



Water Right Application Initial Review

April 25, 2025

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Reference: Application G-19419

This document is to inform you of the preliminary analysis of the water-use permit application and to describe your options. In determining whether an application may be approved, the Water Resources Department (Department) must consider the factors listed below, all of which must be favorable to the proposed use if it is to be allowed. Based on the information supplied, the Department has made the following preliminary determinations:

Preliminary Determinations under Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 690-310-0080:

1. Application G-19419 proposes the appropriation of 0.18 cubic foot per second (CFS) of water from Well L-16014 (LANE 16014) in Rattle Snake Creek Basin, further limited to 49.0 acre-feet (AF) annually for irrigation of 24.0 acres from May 1 through September 30, and 1.0 AF annually for nursery use on 0.1 acre from February 1 through October 31 of each year.
2. The proposed use is not prohibited by law or rule except where otherwise noted below.
3. Uses included in nursery use are included in irrigation and agriculture use, both of which are allowed under the Willamette Basin Program (OAR 690-502-0160(2)).
4. The proposed groundwater use is not within a designated critical groundwater area. OAR 690-310-0080(1)(a).
5. An assessment of groundwater availability has been completed by the Department. A copy of this assessment is in the file and can be viewed on the Department's website. Groundwater for the

Please note: Applications are evaluated using the rules in effect at the time the application is accepted as complete. To view the rules relevant for this application, please visit: <https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/displayCompilations> and navigate to Chapter 690 (Water Resources Department).

proposed use is not over-appropriated. In addition, the Department has determined that the proposed groundwater use will not have the potential for substantial interference (PSI) with surface water. OAR 690-009-0040. Therefore, water is available for the proposed use. OAR 690-310-0080(1)(b); OAR 690-300-0010(57).

6. If properly conditioned (and if authorized), the proposed use of groundwater will not injure other water rights.
7. The proposed use is not located within or above any state or federal scenic waterway.
8. The application proposed a rate and duty for nursery use that is higher than the general basin-wide standard of 0.15 CFS per acre and 5.0 AF per acre per year, and the applicant has not submitted information that demonstrates the need for the higher rate and duty for the Department to consider. In absence of other information, if the application is approved, the rate and duty allowed for nursery use will be limited to 0.015 CFS (or 0.15 CFS per acre) and 0.5 AF (or 5.0 AF per acre per year).
9. Documentation has been submitted from the relevant land-use planning jurisdiction that indicates the proposed use is allowed outright.
10. See **Additional Information Required** section below for deficiencies with the application.

Summary of Preliminary Determinations
The appropriation of 0.18 CFS of water from Well L-16014 (LANE 16014) in Rattle Snake Creek Basin, further limited to 49.0 acre-feet (AF) annually for irrigation of 24.0 acres from May 1 through September 30, and no more than 0.015 CFS and 0.5 AF annually for nursery use on 0.1 acres from February 1 through October 31 of each year may be allowable. See <u>Additional Information Required</u> section below for more details.

Additional Information Required:

Additional information is required to process your application prior to issuance of any Proposed Final Order that may recommend approval. Please provide the following:

- A. The map submitted does not meet the requirements of OAR 690-310-0050(4)(a) and (c). The measured distance for Well L-16014 places the well in the SWNW quarter quarter of Section 35 while the map places it in the NWNW quarter quarter of Section 35. Please provide a map correcting the location of Well L-16014. Additionally, please provide a map that identifies the location of the proposed place of use to the nearest quarter-quarter section and indicates the number of acres proposed to be irrigated in each quarter-quarter section. It appears additional quarter-quarters need to be identified on the map.

Please submit this information no later than May 29, 2025. If you are unable to submit the information listed above by this date, you may request an administrative hold for up to an additional 180 days. You must submit the request in writing, stating how much more time is needed and why you

need additional time. If an administrative hold is granted, your application will not be processed further until the requested information is received or the extended deadline has passed.

