CONSTRUCTION

Date of approval

Date completed ......

Action suspended until ......

Address ..... Date filed . Returned to applicant ......

PROSECUTION OF WORK

Form "B" filed .....

Form "A" filed ..

Form "C" filed ...

Date for application of water .....

Extended to ...

Date for completion ..... Date for beginning ...

Extended to .....

Receipt for recording fee No. .....

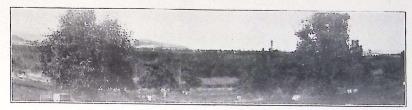
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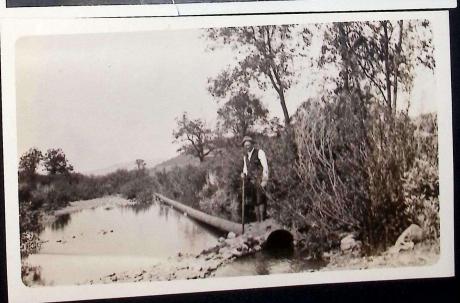
MERIDIAN ORCHARD CO.
MEDFORD. OREGON



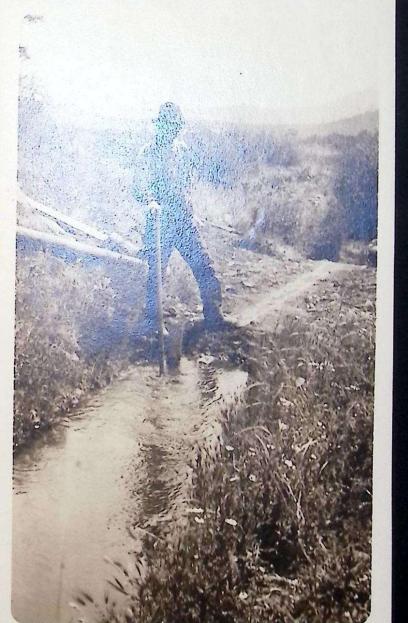
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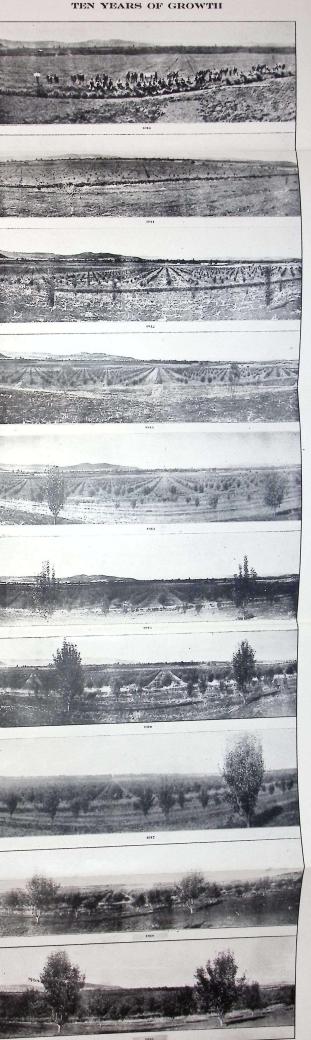








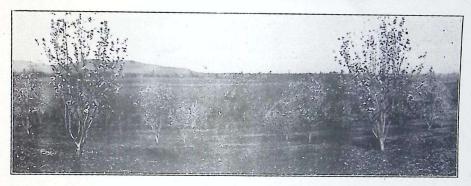
MEDFORD, OREGON
TEN YEARS OF GROWTH



COMPLIMENTS OF

Guy M. Conner PACKER AND SHIPPER HIGH GRADE PEARS AND APPLES
WATCH OUR GROWTH

BUYING BROKER MEDFORD, OREGON



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| Division | No |

Permit No. 2883...

County of \_\_\_\_JACKSON\_\_\_\_\_

Application No. 4816.

## Proof of Appropriation of Water

| (In accordance with the provisions of C | Chapter 216, Laws of Oregon for 1909, thereunder.) | and the regulations of the State Water Board |
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|    | thereunder.)   |
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| Fr | and Swan Creeks, also surplus, seepage and drainage waters from Springs Nos. 1 to 1 om Antelope, Yankee, Spring, Hawkins. Tributary ofRogue River,   |
| 1. | Name Meridian Orchard Company,   |
| 2. | Postoffice address Guy W. Connor, President, Medford, Oregon.  |
| 3. | For what purpose is water used? Irrigation (1.93 sec.ft.)  and other Jources engumerated above.  |
| 4. | Did you begin the actual construction of the Smith Walsh, from Antelope Control  |
|    | (or other distributing works described in said permit), on or before April 24, 1917.   |
|    | prerious to this date.   |
|    | Give the date of completion of such construction work Linally completed May 1923   |
| 6. | When was all the water completely applied to the proposed use?   |
|    | and the second s |

7. The description of land given below corresponds to that found in your permit covering land to be irrigated, or, if for other purposes, the place of use. In the blank column on the right, headed "No. acres actually irrigated," fill in the number of acres you have irrigated in each of the tracts described.

| Township | Range     | Section | Forty-acre Tract                | No. Acres<br>Described in Permit | No. Acres<br>Actually Irrigated |
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| 8.   | During what months is water beneficially used? May to Deptember  |
|------|--|
| 9.   | State the character of the soil and kind of crops raised   |
| 10.  | Does the accompanying blue print of the map filed with your permit show correctly the loca-  |
|      | tion of diverting works and area of land where water is used?  |
| 11.  | If not, state wherein such map is in error   |
|      | No Exter   |
|      |  |
| 12.  | If the dimensions of your ditch or dam do not correspond to those described in your permit,  |
|      | state what changes have been made, giving dimensions of ditch (or other distributing works)  |
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| 13.  | If water is used for power, mining, domestic, municipal, storage, manufacturing, or any  |
|      | other purpose than irrigation, give the extent and method of such use  |
|      | 11. The second s |
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| STA  | TE OF OREGON,  |
|      | County of Juleary ss.  |
|      | Ohl o  |
|      | I, being first duly sworn, ose and say that I have read the above and foregoing proof of appropriation of water; that I  |
|      | v the contents thereof; and that the facts therein stated are true.  |
|      | IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 9 day   |
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|      |  |
|      | Subscribed and sworn to before me this A day of day of 1929  |
|      | L Blameron   |
| (Not | arial Seal) Notary Public for Oregon.  |
|      | My commission expires  |
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### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

| We,  | , and  |
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| of   | , being first duly sworn, depose and say tha         |
| we are well acquainted with the facts and cond | itions set forth in the foregoing statement relative |
| to proof of appropriation of water under Permi | t No; that we and each of us have                    |
| been over and upon each tract described in sa  | aid proof, and from such personal inspection have    |
| knowledge that all necessary ditches, dams and | other diversion and distributing works have been     |
| constructed, and water used as stated therein  | n; that we have carefully read such proof o          |
| appropriation, and that each and every statem  | nent contained therein is true to the best of ou     |
| knowledge and belief.                          | 2. H. Wiles  |
| Subscribed and sworn to before me this         | , 191,   |
| (Notarial Seal)                                | Notary Public for Oregon.  My commission expires     |
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PROOF OF APPROPRIATION

