



Oregon DEQ Division 33 Review Summary Sheet

Application Information

Applicant Name:	Umpqua Ranch Cooperative	Application Number:	S 88714
Basin & Sub-basin:	Umpqua, North Umpqua	Requested Water Amount:	0.049 cfs
Nearest Surface Water:	North Umpqua	Nearest Receiving Waterbody:	North Umpqua
Proposed Use:	Domestic use expanded for 111 households	Requested Period of Use:	Year Round

Division 33 Geographic Area

<input type="checkbox"/> Lower Columbia <input type="checkbox"/> Upper Columbia <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statewide	
<p>Upper and Lower Columbia Basins only: Based upon the review completed below, does the proposed use comply with existing state and federal water quality standards or may conditions be applied to bring the use into compliance?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient data
<p>Statewide: Will the proposed use result in water quality impacts that will cause either "loss" or "net loss" of essential habitat of sensitive threatened or endangered (ST&E) fish species? (Note: the presence of ST&E fish species is determined by Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient data

Recommended Pre-Proposed Final Order Actions

1. Applicant should develop a voluntary water conservation plan and provide to OWRD within 60 days of Final Order. (See additional comment section below)
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3.
Mitigation Obligation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Prior to issuance of a Proposed Final Order, the applicant shall submit a mitigation proposal that is of no less volume and rate than the permitted use. The proposal shall include water that is sourced upstream of the point of diversion or appropriation, or the uppermost point on the stream at which the potential for surface water interference occurs. If a surface water right is used for mitigation, it shall be instream for the <u>[month – month]</u> time period and of similar water quality. The applicant should contact their OWRD caseworker to discuss flow mitigation options.

Recommended Permit Conditions

<p>1. Water Quality: All water use under this permit shall comply with state and federal water quality laws. The permittee shall not violate any state and federal water quality standards, shall not cause pollution of any waters of the state, and shall not place or cause to be placed any wastes in a location where such wastes are likely to escape or be carried into the waters of the state by any means. The use may be restricted if the quality of source stream or downstream waters decrease to the point that those waters no longer meet existing state or federal water quality standards.</p>
<p>2. Flow Restrictor: The permittee shall install a flow control valve on the diversion system to limit use to the permitted rate. The valve shall be in place, functional, and verified by the Certified Water Rights Examiner before a certificate is issued. The valve or a suitable replacement shall remain in place for the life of the water right.</p>

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Additional Reviewer comments <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	
[Use this space to describe any of the following: reasoning to substantiate permit conditions; examples of additional information that may allow or disallow the use; and why any variations to the standard Division 33 review process were necessary. Designate conditions related to Division 310 with an asterisk.]	
Because there is a legal agreement among the State and County to allow a specific volumetric rate of water withdrawal from this waterbody, no mitigation for individual domestic users is being sought at this time to meet water quality standards. However, households should be encouraged to implement voluntary water conservation measures to the maximum extent practicable during the months of July, August, September and October). Applicant should develop a voluntary water conservation plan and provide to OWRD within 60 days of Final Order.	
Interagency consultation: [Describe any substantial interagency consultation. Who was contacted and what was discussed?]	
DEQ review prepared by: Heather Tugaw	Date complete: 4/2/2020

ODA Review Request

ODA review requested: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Date review sent to ODA:
ODA reviewer:	ODA review date:
ODA comments <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
[ODA: enter the results of your review here. Designate conditions related to Division 310 with an asterisk.]	

Antidegradation Policy:

The purpose of DEQ’s Antidegradation Policy (OAR 340-041-0004(1)) is to guide decisions that affect water quality to prevent unnecessary further degradation from new or increased point and nonpoint sources of pollution, and to protect, maintain, and enhance existing surface water quality to ensure the full protection of all existing beneficial uses. Oregon’s Antidegradation Policy allows exemptions and conditions for new or increased water use.