Public Comment:

Public interest issues and/or public comments will be addressed as the Department prepares a Proposed Final Order. If significant public interest issues are identified, they could have an impact on the eventual outcome of the application.

At this time, you must decide whether to proceed or to withdraw the application.

- **To Proceed** - If you choose to proceed with the application, you do not have to notify the Department. The application will be placed on the Department's Public Notice to allow others the opportunity to comment. After the comment period the Department will complete a public interest review and issue a Proposed Final Order.
- **To Withdraw** - You may withdraw the application and receive a refund (minus a \$310 processing fee). You must notify the Department **in writing** by **May 9, 2025**. For your convenience you may use the enclosed "STOP PROCESSING" form.

If a permit is issued, it will likely include the following conditions:

1. Construction of the well shall begin within five years of the date of permit issuance. The deadline to begin construction may not be extended. This permit is subject to cancellation proceedings if the construction deadline to begin is missed.
2. If the number, location, source, or construction of any well deviates from that proposed in the permit application or required by permit conditions, this permit may not be valid, unless the Department authorizes the change in writing.
3. **Water Use Measurement, Recording, and Reporting:**
 - A. Before water use may begin under this permit, the permittee shall install a totalizing flow meter at each point of appropriation. The permittee shall maintain the device in good working order.
 - B. The permittee shall allow the watermaster access to the device; provided however, where any device is located within a private structure, the watermaster shall request access upon reasonable notice.
 - C. The permittee shall keep a complete record of the volume of water used each month, and shall submit an annual report which includes the recorded water-use measurements to the Department annually, or more frequently as may be required by the Director. Further, the Director may require the permittee to report general water-use information, including the place and nature of use of water under the permit.

- D. The Director may provide an opportunity for the permittee to submit alternative measuring and reporting procedures for review and approval.

4. Groundwater Level Measurement, Reporting, and Shut-Off Condition:

For each well on this authorization, beginning on the permit signature date for existing wells or in the year well construction is completed for new wells, and each year thereafter, the permit holder must report a static water-level measurement ("measurement") taken in March. The measurement is required whether the well is used or not. If pumping is to commence following completion of the well and prior to the next March, then a measurement must be made at least one week following well completion and before pumping commences.

Measurements must be properly reported within 30 days of measurement using forms specified by the Department. A measurement will be properly reported if the submission includes all required information as listed in the document attached. Measurements must be made with equipment that is accurate to the standards specified in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 690-217-0045.

Measurements must be made by a certified water rights examiner, registered professional geologist, registered professional engineer, licensed land surveyor, licensed well constructor, pump installer licensed by the Construction Contractors Board, or Department staff. The Department is not responsible for regular measurement of the static water level, but Department staff may measure the well during the normal course of groundwater level monitoring or to confirm the submitted measurement(s).

For each well on this permit, the Department has established a reference groundwater level using the best available data (see table below). In case the permit is amended or the subsequent certificate is transferred, the Department may establish a new reference level for any new or additional wells under new permits or certificates issued under this right. The reference level for a new or additional well should reflect the highest static water level in that well or, if that measurement occurred after the time represented by the original reference level, then the water level that would have been measured in that well, if the well existed and was measured at the time represented by the original reference level.

The Department established the following reference levels for the following wells on this permit:

POA Number	Well Name	Well Log ID	Water Level Depth (feet below land surface)	Measurement Date (if applicable)
1	L-16014	LANE 16014	6.71	1/5/2011

All water use authorized under this permit must immediately stop if any of the following occur:

- A. Any annual high elevation static groundwater level in any well on this permit declines 25 or more feet below the reference level for that well, or
- B. Groundwater levels are not measured and properly reported as specified above for any completed well that is authorized on the permit for two consecutive years, or

- C. Hydraulic interference contributes to a decline of 25 or more feet in any neighboring well with senior priority, at any time during the year.