Permit No. 2883

Receipt No. 1083

Priority Date: March 23, 1916.

STATE ENGINEER RECEIVED

MAY 1.9 1924

SALEM, : OREGON

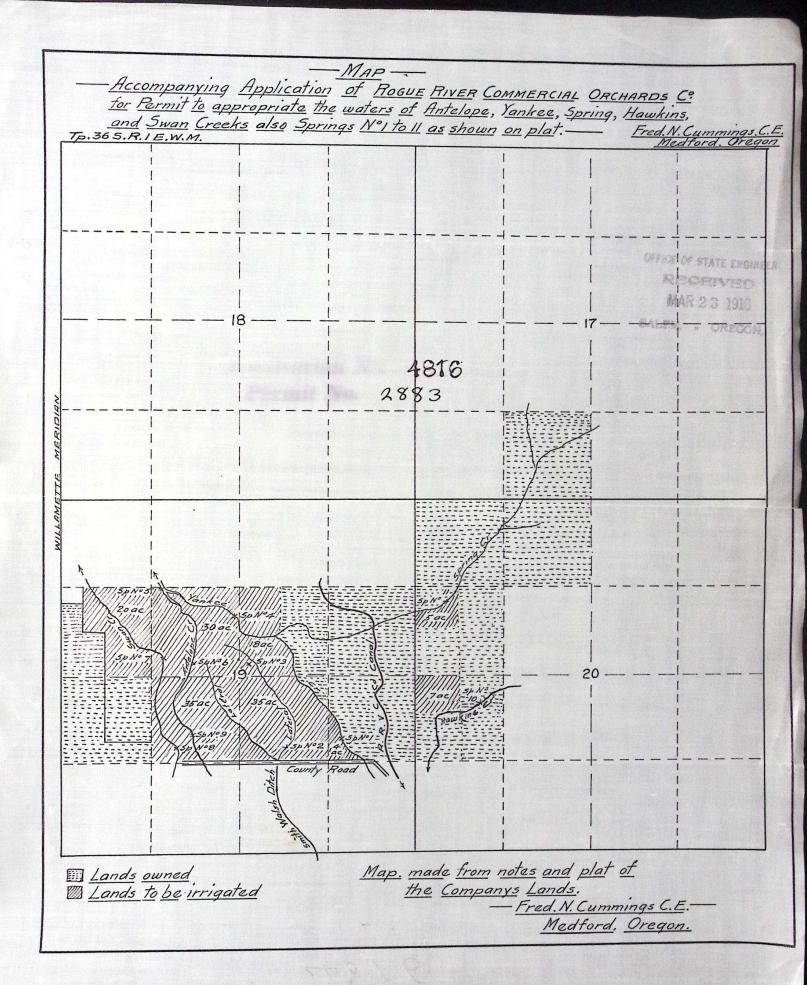
| NOTICE OF BEGINNING OF CONSTRUCTION  |
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| I, Hognethirer Communical Orchard Co   |
| Permit No. 2883, issued by the State Engineer of the State of Oregon for the appropriation of second feet of the waters of Analyse Continues Chrings (all tothe in accordance with the tenor of such permit and the limitations endorsed thereon by the State Engineer,  |
| Degan the actual construction of the works described to  |
| being within the time limitation as fixed in said permit for the beginning of construction work.  Second work with Three men fore team cleaning ont or faring as Smith the appropriator should state the manner of beginning construction work, number of men and reams employed the amount of work completed  |
| work after one day on account ground to soft in good faith.  |
| up to the date of this statement, and any additional information which may tend to show the beginning of work in good faith.  will resume work about 232, Engineer 1.7. Many his sum level remained appears resum  graph, In sight it will trust fund a plan work.  IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20 day of Opport, 1917.   |
| Log 1136 - Mesford, are.   |
| Fill out, detach, and mail to the Secretary, State Water Board, Salem, Oregon.   |
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| NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION   |
| I, Juny w Tommer Ins M. Manillo a, the holder of Application No. 4816, being   |
| Permit No. 7 & 4 3 , issued by the State Engineer of the State of Oregon for the appropriation of 2 second feet of the waters of Anti-factory Strong  |
| have completed the construction of the works described therein the   |
| being within the time limitation as fixed in said permit or extended by the State Water Board for the  |
| Remarks: Bought + Dans for \$35000 11-9-8"-hydrolic pike-iron - 1100 feet If the works have a less capacity than is described in the permit, or you have definitely absorbed your plan of irrigating any of the Tabe need in getting worter from antilipe of or other irrigating purposes connected with this application,   |
| land described in your permit, from should so state in order that our records may not be inhecessarily encumbered.  IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this day of the property o |
| Mis pro, Or,   |
| (Present Address.)  Fill out, detach, and mail to the Secretary, State Water Board, Salem, Oregon.  Form D should be used in reporting progress of work if more than one year has been allowed for completion.   |
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| NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION OF WATER TO A BENEFICIAL USE  |
| I, Meridian Orchard Company, the holder of Application No. 4816, being   |
| Permit No2883, issued by the State Engineer of the State of Oregon   |
| for the appropriation of 2.55 second feet of the waters of Antelope and Other creeks in accordance with the tenor of such permit and the limitations endorsed thereon by the State Engineer,   |
| completely applied the water to a beneficial use, on the day of May 31 , 19.23, being within the time limitation as fixed in said permit or extended by the State Water Board for the complete application of water to a beneficial use.   |
| Remarks:  If all of the water granted in the permit had not been fully applied to beneficial use, you should so state, so that subsequent  |
| appropriators may have notice.   |
| IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 9 Mindian Colors, 1923.  Box 1136-Mes ford, On-   |
| (Present Address.)  Fill out, detach, and mail to the Secretary, State Water Board, Salem, Oregon.   |

