# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Transfer Application	)	PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION
T-10194, Clackamas County	)	PROPOSING APPROVAL OF A
	)	CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE

### Authority

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. OAR Chapter 690, Division 380 implements the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating transfer applications.

**Applicant** 

GEORGE AND ZINA REUTOV 9323 MOUNT ANGEL-GERVAIS RD. GERVAIS, OR 97026 Agent

PACIFIC HYDRO-GEOLOGY INC. attn: MALIA OR GREG KUPILLAS 18477 S VALLEY VISTA RD. MULINO, OR 97042

## **Findings of Fact**

- 1. On June 8, 2006, George and Zina Reutov filed an application to transfer the place of use under Certificate 31827. The Department assigned the application number T-10194.
- 2. The portion of the right to be transferred is as follows:

Certificate: 31827 in the name of ROBERT RATCLIFF (perfected under Permit G-1558)

Use: IRRIGATION

Priority Date: MARCH 15, 1960

Rate: 0.008 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND (CFS)

Limit/Duty: ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second (cfs) per acre, not to exceed

2.5 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation season of each year

Acres: 1.09 acres

Source: A WELL in the MOLALLA RIVER BASIN

**Authorized Point of Appropriation:** 

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Survey Coordinates	
4 S	1 E	WM	20	SW NE	39	21 CHAINS SOUTH AND 13 CHAINS WEST	
						FROM THE NE CORNER OF DLC 39	

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.

#### Authorized Place of Use:

IRRIGATION						
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres
4 S	1 E	WM	20	NE NE	39	0.40
4 S	1 E	WM	20	NW NE	39	0.69

3. Transfer Application T-10194 proposes to change the place of use of the right to:

IRRIGATION						
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	DLC	Acres
4 S	1 E	WM	20	SW NE	39	0.49
4 S	1 E	WM	20	NW SE	39	0.60

- 4. Notice of the application for transfer was published on June 27, 2006, pursuant to ORS 540.520 and OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- 5. Water has been used within the last five years according to the terms and conditions of the right, and no evidence is available that would demonstrate that the right is subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
- 6. A pump, pipeline, and sprinkler system sufficient to use the full amount of water allowed under the existing right is present.
- 7. The proposed change would not result in enlargement of the right.
- 8. The proposed change would not result in injury to other water rights.

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

The change in place of use proposed in Transfer Application T-10194 appears to be consistent with the requirements of ORS 537.705, 540.505 to 540.580, and OAR 690-380-5000, and will be approved provided that protests are not filed pursuant to OAR 690-380-4030.

If approved, the change and subsequent use of water shall be subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The right to 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 31827 and any related decree.
- 2. Certificate 31827 will be cancelled. A new certificate will be issued describing that portion of the right not involved in this transfer.
- 3. Water shall be acquired from the same aquifer (water source) as the original point of appropriation.
- 4. The approved changes shall be completed and full beneficial use of the water shall be made on or before **October 1, 2008.** A Claim of Beneficial Use prepared by a Certified Water Rights 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.

- 5. The former place of use of the transferred water shall no longer receive water as part of this right.
- 6. Prior to diverting water at the new point of appropriation, the water user shall install and maintain an in-line flow meter or other suitable device for measuring and recording the quantity of water appropriated. The type and plans of the measuring device must be approved by the Department prior to beginning construction and shall be installed under the general supervision of the Department.
- 7. When satisfactory proof of the completed change is received, a new certificate confirming the portion of the right transferred will be issued.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this <u>27</u> day of <u>february</u> 2007.

Phillip C. Ward, Director

Jelle Colbert

This Preliminary Determination was prepared by David Bates. If you have any questions about the information in this preliminary determination, you may reach me at (541) 385-1417 or David.D.Bates@wrd.state.or.us

Protests should be addressed to the attention of Field Services Division, Water Resources Department, 725 Summer St. NE, Salem, OR 97301-1271.