1. Temporary Use or Net Benefit

Does the applicant propose a temporary use in response to an emergency, a restoration activity that the DEQ has determined provides a net ecological benefit, or a temporary (lasting less than six months) use to protect human health and welfare, for which the applicant has demonstrated that they will minimize adverse effects to threatened and endangered species? No Yes

If yes, recommend approval of the application and identify conditions necessary to protect water quality for the habitat of ST&E fish species. You may skip to Question 7.

2. Outstanding Resource Water

Does the applicant propose withdrawing directly from an **Outstanding Resource Water** with critical habitat for ST&E fish species? No Yes

If yes, then prior to permit issuance, the applicant must provide suitable flow mitigation. You may skip to question 7.

3. Water Quality Limited

Is this source **Water Quality Limited** or a tributary to a water quality limited water body? Note: limit downstream review to 6th field HUC for parameters that diminished flow can affect (temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH, etc.). No Yes

Integrated Report 303(d) List Summary Table

Water Body (Stream/Lake)	River Miles	Parameter	Season	Criteria	Beneficial Uses	Status
North Umpqua River	0 to 52.3	Flow Modification	Undefined	The creation of tastes or odors or toxic or other conditions that are deleterious to fish or other aquatic life or affect the potability of drinking water or the palatability of fish or shellfish may not be allowed.	Salmonid fish rearing; Resident fish and aquatic life; Salmonid fish spawning	Cat 4C: Water quality limited, not a pollutant
North Umpqua River	0 to 32.8	Temperature	September 1 - May 15	Salmon and steelhead spawning: 13.0 degrees Celsius 7-day-average maximum	Salmon and steelhead spawning	Cat 5: Water quality limited, 303(d) list, TMDL needed
North Umpqua River	0 to 68.9	Temperature	Year Round (Non-spawning)	Core cold water habitat: 16.0 degrees Celsius 7-day-average maximum	Core cold water habitat	Cat 4A: Water quality limited, TMDL approved
Umpqua River	36.4 to 46.8	Aquatic Weeds Or Algae	Undefined	The development of fungi or other growths having a deleterious effect on stream bottoms, fish or other aquatic life, or which are injurious to health, recreation or industry may not be allowed.	Fishing; Water contact recreation; Drinking water; Aesthetics; Livestock watering; Water supply	Cat 5: Water quality limited, 303(d) list, TMDL needed
Umpqua River	25.9 to 109.3	E. Coli	Fall Winter Spring	30-day log mean of 126 E. coli organisms per 100 ml; no single sample > 406 organisms per 100 ml	Water contact recreation	Cat 4A: Water quality limited, TMDL approved
Umpqua River	0 to 25.9	Fecal Coliform	Year Round	Fecal coliform median of 14 organisms per 100 ml; no more than 10% > 43 organisms per 100 ml	Shellfish growing	Cat 4A: Water quality limited, TMDL approved
Umpqua River	25.9 to 109.3	Flow Modification	Undefined	The creation of tastes or odors or toxic or other conditions that are deleterious to fish or other aquatic life or affect the potability of drinking water or	Resident fish and aquatic life; Salmonid fish rearing; Salmonid fish spawning	Cat 4C: Water quality limited, not a pollutant

				the palatability of fish or shellfish may not be allowed.		
Umpqua River	25.9 to 109.3	pH	Summer	pH 6.5 to 8.5	Water contact recreation; Resident fish and aquatic life; Salmonid fish spawning; Salmonid fish rearing; Anadromous fish passage	Cat 5: Water quality limited, 303(d) list, TMDL needed
Umpqua River	0 to 100.2	Temperature	Year Round (Non-spawning)	Salmon and trout rearing and migration: 18.0 degrees Celsius 7-day-average maximum	Salmon and trout rearing and migration	Cat 4A: Water quality limited, TMDL approved

Analysis: [If the answer to question 3 is yes, then describe how the use does or does not comply with existing state and federal water quality standards, and how the use may affect ST&E fish species habitat.]