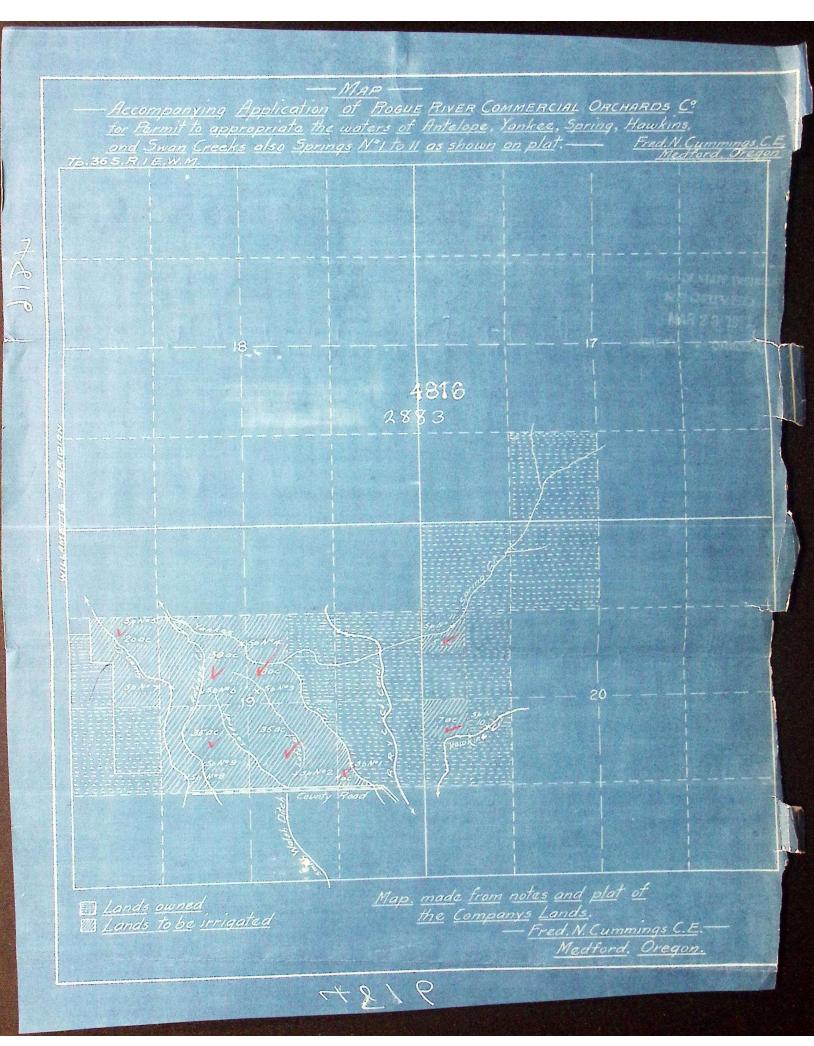
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| NOTICE OF PROSECUTION OF WORK WITH DILIGENCE   |
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| for the appropriation of second feet of the waters of analysis of the state of oregon,   |
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| expended dollars in the construction of the sense of the  |
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| judge as to whether or not such work is being prosecuted with reasonable diligence as required by law.   |
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| IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 79 day of May 19 ha.  |
| musdand chart Co   |
| (Present Address.)   |
| Fill out, detach, and mail to the Secretary, State Water Board, Salem, Oregon, on or before the expiration of one year from the date of beginning of work as fixed in your permit; also likewise for each succeeding year, until completion of works, when the notice, Form B, especially prepared for such  |
| purpose, shall be used.  |
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| NOTICE OF PROSECUTION OF WORK WITH DILIGENCE   |
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| Permit No. 2-883, issued by the State Engineer of the State of Oregon,   |
| for the appropriation of 200 second feet of the waters of Antispe Cr. Spings etc   |
| have, during the year beginning , 191 , and ending , 191 ,   |
| expended   |
| under the aforesaid permit. Such construction works being more particularly described as follows:  |
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| Here describe briefly the extent of construction work, such as height of dam, length of canal or flume constructed, etc., so that the Board may  |
| judge as to whether or por such work is being prosecuted with reasonable diligence as required by lay.   |
| in now smil Some Osbril 18th work started an ditch +   |
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| IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 23 day of 1917.   |
| By 1136 mesters, and   |
| (Présent Address.)   |
| Fill out, detach, and mail to the Secretary, State Water Board, Salem, Oregon, on or before the expiration of one year from the date of beginning of work as fixed in your permit; also likewise for each succeeding year, until completion of works, when the notice, Form B, especially prepared for such purpose, shall be used.  |
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| expended dollars in the construction of works for the utilization of water   |
| under the aforesaid permit. Such construction works being more particularly described as follows:  |
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| indge as to whether or not such work is being prosecuted with reasonable diligence as required by law.   |
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| IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this and day of may 19/8.  |
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| (Signature of Applicant) My Muni (lot)   |
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Fill out, detach, and mail to the Secretary, State Water Board, Salem, Oregon, on or before the expiration of one year from the date of beginning of work as fixed in your permit; also likewise for each succeeding year, until completion of works, when the notice, Form B, especially prepared for such purpose, shall be used.





Enclosed please find ohk for one dollar as fee for recording The Rogue River Commercial Orchard Company to Meridian Orchard Company.

Believing you will find same properly witnessed and made out and thanking you for compliance with the request to regord, I am, Mar. 37,1919 MERIDIAN ORCHARD COMPANY Yours traly MEDFORD, OREGON 9184 ICE OF STATE ENGINEER Percy Cupper, State Engine Salem, Ore. Dear Sir:

Medford, Oregon.

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April I3th I916.

Mr John H. Lewis,

State Engineer,

Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Re your letter of Ist inst and Application No 4816 in name of Rogue River Commercial Orchards Company.