The Department will determine when any of the above conditions have occurred and may order the permit holder to stop all water use under this permit. The permit holder is also responsible for stopping all water use if they become aware that any of the conditions have occurred, even without notice from the Department. Following such a stop, water use under this permit will not be allowed and may only resume once the permit holder receives notice from the Department. If the permit holder fails to stop use, then the Department may take control of the controlling works of any wells authorized under this permit and may reduce the amount of groundwater pumped until the unlawful use is eliminated.

The permit holder acknowledges that one or more of the conditions requiring stoppage of use may occur prior to any use of any well on this permit.

The Department may allow the permit holder to pause annual water level measurement and reporting requirements from some of the permitted wells if measurements from those wells are redundant with other data being collected by the Department. The permit holder must receive written notification of such an allowance before stopping measurements. If this happens, the Department may reinstate the measurement requirements at any time.

5. Groundwater production shall be only from the alluvium groundwater reservoir.

6. Well Identification Tag:

Prior to using water from any well listed on this permit, the permittee shall ensure that the well has been assigned an OWRD Well Identification Number (Well ID tag), which shall be permanently attached to the well. The Well ID shall be used as a reference in any correspondence regarding the well, including any reports of water use, water level, or pump test data.

The water source identified in the application may be affected by an Agricultural Water Quality Management Area Plan. These plans are developed by the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) with the cooperation of local landowners and other interested stakeholders, and help to ensure that current and new appropriations of water are done in a way that does not adversely harm the environment. You are encouraged to explore ODA's website at www.oregon.gov/ODA to learn more about the plans and how they may affect the proposed water use.

For Further Information:

Feel free to contact me at Adam.M.Frederick@water.oregon.gov or 971-707-8400 if you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter or the application. Please include the application number in all correspondence. General questions about water rights and water use permits should be directed to our customer service staff at 503-986-0900. When corresponding by mail, please use this address: Adam Frederick, Oregon Water Resources Department, 725 Summer St NE Ste A, Salem OR 97301-1266. Our fax number is 503-986-0901.

Sincerely,

Adam Frederick

Adam Frederick
Water Right Application Specialist
Oregon Water Resources Department

Enclosures: Application Process Description
Stop Processing Request Form
Copy of Application Map

G-19419
WAB: No PSI
Proposed to Approve

APPLICATION FACT SHEET

Application File Number: G-19419

Applicant: STEPHANIE DOAN AND COLIN CARVER

County: LANE

Watermaster: LANAYA F. BLAKELY, #2, NWR

Priority Date: FEBRUARY 8, 2024

Source: WELL L-16014 (LANE 16014) IN RATTLE SNAKE CREEK BASIN

Use: IRRIGATION OF 24.0 ACRES AND NURSERY USE ON 0.1 ACRES

Quantity: 0.18 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND, FURTHER LIMITED TO 50.0 ACRE-FEET (AF)
ANNUALLY, BEING 49.0 AF ANNUALLY FOR IRRIGATION AND 1.0 AF ANNUALLY FOR
NURSERY USE

Period of Use: NURSERY USE – FEBRUARY 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 31
IRRIGATION – MAY 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30

Basin Name & Number: WILLAMETTE, #2

Well Location(s):

POA Name	Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
L-16014 (LANE 16014)	18 S	2 W	WM	35	SW NW	1622 FEET SOUTH AND 1728 FEET WEST FROM NE CORNER, DLC 59

Place of Use:

IRRIGATION USE					
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
18 S	2 W	WM	34	NE NE	3.0
18 S	2 W	WM	35	NW NW	21.0

NURSERY USE					
Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
18 S	2 W	WM	35	NW NW	0.1

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE: April 29, 2025

14 DAY STOP PROCESSING DEADLINE DATE: May 9, 2025

30 DAY COMMENT DEADLINE DATE: May 29, 2025

APPLICATION PROCESS DESCRIPTION FOR GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER AND REGULAR RESERVOIR APPLICATIONS

In order to use the waters of Oregon, an application must be submitted and a permit obtained from the Water Resources Department. The water must be used for beneficial purpose without waste. For more information about water right topics, weekly public notice, forms and fees please visit our website at: www.oregon.gov/owrd

1. Pre-application considerations

- Follow instructions in the application packet.
- If you have questions about completing an application or would like to arrange a pre-application conference contact the Department's Water Rights Customer Service Group at (503) 986-0900.

