



State of Oregon
Water Resources Department
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**Application for Extension of Time for
Transfer of Water Right**

Transfer Number: T-14342

A summary of review criteria and procedures that are generally applicable to these applications is available at https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/WRDFormsPDF/transfer_extension_criteriareview.pdf

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*The applicant must be the transfer holder of record. If the applicant is not the transfer holder of record, the applicant must request an assignment of interest prior to submitting the transfer extension application. Alternatively, the request for assignment may be submitted simultaneously with the extension application. Separate checks for the fees is helpful. Links to assignment forms: <https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/WRDFormsPDF/assign.pdf>, https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/WRDFormsPDF/Assign_by_proof.pdf
Contact information about assignments is available at <https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/programs/WaterRights/Permits/Assignment/Pages/default.aspx>

To the WATER RESOURCES DIRECTOR OF OREGON:

1. **I/WE, THE TRANSFER HOLDER(S) OF RECORD**, do hereby make application for an extension of time within which to complete a change in (check all that apply):

- ☐ point(s) of diversion/appropriation
☒ place(s) of use
☐ character of use

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under the terms of a final order of the Water Resources Director entered on 7/3/2024
(month/day/year) for Transfer Number T-13342

2. **THE FOLLOWING WORK HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED** toward completion of the change within the time allowed, which expired on 10/01/2025 (month/day/year):

Enter Text: T-14342 allowed for the transfer of the place of use of 4.1 acres for irrigation purposes. The water delivery system for the new 4.1 acres has been purchased and installed. The applicant has expended approximately \$50,000 to prepare the new place of use and install the water delivery system. Irrigation water has been beneficially used on the new 4.1 acres. The water for T-14342 is at the lower end of a shared decreed water right (formerly certificate 89190). The water right has a shared point of diversion and the water delivery system runs through a pipe that is on others' properties before it reaches the applicant's property. The applicant is not receiving the rate of water to which he is entitled under the decreed right. Applicant has complained to the watermaster. The watermaster confirmed that applicant is not receiving sufficient water. However, the watermaster says he cannot take action to regulate because the problem is not occurring at the point of diversion, but instead is the result of

someone restricting water somewhere along the pipeline before the water reaches the applicant's property. The applicant has sought assistance from the Grant County District Attorney, who says he intends to pursue a criminal prosecution on this matter sometime before the start of the 2026 irrigation season.

3. TO FULLY COMPLETE THE CHANGE, it will be necessary to accomplish the following:

Enter Text: To fully complete the transfer, applicant needs access to the full rate and duty allowed under his water right. As mentioned in item 2 above, someone is restricting water in the pipeline before it reaches the applicant's property. This issue needs to be resolved before the applicant will have access to the full rate and duty under his water right. Resolution of this matter will not occur prior to the October 1, 2025 completion date. It appears this issue may only be resolved through criminal prosecution. The applicant does not have control over the time it will take to resolve the matter, and it is unlikely it will be resolved before the end of the 2026 irrigation season. Therefore, the applicant requests a two year extension of time, with a completion date of October 1, 2027.

4. I/WE ARE REQUESTING THE TIME FOR COMPLETION be extended to October 1, 2027 (year).

Transfer extensions can be authorized for one (1) calendar year from October 1 to October 1 of each year, or up to five (5) years for transfers involving municipal or quasi-municipal uses, unless the applicant can justify the need for a longer period of time by submission of pertinent evidence. OAR 690-380-6020 (3) and OAR 690-385-7200 (5).

5. I/WE CERTIFY THAT TO THE BEST OF MY/OUR KNOWLEDGE the information contained in this application is true and accurate.

24 JULY 2025

Date

 STEVEN BALDWIN

Signature of Applicant(s), i.e., Transfer Holder(s) of Record

6. IN ORDER FOR AN APPLICATION TO BE COMPLETE, it must be accompanied by the required fee. See the Department's fee schedule at https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/WRDFormsPDF/fee_schedule.pdf or call (503) 986-0900.

7. MAIL THE COMPLETED APPLICATION AND FEE TO:

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