The conflict you note, I think you will find is that the Rogue River Valley Canal Co conflict with prior filing of the Ormhards Co which is still in your hands, and which I have not a record of, it is my impression that the permit you have granted to the Commercial Orchards Co, would be prior to the Canal Co filing on Antelope Creek.

In any event we know that the present application confli with the Canal Co, or will be subsequent to them,

The present application is intended to use the right out of Antelope Creek by means of Smith Walsh ditch, (record of which you have in your office, but notification has not yet been rendered to the applicants other than verbally through their Attorney the late Mr Vawt ter. that the application had been granted. ) for as much land as it will comer when water is in the creek, and this to be supplimented by springs named in present application, or any surplus waters occuring at these points which would in no way conflict with the Canal Co, and as you have granted an application on the Smith Walsh ditch, that also would not conflict, In all events the Orchards Co, together with Mr Slater Johnston, who both have rights out of the Smith Walsh ditch, are now conferring with the Canal Co for extra waters from that system and will in all probability join with the Canal Co in the development and use of the Antelope water at a point where the Co ditch crosses that is the intention as I am representing both sides, the taking of Antelope waters has some unusual features and it has occurred to us

that the better plan for both is to get together on the matter and to the better conservation of what water does come down the creek if thereby we are not conflicting with the law in any way, and it does not seem so.

In other words the present applicant wants the permit to u use the water where it may be at the time available, as it is rather difficult to say just what particular part of the land, and so have imbraced all the lands under the previous application and the present one, and in all probability will also use the Canal water on all this land at times.

Yours very truly,

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### MERIDIAN ORCHARD COMPANY MEDFORD, OREGON

May 22, 1924

Mr. Rhea Luper, State Engineer, Salem, Oregon. Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find \$1.00 as fee for recording certificate on final proof of appropiation of water under permit number 2883.

Sincerely yours,

MERIDIAN ORCHARD CO.

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Receipt No. 1083 mailed May 23, 1924 MAY 23 1924

SALEM. OREGON

May 19, 1924.

Meridian Orchard Company, Medford, Oregon.

Gentlemen:

Final proof of appropriation of water has been received under your permit number 2883.

The proof appears to be in proper form, however it can not be taken up for approval until the fee of \$1.00 required by law for recording the certificate in the county records has been received in this office.

Trusting you will give this matter your attention, I am

Yours respectfully,

Rhea Luper. State Engineer.

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July 13th, 1923.

Mr. Guy W. Conner, President Meridian Orchard Company, Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

This will admowledge receipt of your letter of July 10th, transmitting notice of complete application of water to beneficial use under your parmit Mo. 2883. This notice has been placed on file.

Blanks for making proof of appropriation of water under this permit have this day been forwarded to Mr. Fred N. Cumnings, water master for your district, who will make an inspection and assist in making out the proof at an early date.

When properly filled out and signed before a notary public, the proof should be returned to this office, together with the \$1.00 fee required for recording certificate of water right when issued.

Yours very truly,

Percy A. Cupper, State Engineer.

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MERIDIAN ORCHARD COMPANY MEDFORD, OREGON

July 10, 1923

Secretary, State Water Board

Salem, Oregon

Gentlemen:

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of Mater to a Beneficial Use.

OFFICE OF STATE TO THE YOURS, RECEIVED

SALEM, " OREGON.

October 3, 1922.

Mr. Guy W. Conner, President Meridian Orchards Company, Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that at a meeting of the State
Water Board held September 26th, you were granted an extension of
time until June 1, 1923 within which to complete construction work,
and until October 1, 1923 within which to completely apply water
to beneficial use under permit No. 2883.

Yoursvery truly,

R. W. Potter, Secretary.

May 31st, 1922.

Mr. Guy W. Conner, President Meridian Ordhard Company, Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Permit No. 2883.

I am in receipt of your letter of May 29th, transmitting photograph of your development and requesting an extension of time within which to complete construction and apply the water under your application No. 4816, Permit No. 2885, and I note that four extensions of time have already been granted under this permit. However, in view of the development that you have made and the statements contained in your letter, I will recommend to the State Water Board that an extension of time be granted until June 1st, 1923, within which to complete construction work, and until October 1st, 1923, within which to apply the water under this permit.

The statute provides that the work must be prosecuted with reasonable diligence under a permit, and unless this is done subsequent appropriators from the same source of supply would have the right to protest against the granting of further extensions of time, and such protests might prevent granting a further extension under this permit.

Prosting you will find this satisfactory, I re-

main,

Very respectfully,

Percy A. Cuppere State Engineer.

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### MERIDIAN ORCHARD COMPANY MEDFORD, OREGON

May 29,1982 CE OF STATE WATER POARD RECEIVED

MAY 3 1 1922

SALEM. OREGON.

State Water Board,

Salem, Ore.

Gentlemen:

We are at present using the waters of Antelope Creek through the gravity ditch and have purchased a twelve horsepower to lift the waters of Antelope, Yankee and subsidery creeks, when the flow stops at our present intake.

We have carried these properties for twelve years without income from them but our trees now give promise of returns ample for continued developement even on a more extended scale.

We desire to ask for an extention of time to complete construction work and to completely apply water to beneficial use under permit No. 2883.

It would give us great pleasure to show you over our properties and discuss with your our plans of development of our water rights. If desired we would visit Salem for this purpose.

Very truly yours,

Meridian Orchard Co.,

By Emseterning Pres.

October 18, 1921.

Mr. Guy W. Conner, President
Meridian Orchard Company,
Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

The State Water Board at its meeting October 17th, granted your company an extension of time until June 1, 1922 within which to complete construction work and until October 1, 1922 within which to completely apply water to beneficial use under permit No. 2883.

Yours very truly,

R. W. Potter, Secretary. May 23th, 1921.

Mr. Guy W. Conner,
President Moridian Orchard Company,
Modford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Pennit No. 2885.

I sm in receipt of your letter of May 24th,
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I am in receipt of your letter of May 24th, making application for an extension of time within which to complete construction work and apply the water under your application No. 4016, Permit No. 2003, and I will recommend to the State Water Board that an extension of time be granted untillume 1st, 1922, within which to complete construction work, and until October 1st, 1922, within which to completely apply the water to the proposed use.

Very respectfully,

Percy A. Cupper, State Engineer.

