

0.89 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. This right is limited to any deficiency in the available supply of any prior

right existing for the same land.

Source:

WELL 3 in the PUDDING RIVER BASIN

Authorized Point of Appropriation:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Measured Distances
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NW NW	49	530 FEET SOUTH AND 490 FEET EAST FROM THE NW CORNER OF SECTION 18

#### Authorized Place of Use:

	SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION										
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres					
7 S	1 W	WM	7	SW SW	49	14.20					
7 S	1 W	WM	7 ·	SE SW	49	10.70					
. 7S	1 W	WM	18	NE NW	49	36.30					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NW NW	49	44.00					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SWNW	49	18.20					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SE NW	49	16.40					
7S.	2 W	WM	12	SE SE	88	1.00					
7 S	2 W	WM	13	NE NE	88	2.60					
7 S	2 W	WM	13	SE NE	88	1.10					
	-				TOTAL	144.50					

9. Transfer Application T-13349 proposes to change the place of use of the right to:

	SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION										
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres					
7 S	1 W	WM	7	SW SW	49	14.70					
7 S	1 W	WM	7	SE SW	49	10.40					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NE NW	49	35.35					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	NW NW	49	45.60					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SW NW	49	18.80					
7 S	1 W	WM	18	SE NW	49	14.95					
7 S	2 W	WM	12	SE SE	88	1.00					
7 S	2 W	WM	13	NE NE	88	2.60					
7 S	2 W	WM	13	SE NE	88	1.10					
	TOTAL 144.50										

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

- 10. 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 rights are subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
- 11. A pump, pipeline, and sprinkler system sufficient to use the full amount of water allowed under the existing rights were present within the five-year period prior to submittal of Transfer Application T-13349.
- 12. The proposed change would not result in enlargement of the rights.
- 13. The proposed change would not result in injury to other water rights.
- 14. All other application requirements are met.

# Determination and Proposed Action

The change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-13349 appears 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.

If Transfer Application T-13349 is approved, the final order will include the following:

- 1. The change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-13349 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 Certificates 48895, 51890, 92060, and any related decree.
- 3. Water right Certificates 48895, 51890, and 92060 are cancelled.
- 4. The former place of use of the transferred rights shall no longer receive water under the rights.
- 5. 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.
- 6. After satisfactory proof of beneficial use is received, new certificates confirming the rights transferred will be issued.

Dated in Salem, Oregon on

NOV 0 3 2020

isa J. Jaramillo, Fransfer and Conservation Section Manager, for

THOMAS M BYLER, DIRECTOR
Oregon Water Resources Department

This Preliminary Determination was prepared by Joan Smith. If you have questions about the information in this document, you may reach me at 503-986-0892 or Joan.M.Smith@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.

IMPORTANT: Due to COVID-19, the Department's office is closed to walk-in services. The Department encourages the submission of protests by U.S. Mail. Please consider mailing early to ensure the Department receives the protest by the deadline.

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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November 3, 2020

VIA E-MAIL

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SUBJECT: Water Right Transfer Application T-13349

Please find enclosed the Preliminary Determination indicating that, based on the information available, the Department intends to approve application T-13349. 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 503-986-0892 or Joan.M.Smith@wrd.state.or.us if I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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Transfer Specialist

Transfer and Conservation Section

cc:

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