

Water Resources Department

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March 21, 2022

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL AND E-MAIL

Applicant

JANE STOCKFLETH LLC 15561 RIVER RD. NE ST. PAUL, OR 97137

SUBJECT: Groundwater Registration Modification Application T-13417

Please find enclosed the Preliminary Determination indicating that, based on the information available, the Department intends to approve application T-13417. This document is an intermediate step in the approval process; water may not be used legally as proposed in the groundwater registration modification 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 Keizer Times 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.

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 specified above.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, at corey.a.courchane@water.oregon.gov or (503) 979-3917, if I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Corey Courchane

Transfer Specialist

Transfer and Conservation Section

cc: Groundwater Registration Modification Application T-13417

Gregory J. Wacker, District 16 Watermaster (via e-mail) William E. McGill, Agent for the applicant (via e-mail)

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BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Groundwater) .	PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION
Registration Modification Application)	PROPOSING APPROVAL OF RECOGNITION
T-13417, Marion County)	OF ADDITIONAL POINTS OF
•)	APPROPRIATION

Authority

Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 537.610, 537.705 and 540.505 to 540.580 establish the process in which the holder of a certificate of registration may submit a request for recognition of modifications to the place of use, character of use or point of appropriation under a groundwater certificate of registration.

Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) Chapter 690, Divisions 382 and 380 implement the statutes and provide the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating groundwater registration modification applications.

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Findings of Fact

- On April 9, 2020, JANE STOCKFLETH LLC filed a groundwater registration modification application for additional points of appropriation under Registration Application GR-116 (Certificate of Registration GR-107). The Department assigned the application number T-13417.
- 2. On June 24, 2020, Registration Application GR-116 (Certificate of Registration GR-107) was partially assigned from CARTER J. KEENE to JANE STOCKFLETH LLC.
- 3. Notice of the application for groundwater registration modification was published on May 12, 2020, pursuant to OAR 690-382-0600. No comments were filed in response to the notice.

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. On February 3, 2022, the Department mailed a copy of the draft Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-13417 to the applicant. The draft Preliminary Determination cover letter set forth a deadline of March 7, 2022, 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 modification.
- 5. The portion of the groundwater registration to be modified is as follows:

Registration: Application GR-116 (Certificate of Registration GR-107), in the name of

CARTER J. KEENE (partially assigned to JANE STOCKFLETH LLC)

Use:

IRRIGATION of 45.1 ACRES

Tentative

Priority Date: 1945

Quantity:

314.5 GALLONS PER MINUTE

Source:

PUMP WELL

Original Point of Appropriation:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
EC	2 W	WM 30		NW SW	PUMP WELL - 400 FEET SOUTH AND 750 FEET
5 S 2 W WM 3	30	1446.246	EAST FROM THE W1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 30		

Original Place of Use:

IRRIGATION					
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
5 S	2 W	WM	30	SW NW	6.0
5 S	2 W	WM	30	NE SW	10.5
5 S	2 W	WM	30	NW SW	28.6
			-	Total	45.1

6. Groundwater Registration Modification Application T-13417 proposes additional points of appropriation as follows:

Twp	Rng	Meŗ	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances	Approximate distance from original point of appropriation in miles (mi.)
5 S	2 W	WM	19	NE SW	APOA 4 - 430 FEET NORTH AND 270 FEET EAST FROM THE SW CORNER OF DLC 90	0.9 mi.
5 S	2 W	WM	30	SW NW	APOA 3 - 1400 FEET SOUTH AND 920 FEET EAST FROM THE NW CORNER OF SECTION 30	0.3 mi.
5 S	3 W	WM	25	SE NE	APOA 1 - 630 FEET NORTH AND 830 FEET WEST FROM THE E1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 25	0.3 mi.

Review Criteria for Groundwater Registration Modification Applications [OAR 690-382-0700(2)]

- 7. The proposed modification would not result in enlargement of the groundwater registration.
- 8. The proposed modification would not result in a state Scenic Waterway not receiving previously available water during periods in which streamflows are less than the quantities determined by the Department to be necessary to meet the requirements of ORS 390.835.
- 9. The proposed modification would not result in injury to other water rights.

Determination and Proposed Action

The additional points of appropriation proposed in Groundwater Registration Modification T-13417 appear to be consistent with the requirements of ORS 537.610, 537.705, 540.505 to 540.580 and OAR 690-382-1000. If protests are not filed pursuant to OAR 690-382-0900, the modification will be approved.

If Groundwater Registration Modification T-13417 is approved, the final order will include the following:

- The modification to Registration Application GR-116 (Certificate of Registration GR-107)
 proposed in Groundwater Registration Modification Application T-13417 is recognized.
 Recognition of the modification shall not be construed as a final determination of the right to appropriate groundwater under the certificate of registration or modification. Such a determination will occur in an adjudication proceeding under ORS 537.670 to 537.695.
- 2. 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 Registration Application GR-116 (Certificate of Registration GR-107) and any related decree.
- Water shall be acquired from the same aquifer (water source) as the original point of appropriation.

4. The quantity of water diverted at the new additional points of appropriation (APOA 1, 3, and 4), together with that diverted at the original point of appropriation (Pump Well), shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original point of appropriation (Pump Well).

Dated in Salem, Oregon on

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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 503-979-3917 or corey.a.courchane@water.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.

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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 http://legalassistance.law.af.mil. The Oregon Military Department does not have a toll free number.