# MERIDIAN ORCHARD COMPANY

MEDFORD, OREGON

May 34,

Mr. Percy A. Cupper, Pres., State Water Board, Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:-

Permit #2883 (Medford) Application #4816

Drop to our property over right-of-way which we owned. We then transferred our right-of-way to the Medford Irrigation District and work was begun on the enlarged ditch which completely blocked the smaller ditch. This made it impossible for us to get water through this ditch during 1920 and their work will not be completed sufficiently for us to obtain water this year through their ditch. We used water from Antelope Greek last year on part of our land and will do so again this year, but next year expect to extention will cover system very materially. This year we hope our extention will cover doing all we possibly can to bring our place under proper irrigation. During the last three years we constructed a ditch from the Bradshaw We hereby request an extention of time for the completion construction work under amlication #4816, permit #8883, as we are extra acres.

Thanking you for past favors, and trusting this extention Very truingyours, un will be granted, we are

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October 20, 1920.

Mr. Guy W. Conner, President, Meridian Orchards Company, Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

The State Water Board at its meeting on the 12th., granted you an extension of time until June 1, 1921 within which to complete construction work and until October 1, 1921 within which to completely apply water to beneficial use under permit No. 2883.

Yours very truly,

Asst Secretary.

Application No. 4816. June 1st, 1920. Er. Goy W. Conner, President Meridian Orchards Company. Medford, Oregon. Dear Sir: Permit No. 2883 I am in receipt of your letter of May 29th making application for an extension of time within which to complete construction and apply the water under application No. 4816, Permit No. 2883, in the Entensier name of the Meridian Ordhard Company, and I will recommend to the State Water Board that an extension of time be granted until June 1st, 1921, within which to complete construction, anduntil October 1st, 1921,

within which to apply the water under this permit.

Very respectfully,

Percy A. Cupper. State Inginor.

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# MERIDIAN ORCHARD COMPANY MEDFORD, OREGON

May 29,1920

Mr. Percy A Cupper, State Engineer, Salem, Ore.

Permit #2883 (Medford) Ap.4816

Dear Sir:

We hereby request an extension of time for the completion of construction work under Application #4816, Permit #2883 as we are doing all possible in our power to completely cover our property, with water. We are not only using our rights out of Antelope and other sourses but have constructed, and expect within twenty days to be using water out of, the highline ditch from the top of the Bradshaw drop a distance of nearly three This ditch will cost us over \$500. net and after getting one irrigation we expect to turn over our rightaway to the Medford Irrigation District for their use. We hope, with your assistance, to have nearly 350 acres under water when our system is complete. We find time, men, and means all too short for out rapid developement. We have purchased over two hundred acres of water from the Canal company to supplement our rights quder our permit 2883 . Enclosed please find picture of our progress. Praying for an extension of time, we are,

Yours very truly,
Pres.

August 7, 1919. Mr. Guy W. Conner, President Meridian Orchard Company, Medford, Oregon. Dear Sir: The State Water Board at its meeting on July 28th., granted your company an extension of time until June 1, 1920 within which to complete construction work under permit No. 2083. Yours very truly, R. W. Potter, Secretary. GB.

Mendan Michigan Orchard Co. Mr. Guy W Conner, Pres. LaConner, Skagit Co., Gushington.

May 29, 1919

Permit No. 2883

Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 28th inst.

requesting a further extension of time within which to complete construction work under Application No. 4816, Permit

No. 2885, and I will recommend to the State Water Board that
an extension of time be granted until June 1, 1920, within

which to complete construction work.

Very respectfully

Percy A Cupper,

State Engineer.

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L.A. Conner Company LA CONNER, WASHINGTON

May 28,1919

Percy A. Cupper, State Engineer,

Salem, Ore.

Application #4816

Dear Sir:

Permit #2883

As per request of Watermaster of Medford we have delayed to near the time of expiration of the limit/complete utilization of water, before requesting permission for an extension in time.

Our reasons for this request are that the water was so low in June 1918 that it discontinues to run through our ditch on the third of said month. Again it was practically impossible to get men to increase our irrigation and also take care of the ordinary necessary work on the orchard and farm acres.

Also we were exceedingly short of funds up to thes time but our prospects are for at least 10M boxes of apples and ample funds afte this years harvest.

Therefore we pray you for an extension of time application of water to all our screage and making more perminent improvements.

We are at present using the water and will continue to do The writer will return to Medford next week. All work should so. be finished by Sept.1,1920.

Very truly yours, Meridien Orchard Co., By lange Course, Pres.

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August 10, 1918. Mr. Guy W. Conner, President Rogue River Com. Orchard Co., Medford, Oregon. Dear Sir: The State Water Board at its meeting on August and., granted your company an extension of time until June 1, 1919 within which to complete construction work under permit No. 2887. Yours very truly, R. W. Potter, Secretary. GB.

John H. Lewis.

RS.

State Engineer.

Gry M. Conner REFERENCES: FIRST NATIONAL BANK FARMERS AND FRUITGROWERS BANK BROKER CABLE ADDRESS: CAR LOT DISTRIBUTOR "CONNER" MEDFORD ROGUE RIVER VALLEY BOX APPLES AND PEARS UNITED STATES FOOD ADMINISTRATION LICENSE NO. G-35113. MEDFORD, OREGON, Mr. John H. Lewis, State Engineer Salem, Ore. Re: Application No 4816, Permit 2883 Dear Sir:-Yours of the 29th inst. acknowledged. While we have completed construction sufficient to enable us to get water from Antelope Creek into the Smith-Walsh ditch to the full carrying capacity of our pipe, and as there is sufficient water in the creek to fill our pipes without expensive construction, we deemed that our present work was sufficient for this time. However, on account of the possibility that we may find different construction more advisable at a later season, and with your advice, I hereby make application for an extension of time in which to complete construction work under application No 4816, Permit No 2883 in the name of the Rogue River Commercial Or chard Co. The reason for not finishing construction from the different springs is the lack of labor. Enclosed you will find a note from the U. S. Employment Service dated May 27th showing that we have an order in there for 3 men and we are not able to get them. We have been short handed all this season although we have hired a tractor when we could get it, also extra plow teams, and at present and working 8 men. I will take a picture of our work showing that it is in every way sanitary and that it in no way interferes with those living near the work, also that our plan of construction is feasible and sufficient for the present time. All construction work in Antelope Creek is necessarily of a temporary nature as it must be taken out of the creek so as not to be damaged by winter floods and in no way change the course of the creek by allowing the winter floods to get into out ditch construction. However, it may be found later that it is necessary to put in a concrete wall to raise the water from bed rock to our pipe. This matter has not been determined, nor could we get men for such work at this time. Besides our 280 acres of trees we have 80 acres of wheat, 50 acres of corn, 40 of oats, and in innumerable other ways trying to do the best for ourselves and the Government. We also have 100 head of hogs, 40 sheep and 7 head of cattle besides our work stock.

