



State of Oregon  
Water Resources Department  
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# Application for Instream Lease

A summary of review criteria and procedures that are generally applicable to these applications is available at [www.wrd.state.or.us/OWRD/PUBS/forms.shtml](http://www.wrd.state.or.us/OWRD/PUBS/forms.shtml).

### Pursuant to ORS 537.348(2) and OAR 690-077

Optional Identification by Lessor/Lessee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lease Application Number (assigned by WRD): IL-634 (renewal)

This Lease is between:

**Lessor #1:**  
Name Jerry Mensch  
Mailing address 1613 Kendall St  
City, State, Zip Code Roseburg OR 97471  
Telephone number 541-677-9830  
Email address jerrytoni@msn.com

**Lessor #2, 3, etc.**  
\_\_\_\_\_

The water right to be leased is located in Douglas County.

**Lessee (if different than Oregon Water Resources Department):**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address \_\_\_\_\_

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**Trustee:**

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### ~I~ Water Right Holder and Water Right Information

- 1.1 Lessor #1 is the water right holder, or authorized agent for water right holder of the property located at: Township 27.5 N Range 10 W Section 24 and Tax Lot number 1 Ellison Acres. If the water right appurtenant to these lands is also appurtenant to lands owned by others who are not included in this application, then Attachment 1 (tax lot map), needs to be included.

1.2 Lessor #2 is the (Check one):

Not applicable

Official representative of \_\_\_\_\_, the irrigation district which conveys water to the subject water rights.

Another party with an interest in the subject water rights representing \_\_\_\_\_.

1.3 For the water right(s) being leased, list all water rights appurtenant to the same lands. Indicate if there are any supplemental or overlying rights.

Certificate No. ~~65-3309~~ Permit 28416  
31858

1.4 Are some or all of the lands being leased part of a Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program.  Yes  No

1.5 **Water Rights Proposed to be Leased Instream.**

The first right to be leased identified in Section 1.3 is further described as follows:

Certificate No.: ~~65-3309~~ - permit 28416  
31858

Priority date: 10/2/67 Type of use: irrigation

Legal Season of Use: when flow is greater than 60 cfs

Is the entire water right certificate being leased?  Yes  No

If no, list the acres of the subject water right by legal description of township, range, section, and 1/4 1/4 which will be dried up as part of this lease, and include a map (Attachment 2) showing the lands which will not receive water.

Place of use: T \_\_, R \_\_, Section \_\_, 1/4 1/4 - \_\_\_\_ acres to be leased

Enter additional places of use here, using format above:

\_\_\_\_\_

Page \_\_\_\_ (Identify page number of certificate, if certificate is greater than 10 pages.)

Number of acres being leased, if for irrigation: \_\_\_\_

Acre-feet of storage, if applicable: \_\_\_\_

Maximum rate associated with the right to be leased (cfs): \_\_\_\_

(Use additional lines if there is more than one rate associated with the water right.)

Maximum duty associated with the right to be leased (ac-ft): \_\_\_\_

(Use additional lines if there is more than one duty associated with the water right.)

Conditions or other limitations, if any: \_\_\_\_

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If you need to enter another leased right, please use the additional water rights form.

1.6 **Validity of rights.** Lessor(s) attests (mark one) that:

the water has been used over the past five years according to the terms and conditions of the water right certificate or as an instream water right or

the water has not been used over the past five years according to the terms and conditions of the water right certificate, however the water right is not subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610(2)(  )(include necessary supporting documentation as Attachment 3).

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**~II~ Instream Water Right Information**

**2.1 Public use.** This lease will increase streamflows that will benefit:

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- Conservation, maintenance and enhancement of aquatic and fish life, wildlife, and fish and wildlife habitat
- Pollution abatement
- Recreation and scenic attraction

**2.2 Instream use created by lease.** The instream use to be created is described as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_ River  
Tributary to \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ Basin.

Describe the point of diversion (POD) and any associated reach(es) of the instream use being created. If possible list the reach by river mile. If no reach is identified, and there is only one POD listed on the certificate, the lease may be processed to be protected at the POD. (If more than one POD is listed on the certificate, then the POD and any associated reach(es) must be identified): \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum volume in acre-feet: \_\_\_\_\_

Rate in cfs: \_\_\_\_\_

(Use the section below to indicate a more restrictive period of use than allowed by the water right.)

**Conditions to prevent injury, if any:**

- None
- The instream flow will be allocated on a daily average basis up to the described rate from \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_.
- Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

If you need to enter more instream uses, please use the additional water rights form.

**2.3 Term of lease.** This lease shall terminate on 12/1/2014

**2.4 Flow protection.** The Trustee will regulate use of water from the source, subject to prior appropriation and the agency enforcement guidance, to assure the water is delivered to the point of diversion, and through the reach past junior downstream users, so long as flow is sufficient to meet the demand under priority date of the new instream use (see Section 2.2). As part of regulation activities the watermaster or a designee has access to the point of diversion and place of use for the water rights involved in this lease. No party is required to continuously measure the flow of the waterway described in Section 2.2.

**~III~ Other Information**

**3.1 Accuracy.** The Undersigned Lessor(s) and Lessee(s) declare that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, the information contained in this application is true, correct and complete. If after the lease order is signed, any information is determined to be false, the lease order may be modified or terminated. The lease only exercises the water rights being leased, for the term of the lease. It shall not be construed to overcome any claim that the water right may otherwise be subject to forfeiture for nonuse pursuant to ORS 540.610 during the period of time prior to the execution of the lease.

