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The Department has reviewed the status of your pump test and any requests for extension(s) or exemption(s) for the following permitted well(s). The results are summarized in the table below:

Application	Water Right	Permitted Well	Pumped Well	Test Date	Request Status	Problems	Exemption	Well Name
G 16932	Permit: G 16381 *	HOOD0050097	HOOD0050097	10/13/2025	APPROVED	0		WELL 1 (L-16634)
G 16932	Permit: G 16381 *	HOOD0050096	HOOD0050097	10/13/2025	REJECTED	0	Multiple Well	WELL 2 (L-16333)
G 16932	Permit: G 16381 *	HOOD0050456	HOOD0050097	10/13/2025	REJECTED	0	Multiple Well	WELL 5 (L-34418)
G 16932	Permit: G 16381 *	HOOD0050457	HOOD0050097	10/13/2025	REJECTED	0	Multiple Well	WELL 6 (L-61564)

Permit G16381 authorizes specific maximum rates for each of the well locations. As per the permit:

MAXIMUM 1.36 CUBIC FEET PER SECOND BEING NO MORE THAN 0.13 CFS FROM WELL 1 (HOOD 50097), 0.34 CFS FROM WELL 2 (HOOD 50096), 0.78 FROM WELL 5 (HOOD 50456), AND 1.0 CFS FROM WELL 6 (HOOD 50457)

Since the pumping test was conducted at the well with the lowest pumping rate, the multiple well exemptions are rejected. As per 690-217-0025(4), the tested rate "shall be as close as reasonably possible to the anticipated pumping rate during normal use of the well." Therefore a pumping test of 0.13 CFS is insufficient for approval of a multi-well exemption for POAs with permitted max rates of double, 6x, and almost 8x the tested rate respectively for Well 2, Well 5 and Well 6.

A pump test is still required for the above permitted well(s) whose pump tests or exemptions were denied. If there is a reason why a pump test cannot be performed on the(se) well(s), please contact the Department to request an unreasonable burden exemption. The Department will not grant an exemption if only minor modifications are needed such as installing an access port for water level measurement. The Department may verify by field inspection any claims that a well cannot be pump tested. Unreasonable burden exemption requests must be submitted using the Department's form, which can be obtained on the Department's website.

The following pump test related materials can be found on our web site at:

Pump test administrative rules: <https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/displayDivisionRules.action?selectedDivision=3186>

A booklet explaining pump tests: https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/WRDFormsPDF/pump_test.pdf

Pump test data forms: https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/WRDFormsPDF/pump_test_coverF.pdf

Multiple well exemption request: <https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/WRDFormsPDF/pumptestexemptionform.pdf>

Unreas. burden exemption request: <https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/WRDFormsPDF/pumptestexemptionunreasburden.pdf>

Without an approved pump test, the Department may not be able to process the Claim of Beneficial Use submitted for this

permit. The person or persons conducting the test need to be thoroughly familiar with all the test requirements, which are described in the Water Resources Department's administrative rules OAR 690-217.

Approved pump test letters will be digitally posted to the water right in WRIS; all other pump test letters will be mailed to permit holder.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

James Hootsmans

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