Guy M. Conner REPERENCES: FIRST NATIONAL BANK FARMERS AND FRUITGROWERS BANK BROKER CAR LOT DISTRIBUTOR CABLE ADDRESS: "CONNER" MEDFORD OF ROGUE RIVER VALLEY BOX APPLES AND PEARS UNITED STATES FOOD ADMINISTRATION LICENSE NO. G-35113. MEDFORD, OREGON. We stand ready at any and all times to do anything further to protect our rights under Application No 4816 that you may deem advisable. As our notice of completion of construction was filled out in error at a wrong time, we would desire another copy of same: Very truly yours, GWC-F

Medford, Ore, May 7 1918.

sist all the industries, particularly the ranchers and fruit growers, in this district to secure The Covernment will, within a few days, have an office established in Medford to as-

help for the harvesting of their several crops.

This branch of the Department of Labor is entirely for their benefit as the Government realizes the imperative need at this particular time, of field and orchard hands and the natural shortage of same due to war conditions. Feel free to phone or call on this department for assistance, and cooperate with it at all times, and we will to the best of our ability endeavor to assist you in the prosecution of

temporarily, for others, it is your duty to advise the Examiner at Medford of same, so that If at any time you know of available help, or have any help that you can spare, even such help may be placed advantageously and without unnecessary loss of time.

Our records show that earlier in the season you estimated you would require

- men for harvest or orchard work. men for haying,

handle the proposition more intelligently, and will ask you to advise this department at It is important that we now have more up-to-date figures on this so as to be able to once, giving us revised figures as to help requirements.

Yours truly,

Examiner in the U. S. Employment Service. Medford, Oregon. M. S. JANES,

June 21, 1918.

Mr. Guy W. Connor, Rogue River Commercial Orchards Co., Medford, Oregon.

Permit No. 2883.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 19th instant transmitting two photographs showing the construction work done under application No. 4816, permit No. 2885, and the same have been placed on file in this office in connections with the notices of prosecution work work with diligence.

Very respectfully,

John H. Lewis,

RS.

Pres. State Water Board.

### MERIDIAN ORCHARD COMPANY MEDFORD, OREGON

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June 19th, 1918.

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Mr. John H. Lewis, State Engineer, Salem, Ore:

Dear Sir: -

Enclosed herewith please find a couple of pictures of the intake pipes in the bed of Antelope Creek and the end of same in the Smith-Walsh ditch.

These are the only pictures I took of the intake on account of the water falling off to practically nothing a few days after the first of June. When I expected to take the picture of the two pipes in Antelope Creek the water was running so low that I thought some one must be using the water further up the creek. After a diligent search, however, I concluded that it was simply a lack of water this season that cut off our supply over a month ahead of time.

Very truly yours and bonning

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Guy M. Conner REFERENCES: FIRST NATIONAL BANK FARMERS AND FRUITGROWERS BANK BROKER CAR LOT DISTRIBUTOR CABLE ADDRESS: "CONNER" MEDFORD ROGUE RIVER VALLEY BOX APPLES AND PEARS UNITED STATES FOOD ADMINISTRATION LICENSE NO. G-35113. MEDFORD, OREGON. May 2,1918 Mr. John H. Lewis, State Engineer,

Salem, Ore. Dear Sir:

CITICE OF STATE WATER BOXED MAY 4 1918 OREGON. SALEM,

Enclosed please find Notice of prosecution of work with diligence by the R R Commercial Orchard Co. holder of Application No. 4816 Permit 2883 for appropriation of 2.55 sec. ft. of waters of Antelope Crk , its tributaries and of springs. Besides obtainting this pipe we have cleaned out the ditch, bought a 6HP gas engine and will get a 4"cent. pump. not be able to cover all our ground with water by June first but will cover as much as labor conditions and financial matters Water should be running by May tenth in our main will allow. ditch. Very truly yours

Eny M. Conner REFERENCES: FIRST NATIONAL BANK FARMERS AND FRUITGROWERS BANK BROKER AND CAR LOT DISTRIBUTOR ROGUE RIVER VALLEY CABLE ADDRESS CONNER" MEDFORD BOX APPLES AND PEARS MEDFORD, OREGON, July 21, 1917 OFFICE OF STATE WATER BOARD RECEIVED M. F. Mers, Sec., State Water Board, Salem, Ore. Dear Sir:-Your kind letter of the 10th inst. acknowledged. Antelope Creek has gone dry and our flume lumber ordered during May has just arrived. There is absolutely no use for us to do any work on dam, flume or main ditch until There is absolutely no use late this fall and early in the spring. Conditions have made it practically impossible to get labor at certain times during this year, but we are now well supplied. We are also buying an engine and pump and hope to use this to some extent this fall, although we may not make this installation until spring. Regarding reservoir, the reservoir will be entirely on our own property and simply on a high point thereof to facilitate the use of the water taken out of Antelope Creek or pumping from the spring. Under this circumstance do not believe it is necessary in anyway to get a reservoir permit through your office. This is our advice from our enginer and the water master. GWC-RW

July 10, 1917

Mr. Geo. W. Conner, Fres, Pres. Rogue River Com. Orchards Co., Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Permit No. 2883.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 7th instant transmitting affidavit in regard to the order for lumber for a flume to be constructed under your application No. 4816, permit No. 2883. According to the terms of the permit you have until June 1, 1918, in which to complete construction work under this permit. We are not advised fully of the extent or character of the work performed under this permit up to the present time and are not in a position to give an opinion as to whether or not the work done would be considered prosecution of work with reasonable diligence. As a general rule, however, I believe reasonable diligence would be considered such work as the ordinary man would do under the circumstances toward perfecting his water right.