- 3.2 Lease.** Lessor(s) and Lessee(s) agree to lease the water rights listed in Section(s) 1.5 for instream use for the term of this lease through Lessee to the Trustee, the Oregon Water Resources Department, pursuant to the provisions of ORS 537.348(2) and OAR 690-077.
- 3.3 Precedent.** If a right which has been leased is later proposed to be leased again or transferred to an instream use under ORS 537.348 and OAR 690-077 a new injury review shall be required, and a prior lease shall not set a precedent for the amount of water to be leased or transferred instream.
- 3.4 Suspension of original use.** During the period of the lease, the water right holder agrees to suspend use of water allowed under the subject water rights and under any water right that is supplemental to the subject water rights.
- 3.5 Termination provision.**
- For multiyear leases, the Lessor(s) shall have the option of terminating the lease each year with written notice to the Department. The lease may be terminated at any time during the calendar year. However, if the termination request is received less than 30-days prior to the period of allowed instream use or after the period of allowed use has begun for the water right(s) being leased, water may not be used under the right(s) leased until the following calendar year, unless the Director determines that enlargement would not occur. The Department may also require:
- Written notice to the Department with original signatures;
  - Consent by all parties to the lease; and/or
  - Written notice to the Watermaster's office.
- For multiyear leases, the lessor shall not have the option of terminating the lease, without consent by all parties to the lease.
- 3.6 Modification to prevent injury.** Allocation of water to the instream use described in Section 2.2 during the term of this lease is not reasonably expected to cause injury to other rights to use water from the same source. If injury is found after this lease is signed, the lease may be modified or terminated to prevent injury.
- 3.7 Fees.** Pursuant to ORS 536.050, the following fee is included:
- \$200 for an application with four or more landowners or four or more water rights.
- \$100 for all other applications.

Lessor #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For additional Lessors, type in space for signature and date

Lessee: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OF THE  
STATE OF OREGON**

In the Matter of the Proposed Short-Term )  
Lease of Existing Water Rights for Instream )  
Use, Certificate 31858, Douglas County )

DETERMINATION and  
FINAL ORDER ON PROPOSED  
INSTREAM LEASE

ORS 537.348 establishes the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to lease an existing water right for instream purposes. OAR Chapter 690, Division 077 implements the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating short-term instream lease applications.

**Lessor**

Jerry Mensch  
1673 Kendall  
Roseburg, Oregon 97470

**Findings of Fact**

1. Jerry Mensch filed an application to lease all of Certificate 31858 to instream use. The Department assigned the application number L-634.
2. The rights to be leased are as follows:

**Certificate 31858**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	GLot	Acres
27 S	6 W	WM	24	SE SW	5	0.10
27 S	6 W	WM	24	SW SE	5	0.40

**Point of Diversion:**

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	GLot
27 S	6 W	WM	24	SW SE	5

3. The lease application includes the information required under OAR 690-077-0077(3). The Department provided notice of the lease application pursuant to OAR 690-077-0077(6). No comments were received.
4. The instream use is as described in the lease application:  
South Umpqua River  
Tributary to Umpqua River in the Umpqua Basin

**Instream Reach:** From POD (as described in Finding of Fact #2) to mouth of S. Umpqua R.

Certificate	Priority Date	Instream Rate (cfs)	Period Protected Instream
31858	October 2, 1962	0.01	July 31 through October 1

This is a final order in other than contested case. This order is subject to judicial review under ORS 183.484. Any petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60 day time period specified by ORS 183.484(2). Pursuant to ORS 536.075 and OAR 137-004-0080 you may either petition for judicial review or petition the Director for reconsideration of this order. A petition for reconsideration may be granted or denied by the Director, and if no action is taken within 60 days following the date the petition was filed, the petition shall be deemed denied.

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5. Other conditions to prevent injury and enlargement are: The flow of the S. Umpqua River must be more than 60 cfs at its mouth
6. Based upon review of the application, comments received, information provided by the Department's Watermaster, and other available information, the Department finds that the lease will not result in injury or enlargement. This finding is made through an abbreviated review recognizing that the lease may be modified or revoked under OAR 690-077-0077 if the Department later finds that the lease is causing injury to any existing water right or enlargement of the original right.
7. If a right which has been leased is later proposed to be leased again or transferred to an instream use under ORS 537.348 and OAR 690-077-0070 or OAR 690-077-0075 a new injury review shall be required. Transfers will be subject to a full and complete review to determine consistency with the requirements of OAR Chapter 690, Division 380 and Division 077. Approval of this lease does not establish a precedent for approval of future leases or transfers.
8. The lease will terminate on October 31, 2009.
9. The lessor has requested the option of terminating the lease early with written notice to the Department.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

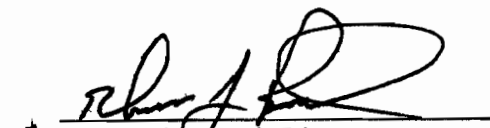
The Department concludes that the lease will not result in injury or enlargement, OAR 690-077-0077. The lease agreement conforms to the applicable provisions of OAR 690-077-0015.

**ORDER**

Therefore, it is ORDERED:

1. That the Short-Term Lease as described herein is APPROVED.
2. The former place of use shall no longer receive water as part of these rights during the term of the lease.
3. The lease shall terminate on October 31, 2009. The lessor shall have the option of terminating the lease each year, with notification to the Department by June 30 of each year, and before any irrigation has occurred on the property.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 2005.

  
 For Phillip C. Ward, Director

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Mailing date:           MAY 26 2005