

Oregon Water Resources Department
Water Right Services Division

Application for Extension of Time

In the Matter of the Application for an Extension of Time)
for Permit S-53683, Water Right Application S-80302,) FINAL
in the name of the Coos Bay North Bend Water Board) ORDER

Permit Information

Application File S-80302/ Permit S-53683

Basin 17 – South Coast Basin / Watermaster District 15

Date of Priority: May 11, 1995

Authorized Use of Water

Source of Water: Upper Pony Creek Reservoir, constructed under
Permits R-1064 and R-8518 and to be enlarged
under Permit R-12822, a tributary of Pony Creek

Purpose or Use: Municipal Use

Maximum Rate: 4,100 acre-feet (AF)

This Extension of Time request is being processed in accordance with Oregon Revised Statute 537.230 and 539.010(5), and Oregon Administrative Rule Chapter 690, Division 315.

Appeal Rights

This final order is subject to judicial review by the Court of Appeals under ORS 183.482. Any petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60-day time period specified by ORS 183.482(1). Pursuant to ORS 536.075 and OAR 137-003-0675, you may 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.

Application History

Permit S-53683 was issued by the Department on April 7, 2000. and modified by Permit Amendment T-7490 on <permit amendment issue date>. The permit called for completion of construction by October 1, , and complete application of water to beneficial use by October 1, 2004. The most recent extension authorized completion of construction and complete application of water to beneficial use by October 1, . On November 27, 2012, Coos Bay North Bend Water Board submitted an application to the Department for an extension of time for Permit S-53683.

In accordance with OAR 690-315-0050(2), on September 10, 2024, the Department issued a Proposed Final Order proposing to extend the time to complete construction to October 1, 2030, and the time to fully apply water to beneficial use to October 1, 2030. The protest period closed October 25, 2024, in accordance with OAR 690-315-0060(1). No protest was filed.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Department adopts and incorporates by reference the findings of fact in the Proposed Final Order dated September 10, 2024.

At time of issuance of the Proposed Final Order the Department concluded that, based on the factors demonstrated by the applicant, the permit may be extended subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

1. Development Limitations

A maximum diversion of 646 AF of water is currently allowed under Permit S-53683. Any diversion of water beyond 646 AF (not to exceed the maximum amount authorized under the permit, being 4100 AF) shall only be authorized upon issuance of a final order approving a Water Management and Conservation Plan (WMCP) under OAR Chapter 690, Division 86 that authorizes access to a greater rate of diversion of water under the permit consistent with OAR 690-086-0130(7). The required WMCP shall be submitted to the Department within 3 years of this Final Order. The amount of water used under Permit S-53683 must be consistent with this and subsequent WMCP's approved under OAR Chapter 690, on file with the Department.

The Development Limitation established in the above paragraph supersedes any prior limitation of the diversion of water under Permit S-53683 that has been established under a prior WMCP or Extension final order issued by the Department.

The deadline established in the Extension Final Order for submittal of a WMCP shall not relieve a permit holder of any existing or future requirement for submittal of a WMCP at an earlier date as established through other orders of the Department. A WMCP submitted to meet the requirements of the final order may also meet the WMCP submittal requirements of other Department orders.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

The applicant has demonstrated good cause for the permit extension pursuant to ORS 537.230, 539.010(5) and OAR 690-315-0080(3).

ORDER

The extension of time for Application S-80302, Permit S-53683, therefore, is approved subject to conditions contained herein. The deadline for completing construction is extended to October 1, 2030. The deadline for applying water to full beneficial use within the terms and conditions the permit is extended to October 1, 2030.

DATED: November 15, 2024



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