I can find mo mention in your permit of the construction of a reservoir for the storage of water. However, if the reservoir is small and for the storage of water for domestic use only, I believe no reservoir permit need be secured. On the other hand, if the reservoir is for the storage of several acre feet of water and holding the same for the irrigation of land, I believe your rights would be more secure if you would secure a reservoir permit covering the construction of the same.

Trusting this will give you the desired information, I am,

Very respectfully,

RS. Enc. M. F. Mers, Secretary.

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M. F. Mers, Sec., State Water Board, Salem, Ore.

Refer permit No. 2883.

Dear Sir:-

Prior to May 10th I ordered of the Woods Lumber Company, Medford, Ore., flume lumber as per the enclosed sworn state ent of Mr. Arthur L. Hill. This lumber has been promised from time to time but the mill at the last phone call stated that they would not be able to make shipment until July 10th and on account of the very dry month of June the water in Antelope Creek is practically nil at this date and before we could have flume constructed we are afraid there will be no water for use.

We intended under our permit to pay for this lumber and to construct a reservoir nearly two acres across in extent on our land. As we understand our permit signed on the 24th day of April 1916, we have until June 1, 1918 to complete our flume, reservoir and other magor works.

We wish, if possible, a letter from you stating that according to your interpretation we are prosecuting with reasonable diligence actual contruction work under our permit. Mr. Fred N. Gummings, the water master of this district, and Mr. V. T. McGray who has on two occassions located our dam sites and advised us as to its contruction, now tell us that it would be a waste of money to put in the dam and flume until next spring. However, if your office so desires, we will and are now ready to continue any construction work you may see fit. We feel that we were in no way to blame for the nonarrival of this flume lumber and also that there was no need of work on the reservoir and main ditch until said flume was being made up as the main ditch could be cleaned out while the flume was being built. Part of this work was done during the last two months.

Assuring you we wish to live up to our contract with the State and to hold our rights in everyway, but do not wish to do unnecessary work at this time while men are so hard to obtain and other work is pressing us, we are

Very truly yours,

ROQUE RIVER CONVERGIAL ORGHARD do.

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STATE OF OREGON, : SS. COUNTY OF JACKSON. :

I, Arthur L. Hill, president of the Woods Lumber Company, being first duly sworn on oath, say that on or about the 8th day of May Guy W. Conner order from me the flume and other lumber to be delivered to him during June.

That said lumber was duly ordered from the will, although promised earlier delivery, now state this lumber will be loaded on car not before the 10th day of July 1917.

Mr. Guy W. Conner has anxiously inquired and besought me to make delivery of the lumber as it was necessary for flume construction for irrigating purposes of the present

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4 day of

July, 1917.

A. O. / Sewett

Notary Public in and for State of Oregon, residing at Medford

My Commission Expires Jan. 10, 19 %.

# Rogue River Commercial Orchard Company

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GUY W. CONNER

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MEDFORD, OREGON.

April 20, 1917

Secretary State Water Board,
Salem, Ore.

Dear Sir:-

Enclose please find notice of beginning of construction by the Rogue River Commercial Orchard Company, the holder of Application No. 4816, being permit No. 2883 for 2.55 second feet of the waters of Springs No. 1 to 11 and Antelope, Yankee, Spring, Hawkins and Swan Creeks, tributaries of Rogue River.

Actual construction began eighteenth day of April, 1917, within the time limitation as fixed in State Permit.

This notice is dated April 20th, 1917

Very truly yours,

Rogue River Commercial Orchard Co., Per GUY W. CONNER, PRES.

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May 31st, 1922.

Mr. Guy W. Conner. President Meridian Ordhard Company, Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Permit No. 2983.

I em in receipt of your letter of May 29th, transmitting photograph of your development and requesting an extension of time within which to complete construction and
apply the water under your application No. 4816, Permit No.
2885, and I note that four extensions of time have already
been granted under this permit. However, in view of the
development that you have made and the statements contained
in your letter, I will recommend to the State Water Board
that an extension of time be granted until June 1st, 1925,
within which to complete construction work, and until October 1st, 1925, within which to apply the water under this
permit.

The statute provides that the work must be prosecuted with reasonable diligence under a permit, and unless this is done subsequent appropriators from the same source of supply would have the right to protest against the granting of further extensions of time, and such protests might prevent granting a further extension under this permit.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory, I re-

Very respectfully,

Percy A. Cupper, State Engineer.

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Eay 26th, 1921.

Mr. Guy W. Conner.

President Meridian Orchard Company,
Medford, Oregon.

Dear Siri

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naking application for an extension of time within which to complete construction work and apply the water under your application No. 4816, Permit No. 2885, and I will recommend to the State Water Board that an extension of time be granted untillune 1st, 1922, within which to complete construction work, and until October 1st, 1922, within which to completely apply the water to the proposed use.

Very respectfully,

Porcy A. Cupper. State Engineer.

June 1st, 1920.

Er. Guy W. Conner, President Meridian Orchards Campany. Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Permit No. 2883

I am in receipt of your letter of May 29th making application for an extension or time within which to complete construction and apply the water under application No. 4516, Permit No. 2983, in the name of the Meridian Grahard Company, and I will recommend to the State Water Board that an extension of time be granted until June 1st, 1921, within which to complete construction, and until October 1st, 1921, within which to apply the water under this permit.

Very respectfully,

Percy A. Cupper, State Engineer.

RS: R

48/6 May 29, 1919 Michigan Orchard Co., Permit No. 2883 Mr. Guy W Conner, Pres. Medford, Oregon. Dear Sir:-I am in receipt of your letter of the 28th inst. requesting a further extension of time within which to complete construction work under Application No. 4816, Permit No. 2883, and I will recommend to the State Water Board that an extension of time be granted until June 1, 1920, within which to complete construction work. Very respectfully Percy A Cupper, RJS-LA State Engineer.

April 1, 1919

Meridian Orchard Co., Mr. Guy W Conner, Pres. Medford, Oregon.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed please find my official receipt No. 6551, for Cl.Co, which amount was transmitted with your letter of the 27th ult, for recording Assignment of Application No. 4816, Permit No. 2883 Rogue River Commercial Orchard Co. to Meridian Orchard Co.

I am returning the assignment after being duly recorded in the Miscellaneous Records in this office.

Very respectfully.

Percy A Cupper,

State Engineer.

I.d.

OFFICE OF

WATER MASTER

DISTRICT NO. 15

STATE OF OREGON

MEDFORD, OREGON

1923.