The Umpqua Basin Temperature TMDL identifies stream flow reductions as a potential source of anthropogenic stream warming. The critical period is summer when peak temperatures occur in June, July, August, and September.

Temperature is a flow-related parameter. When streamflow is reduced, assimilative capacity is reduced. By reducing streamflow, this use is likely to exacerbate the temperature impairment. Increases in temperature or a reduction in dissolved oxygen adversely impacts sensitive, threatened, and endangered fish. Fish require different temperature and concentrations of dissolved oxygen based on species and life history stage. Oregon's temperature and dissolved oxygen limits are based on the most sensitive species and the life history stage of those species at the location and season of concern. The temperature concentrations of hydrologically connected waterbodies are known to be insufficient for the habitat of sensitive, threatened, and endangered fish. Additional heat or reduction in dissolved oxygen concentrations will further impact these species habitat.

Recommended Conditions: [Consider if water quality can be protected by limiting the rate and quantity of water used, period of use, or by including other permit conditions.]

Mitigation or limit season of use. Water quality. Implement conservation measures.

4. Total Maximum Daily Load Summary

Are there TMDLs established for parameters identified as being affected by flow modification? No Yes

Analysis: [List TMDL, identify the load allocation, and if flow modification is a contributing factor. Describe how the use does or does not comply with existing state and federal water quality standards and how the use may affect ST&E fish species habitat.]

Excerpt from Chapter 3, Umpqua Basin, Stream Temperature TMDL. 3.7.14 North Umpqua River (Steamboat Creek to the Mouth).

Heat Source simulations were performed for July 12-31, 2002. These temperatures represent the summertime critical period for the North Umpqua River.

The North Umpqua River from Steamboat Creek to the mouth has a flow rate greater than 600 cfs and is well vegetated. The North Umpqua hydroelectric project impacts stream temperatures and thus, the current condition is warmer than the natural thermal potential all the way to the mouth. The ample flow volume of the North Umpqua River naturally attenuates heat loss and absorption, so the upstream thermal effects are observed many miles downstream. In general, larger, deeper rivers gain or lose heat less quickly than smaller, shallower streams.

In summary, the difference between the current condition and natural thermal potential stream temperatures is primarily due to upstream influences of the hydroelectric project area.

The natural thermal potential temperature exceeds the numeric criterion (16°C) so there is no assimilative capacity for the North Umpqua River below Steamboat Creek. Besides the human use allowance (0.1°C), all sources are allocated zero heat loads above background. Natural disturbance is considered a background source.

Recommended Conditions: [Consider if water quality can be protected by limiting the rate and quantity of water used, period of use, or by including other permit conditions.]

Mitigation or limit season of use. Water quality. Implement conservation measures.

5. Cumulative Withdrawals Effects

Is it likely that the proposed activity, together with existing withdrawals in the OWRD's Water Availability Basin (WAB), will lower water quality and impair aquatic life? No Yes

Water Availability Summary Table

Percent of natural flow = (consumptive use/natural stream flow)*100. See Appendix for detailed instructions.

[Water Availability Basin]: N Umpqua R > Umpqua R – AB Little R

Watershed ID	Exceedance Level	Month	Natural Stream Flow	Consumptive Use	Expected Stream Flow	Reserved Stream Flows	Instream Requirement	Net Water Available	Percent of Flow
71173	50	JAN	3420	1.53	3420	0	3300	118	0.0%
71173	50	FEB	3620	1.56	3620	0	3300	318	0.0%
71173	50	MAR	3380	1.32	3380	0	3400	-21.3	0.0%
71173	50	APR	3570	1.55	3570	0	2900	668	0.0%
71173	50	MAY	3070	1.95	3070	0	2200	868	0.1%
71173	50	JUN	1740	3.44	1740	0	1800	-63.4	0.2%
71173	50	JUL	1130	3.78	1130	0	1020	106	0.3%
71173	50	AUG	950	3.48	947	0	1020	-73.5	0.4%
71173	50	SEP	940	3.15	937	0	1020	-83.1	0.3%
71173	50	OCT	1140	1.36	1140	0	1020	119	0.1%
71173	50	NOV	1930	1.41	1930	0	1700	229	0.1%

71173	50	DEC	3350	1.51	3350	0	3500	-152	0.0%
71173	50	ANN	1700000	1570	1700000	0	1580000	146000	0.1%

Monthly flow in Cubic Feet per Second (CFS). Annual flow in Acre Feet (AF). Highlight months that exceed 20% of percent of flow.