2. Application filing

- Application with fee is received by the Department.
- Department determines completeness of application.
- If use is not allowed by statute (ORS 538), the application and fees are returned to the applicant.
- An incomplete application and fees are returned to the applicant.
- Only a complete application receives a tentative priority date, is assigned a caseworker, and moves forward for processing.

3. Initial Review (IR)

- Caseworker reviews application by considering basin plans, water availability, statutory restrictions, and all other appropriate factors.
- Caseworker sends IR report to Applicant.
- Four days after date of the IR, it is included in Department's weekly Public Notice.
- Public comments must be submitted within 30 days after the Public Notice.

4. Proposed Final Order (PFO)

- Caseworker evaluates application against required criteria and develops draft permit, if appropriate.
- PFO includes instructions for filing of protests.
- Caseworker considers public comments and mails PFO to Applicant.
- The PFO is included in Department's weekly Public Notice.
- Public protests to the PFO must be submitted within 45 days after the Public Notice.

5. Final Order (FO)

- If no protest is filed, Final Order is issued.

The protest process

If one or more protests are filed, the process consists of:

- settlement discussion;
- contested case hearing;
- Proposed Order;
- period of time to file exceptions; or
- possible hearing by Water Resources Commission.
- Final Order is issued.

Permit holder responsibilities

- Comply with all water use conditions of the permit.
- Advise Department of address change or assignment to new permit holder.
- If need arises, request extension of time or authorize cancellation of permit.
- Submit timely claim of beneficial use (COBU) to the Department.
- Most permits require COBU to be prepared by a Certified Water Right Examiner.
- Permits may be canceled by the permit holder or by the Department for failure to comply with or one or more permit conditions.

STOP PROCESSING REQUEST FORM

FOR GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER AND REGULAR RESERVOIR APPLICATIONS

- Stop processing deadline is within 14 days of Initial Review.

Applicant notification to withdraw Water Right Application **G-19419**.

After reviewing the Initial Review for my application, I request that processing be stopped, and fees be refunded (minus a \$310 processing fee). I understand that without a valid permit, I may not legally use the water as requested in my application.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Under ORS 537.150(5) and 537.620(5), timely submission of this request authorizes that the water right application process be stopped, and all filing fees (except \$310 processing fee) be returned.

- This notice must be received by the Water Resources Department no later than:

May 9, 2025

- Return the notice to:

OWRD, Water Right Services Division
STOP PROCESSING
725 Summer Street, NE - Suite A
Salem, OR 97301-1266

NE CORNER ABEL RUSSEL DONATION
LAND CLAIM NO. 59, T18S, R2W, WM

Diverserion Location: 1622' S, 1728' W of
NE Corner Abel Russel Donation Land
Claim No. 59

34 NE/NE ! 35 NW/NW

260591 ALPES

EAST 536.49' TO R/W

Tax Map/Lot: 1802350002402

Tax lot boundary

Irrigation area

34 NE/NE

35 NW/NW

total area requested: 24 acres

Nursery area

map not to scale

total area requested: 0.1 acres

Diversion Location (W)

Township: 18S

Range: 02W

Sections: 35, 34

Quarter/Quarters: 35NW/NW,

34 NE/NE

Tax lot: 2402

SE CORNER ABEL RUSSEL
DONATION LAND CLAIM NO. 41, T19S, R2W WM

Quarter/Quarter boundary

Proposed Pipelines

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