Mr. Percy A. Cupper,
State Engineer,
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Respectfully yours,

Water Master, Dist.#15.

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Guy M. Conner EB: ST NATIONAL BANK ARMERS AND FRUITGROWERS BANK BROKER CABLE ADDRESS: CAR LOT DISTRIBUTOR "CONNER" MEDFORD ROGUE RIVER VALLEY BOX APPLES AND PEARS UNITED STATES FOOD ADMINISTRATION LICENSE NO. G-35113. MEDFORD, OREGON. JUN 5 June 3, 1918. 488 ---- Flib No. .... Mr. John H. Lewis, State Engineer, Salem, Ore: Re Application No 4816, Permit #2883. Dear Sir: -Your kind letter of June 1st, stating that you would recommend to the State Water Board an extension of time for the Rogue River Commercial Orchard Co on application No 2883 until June 1, 1919 for completion of construction work, has been received. I wish to thank you for your kind recommendation and interest. On the 31st of May we laid an auxiliary 8" pipe, supplementing the ll" pipe, and had the water running on that day through both pipes into the Smith-Walsh ditch. We did not finish this job until 10 o'clock at night, and I desire in every way to protect our rights to the fullest. At 3:00 P.M. I took pictures of the single pipe and will go to the ranch again to-day and take pictures of both pipes and will forward a set of these pictures to you. Again thanking you for your kindness in this matter, I am, GWC-F muffly

June 1, 1918.

Pres. Rogue Hiver Com. Orchards Co.,

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo making application for an extension of time in which to complete construction work under application No. 4816, permit No. 2883, in the name of the Rogue River Commercial Orchards Company, and I will recommend to the State Water Board that an extension of time be granted until June 1, 1919, in which to complete construction work under this permit.

Very respectfully,

John H. Lewis,

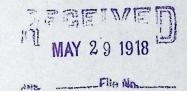
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State Engineer.

### MERIDIAN ORCHARD COMPANY MEDFORD, OREGON

May 27, 1918

Mr. John H. Lewis, State Engineer, Salem, Ore.



Dear Sir:

Re application No. 4186, being permit No. 2883.

Wish to state during this present month we have turned the water of Antelope Creek in the Smith-Walch ditch and applied same to our holdings in Section 19, Township 36, Range 1 East. We have also purchased a 12" centrifugal pump and a 32 horse power engine, besides some 300 feet of pipe to assist in our use of the water rights given us under the above application and permit.

Yours truly, June Commo

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## ROGUE RIVER VALLEY CANAL COMPANY

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Medford, Oregon, April 8, 1916.

Mr. Percy A. Cupper,

Acting State Engineer,

Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:-

We thank you for your communication of the 1st inst. relative to application from the Rogue River Commercial Orchards Company for the appropriation of water from certain springs for the irrigation of a tract of land (154 acres) in Sections19 and 20, Twp.36 S. R.1 E.

While we have no objection to the granting of the application for such acreage as does not come under our permit, still we wish to hold all our rights under such permit. Further, we are positive that there is no water supply from springs in that locality which would take care of the acreage mentioned in your letter.

The Rogue River Orchards people are good friends of ours and we do not wish to appose them in any matter which would assist them in watering any lands which we are unable at this time to reach; but, as stated above, we do not desire to relinquish our rights to the lands in question.

Yours very truly,

ROGUE RIVER VARIAGE STAL CO.,

April 24, 1916

The Rogue River Commercial Orchard Co., Fedford, Jackson Co., Orogun.

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lierowith you will find Application No. 4816, being Pormit No. 2885, which has been approved and recorded in this office.

permits except in cases where the subsequent applicant owns the land he seeks to irrigate. Will you advise us with reference to this matter?

Very respectfully,

Porcy A. Cupper, Acting State Engineer.

PAC-S.

Application No. 4816. Apr. 1, 1916. Rogue River Valley Canal Company, Medford, Oregon. Gentlemen: An application has been presented to this office for the appropriation of water of certain springs for the irrigation of 154 acres of land located in Sections 19 and 20, T. 36 S. R. 1 E. The land in this application conflicts in part with the land covered by the permit of the Rogue River Valley Canal Company. The application is in the name of the Rogue River Commercial Orchards Company. It is our practice not to grant overlapping permits unless the subsequent applicatioowns the land he desires to irrigate. Kindly let us hear from you with reference to this matter. Very respectfully, Percy A. Cupper, Acting State Englneer. PAC-S.

Application No. 4816.

Mar. 28, 1916,

Mr. Fred N. Cumnings.

Medford, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your let er of the 27th instant transmitting application No. 4816 in the name of the Rogue River Commercial Orchards Company together with blue print and tracing which had been returned for correction. The application will be taken up for approval as soon as the same can be reached and you will be further advised.

Very respectfully,

Percy A. Cupper,

Acting State Engineer.

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Retapp 4816 1 map + BP. Application No. 4530. 48/6 Mar. 23, 1916. Mr. Fred M. Cumnings, Medford, Oregon. Dear Sir: Enclosed please find my official receipt No. 4175 for \$20.70, which amount was transmitted with your letter of the 18th instant together with application for pormit to appropriate water in the name of the Roque River Commercial Orchard Company. I am also in receipt of blue print and tracing. This application has been menbored 4616 and is returned here ith for correction. You will note under question No. 9 that the the application states that 5 acros is to be irrigated in the SN NY Sec. 20, while the map would indicate the 5 acro tract to be within the SW No Sec. 20. Also the application stat s that 7 acros are to be irrigated in the ME S. Sec. 20, while the map would indicate the 7 acres to be within the Mr. SW Sec. 20. I am returning the map and blue print herewith. In order to retain its original date of priority, this application completed and accompanied by the required maps should be returned to this office on or before April 23, 1916. Yery respectfully, Herdy Merdypper, Acting State Engineer. RS. Enos.

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IRRIGATION, DRAINAGE ORCHARD AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

MEDFORD, OREGON. March 18th 1916.

Mr John H. Lewis.

State Engineer,

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Salem. Oregon.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed pleasr fine Bank draft No 5858 on Lumbermans National Bank, to amount of \$20.70 to cover fees on the enclosed application for water of the Rogue River Commercial Orchard Co.

Yours very truly,

Fra . J. Remaning ?

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