6. Flow Modification Compliance with State and Federal Water Quality Standards

Based on responses to questions 3, 4, and 5, is the use in compliance with state and federal water quality standards or can compliance with state and federal water quality standards be assured, and ST&E habitat loss prevented by limiting the amount diverted, period of use, or by imposing permit condition(s)?

No Yes

- If yes:

Recommended Conditions: [If water quality can be protected by modifying or limiting the amount diverted, period of use, or other permit conditions, then select appropriate condition from the conditions list.]

Conservation measures, water quality, flow restrictor

- If no, can **flow mitigation** ensure compliance with state and federal water quality standards and prevent loss of ST&E habitat? No Yes

7. Compliance with other State and Federal Water Quality Standards

ORS 468B.025 prohibits pollution of waters of the state. Are there additional water quality impairments that would result from this proposed used by degrading surface water or groundwater quality?

No Yes

If water quality can be protected by applying permit conditions, then select all appropriate conditions from the standardized menu of conditions.

Recommended conditions: [List conditions] Water Quality

PRE-PROPOSED FINAL ORDER ACTIONS

DEQ requests that the applicant provide suitable replacement water as mitigation for anticipated impacts to water quality and more specifically the habitat of sensitive, threatened, and endangered fish species. Additional mitigation may be required from other Interagency Review Team members (for example: OWRD may require mitigation for periods when water is not available). Surface water flow mitigation is unlikely to provide the same benefit that groundwater can provide to gaining stream reaches. However, if groundwater mitigation is unavailable within the same aquifer, surface water mitigation may provide suitable mitigation.

Flow Mitigation Obligation:

Prior to issuance of a Proposed Final Order, the applicant shall submit a mitigation proposal that is of no less volume and rate than the permitted use. The proposal shall include water that is sourced upstream of the point of diversion or appropriation, or the uppermost point on the stream at which the potential for surface water interference occurs. If a surface water right is used for mitigation, it shall be instream for the *month - month time period* and of similar water quality. The applicant should contact their OWRD caseworker to discuss flow mitigation options.

Riparian: If the riparian area is disturbed in the process of developing, modifying or repairing a point of diversion under this water use permit, the permittee shall be responsible for restoration and enhancement of such riparian area in accordance with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's Habitat Mitigation Policy described in Oregon Administrative Rule OAR Chapter 635-415. Prior to development, modification or repairs at the point of diversion, the permittee shall submit, to the Oregon Water Resources Department, either a Riparian Mitigation Plan approved in writing by Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) or a written declaration from ODFW that riparian mitigation is not necessary. The permittee shall maintain the riparian area for the life of the permit and subsequent certificate per the approved Riparian Mitigation Plan. The permittee is hereby directed to contact the local Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Fish Biologist prior to development of the point of diversion.

Water Storage Construction: The applicant shall locate the reservoir outside of the stream's natural channel. *identify waterbody and set back to prevent stream capture and justification for distance selected.*

(Note to reviewer: The 1200C permit requires a 50-foot setback, which is cited from the National General Construction Permit OAR-660-023-0090(5). Requiring the storage reservoir to be outside of the mapped 100 year floodway may also be a protective buffer.)

STANDARIZED MENU OF CONDITIONS

Water Quality: All water use under this permit shall comply with state and federal water quality laws. The permittee shall not violate any state and federal water quality standards, shall not cause pollution of any waters of the state, and shall not place or cause to be placed any wastes in a location where such wastes are likely to escape or be carried into the waters of the state by any means. The use may be restricted if the quality of source stream or downstream waters decrease to the point that those waters no longer meet existing state or federal water quality standards.

Agricultural Water Quality Management Area Rules: The permittee shall comply with basin-specific Agricultural Water Quality Management Area Rules described in Oregon Administrative Rule Chapter 603-095. The permittee shall protect riparian areas, including through irrigation practices and the management of any livestock, allowing site capable vegetation to establish and grow along streams, while providing the following functions: shade (on perennial and some intermittent streams), bank stability, and infiltration or filtration of overland runoff.

Flow Restrictor: The permittee shall install a flow control valve on the diversion system to limit use to the permitted rate. The valve shall be in place, functional, and verified by the Certified Water Rights Examiner before a certificate is issued. The valve or a suitable replacement shall remain in place for the life of the water right.

Limit Rate: Water withdrawal shall be limited to *Enter CFS or AF for the defined period, or a month by month rate or volume.*

Limit Period of Use: Water use shall be limited to the period: *start date through end date.*
(Note to reviewer: Do not split the irrigation season. Require mitigation if water is not available during the requested time period.)

Limit Diversion: The permittee shall not divert water under this water use permit unless streamflow in the *waterbody name* is at or above *CFS* cubic foot per second, as determined at Gaging Station ID _____.

Off-Channel Stored Water Releases: The permittee shall not release polluted water from this off-channel reservoir into waters of the state except when the release is directed by the State Engineer to prevent dam failure.

On-Channel Reservoir: The permittee shall design and operate the water storage facility such that all waters within and below the reservoir meet water quality criteria. The permittee shall develop a reservoir operations plan that details how water quality criteria and standards will be met. A Certified Water Rights Examiner shall verify that the reservoir operations are consistent with the plan before a certificate is issued. The reservoir operator shall maintain a copy of the plan and make it available for review upon request.

Restrict Reservoir Release: To prevent pollution downstream, the permittee shall not release water from the reservoir when the flow at Gaging Station ID _____ (*gage name*) is below the Mean Daily Discharge of *CFS* (discharge which was equaled or exceeded for 90% percent of the time) except when the release is directed by the State Engineer to prevent dam failure.

Live Flow: Once the allocated volume has been stored, permittee shall pass all live flow downstream at a rate equal to inflow, using methods that protect instream water quality.

Lining: The permittee shall line the reservoir with *include material or allowable infiltration rate* to minimize seepage and protect groundwater quality per Oregon Administrative Rule 340-040. The liner is to be in place, inspected, and approved by the Certified Water Rights examiner prior to storage of water.* If the liner fails, the water user shall replace it within one calendar year.

Site-Specific Condition: The permittee shall

* OAR 690-410-0010(2)(a), OAR 690-310-0120, OAR 690-310-0140

Appendix: General Overview, Instructions for Water Availability Analysis, and Process Flow Chart

General Overview

The purpose of OAR Chapter 690, Division 33 is to aid the Oregon Water Resources Department (OWRD) in determining whether a proposed use will impair or be detrimental to the public interest with regard to listed sensitive, threatened, or endangered (ST&E) fish species. Oregon’s stream temperature, dissolved oxygen (DO), pH and several other water quality standards are based on the life cycle needs of salmonids and other resident fish and aquatic life. Exceeding the standards can disrupt the life cycle of a ST&E fish species and may cause death. In addition, OWRD must consider water quality impacts as part of a public interest review, OAR 690-310-0120. Water quality impacts and conditions unrelated to ST&E species should be noted as “Division 310” in the recommendations to OWRD. The DEQ’s Water Right Application Review Procedures document contains a full description of the review process.

The two main categories of Division 33 reviews are based on the geographic distribution of ST&E fish species:

- **For Proposed Uses in the Columbia River Basin**, reviews must determine whether a proposed use complies with existing state and federal water quality standards. Upper Columbia applications specifically require applicants to provide evidence that the proposed use complies with existing state and federal water quality standards. Geographic scope: Columbia River Basin (includes all waters that ultimately drain into the Columbia River).
- **For Proposed Uses Statewide**, review is conducted under the “Statewide review” procedure. Statewide reviews must determine whether a proposed use may affect ST&E fish species habitat. The statewide review procedure is intended to identify permit conditions that can prevent the “loss” or “net loss” of essential habitat of ST&E fish species. When permit conditions cannot be identified that meet this standard, then the DEQ recommends denial of the permit. Geographic scope: all areas outside the Columbia River Basin where OWRD determines ST&E fish species are present.

Instructions for Populating the Water Availability Summary Table using data from OWRD’s WAB (Section 5)

- Open OWRD’s Water Availability Reporting System.
- Search for the water availability basin of interest. Select 50% exceedance. The 50% exceedance stream flow is the stream flow that occurs at least half of the time.
- The water availability analysis will display a nested list of watersheds that contain the POD. Select the highest nesting order WAB that contains the POD.
- Download to an Excel spreadsheet. Percent of flow is calculated using this equation:

$$\text{Percent of Flow} = \frac{\text{Consumptive Use}}{\text{Natural Stream Flow}} * 100$$

You may choose to add the proposed rate (or storage amount) to the consumptive use.

Instructions for Water Availability Analysis

To complete Section 6, review and consider the cumulative impact of consumptive withdrawals using the **OWRD WAB**. All water withdrawals and the following factors should be considered when conducting a water availability analysis.

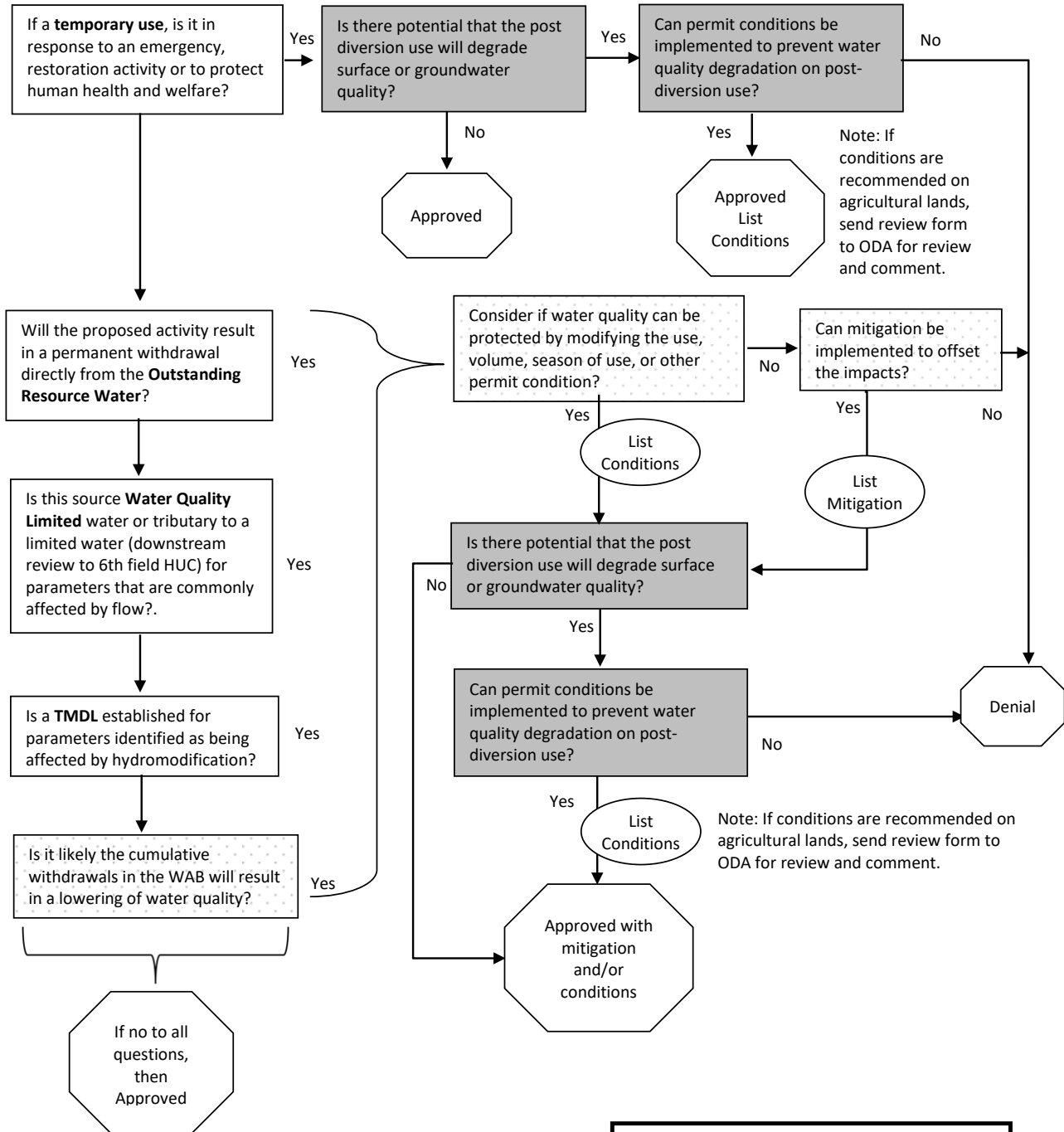
- **Instream Flow**: Consider the percent of natural flow left instream in each month (see right-most column in Table 1). Based on best professional judgment, evaluate if the cumulative withdrawal is likely to cause

impairment to aquatic life or water quality. Water quality standards are established to protect aquatic life. In scientific literature, researchers have identified ecological harm occurring when flows are reduced by [>6-35% of daily flow](#)¹. Consider the seasonality of any listings and season of withdrawal to determine impact for each month of the year.

- **Antidegradation:** Rule 340-041-0004 applies: withdrawals cannot cumulatively increase a waterbody's temperature by more than 0.5 degrees Fahrenheit or cause a 0.1 mg/l decrease in dissolved oxygen from the upstream end of a stream reach to the downstream end of the reach so long as it has no adverse effects on threatened and endangered species. See OAR [340-041-0004\(3\)-\(5\)](#) for a description in rule of activities that do not result in lowering of water quality.
- **Flow modification:** Consider if cumulative withdrawals are contributing to flow modification and a likely limiting factor in the waterbody at certain times of the year. Temperature and dissolved oxygen are flow-related parameters. When streamflow is reduced, assimilative capacity is reduced. As a waterbody heats up, dissolved oxygen concentrations decline. Reduced stream flows (including groundwater inputs to streamflow), exacerbate temperature and/or dissolved oxygen impairments.
- **Temperature:** Increases in temperature or a reduction in dissolved oxygen adversely impacts ST&E fish. Fish require different temperature and concentrations of dissolved oxygen based on species and life history stage. Oregon's temperature and dissolved oxygen limits are based on the most sensitive species and the life history stage of those species at the location and season of concern. Additional heat or reduction in dissolved oxygen concentrations will further impact these species habitat. Reduced flows can also increase the concentrations of phosphorous, bacteria, pesticides and metals.

¹ Richter BD, Davis MM, Apse C, Konrad C. 2011. *Short Communication, A Presumptive Standard For Environmental Flow Protection*. River Research and Applications. Published online in Wiley Online Library (wileyonlinelibrary.com), DOI: 10.002/rra.1551

DEQ Water Right Review Flow Chart



Each yes will need to be explained by how the use does not comply with existing state and federal water quality standards and how the use may affect sensitive, threatened or endangered fish species habitat.

Note: Review based on DEQ's anti-degradation rule (340-041-0004).

	Best Professional Judgment and Data
	Data
	Best Professional Judgment