





**PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW FOR GROUND WATER APPLICATIONS**

TO: Water Rights Section Date 6/5/07  
 FROM: Ground Water/Hydrology Section Donn Miller  
Reviewer's Name  
 SUBJECT: Application G- LL-1065 Supersedes review of -----  
Date of Review(s)

**PUBLIC INTEREST PRESUMPTION; GROUNDWATER**

**OAR 690-310-130 (1)** *The Department shall presume that a proposed groundwater use will ensure the preservation of the public welfare, safety and health as described in ORS 537.525.* Department staff review ground water applications under OAR 690-310-140 to determine whether the presumption is established. OAR 690-310-140 allows the proposed use be modified or conditioned to meet the presumption criteria. **This review is based upon available information and agency policies in place at the time of evaluation.**

**A. GENERAL INFORMATION:** Applicant's Name: USDA-US Forest Service County: Multnomah

A1. Applicant(s) seek(s) 0.022 cfs from one well(s) in the Sandy Basin,  
 ----- subbasin Quad Map: Bridal Veil and Multnomah Falls

A2. Proposed use: Recreation/Commercial Seasonality: Year-round

A3. Well and aquifer data (attach and number logs for existing wells; mark proposed wells as such under logid):

Well	Logid	Applicant's Well #	Proposed Aquifer*	Proposed Rate(cfs)	Location (T/R-S QQ-Q)	Location, metes and bounds, e.g. 2250' N, 1200' E fr NW cor S 36
1	MULT 1542	Benson SP	bedrock	.022	T1N/R5E-S12 SE-SE	600'N, 1230'W fr SE cor S 12
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\* Alluvium, CRB, Bedrock

Well	Well Elev ft msl	First Water ft bls	SWL ft bls	SWL Date	Well Depth (ft)	Seal Interval (ft)	Casing Intervals (ft)	Liner Intervals (ft)	Perforations Or Screens (ft)	Well Yield (gpm)	Draw Down (ft)	Test Type
1	40	176	21	3/26/73	184	0-31	0-57, 0-176	---	174-184	60	16	P

Use data from application for proposed wells.

A4. **Comments** The first water log entry of 176' is suspect and probably reflects the location of "significant" water. The final swl of 21 feet is essentially the level of the Columbia River nearby.

This use from this well was previously reviewed for LL-863. The review is the same.

A5.  **Provisions of the Sandy** Basin rules relative to the development, classification and/or management of ground water hydraulically connected to surface water  are, or  are not, activated by this application. (Not all basin rules contain such provisions.)  
 Comments: OAR 690-503-050(3)

A6.  Well(s) # \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, tap(s) an aquifer limited by an administrative restriction.  
 Name of administrative area: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Comments: NA

**B. GROUND WATER AVAILABILITY CONSIDERATIONS, OAR 690-310-130, 400-010, 410-0070**

B1. Based upon available data, I have determined that ground water\* for the proposed use:

- a.  is over appropriated,  is not over appropriated, or  cannot be determined to be over appropriated during any period of the proposed use. \* This finding is limited to the ground water portion of the over-appropriation determination as prescribed in OAR 690-310-130;
- b.  will not or  will likely be available in the amounts requested without injury to prior water rights. \* This finding is limited to the ground water portion of the injury determination as prescribed in OAR 690-310-130;
- c.  will not or  will likely to be available within the capacity of the ground water resource; or
- d.  will, if properly conditioned, avoid injury to existing ground water rights or to the ground water resource:
  - i.  The permit should contain condition #(s) 7G (per Sandy Basin rule in OAR 690-503-060);
  - ii.  The permit should be conditioned as indicated in item 2 below.
  - iii.  The permit should contain special condition(s) as indicated in item 3 below;

- B2. a.  Condition to allow ground water production from no deeper than \_\_\_\_\_ ft. below land surface;
- b.  Condition to allow ground water production from no shallower than \_\_\_\_\_ ft. below land surface;
- c.  Condition to allow ground water production only from the \_\_\_\_\_ ground water reservoir between approximately \_\_\_\_\_ ft. and \_\_\_\_\_ ft. below land surface;
- d.  Well reconstruction is necessary to accomplish one or more of the above conditions. The problems that are likely to occur with this use and without reconstructing are cited below. Without reconstruction, I recommend withholding issuance of the permit until evidence of well reconstruction is filed with the Department and approved by the Ground Water Section.

Describe injury –as related to water availability– that is likely to occur without well reconstruction (interference w/ senior water rights, not within the capacity of the resource, etc): \_\_\_\_\_

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B3. Ground water availability remarks: **The ground water supply is probably modulated by its proximity to the Columbia River and other surface water sources. The strength of the connections are not clear from available information. The proposed use is small and should not place a burden on the supply. The implementation of condition 7G for water level and pumpage measuring and reporting will be a help when a permit application comes in some day.**

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**C. GROUND WATER/SURFACE WATER CONSIDERATIONS, OAR 690-09-040**

C1. 690-09-040 (1): Evaluation of aquifer confinement:

Well	Aquifer or Proposed Aquifer	Confined	Unconfined
1	bedrock	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Basis for aquifer confinement evaluation:** well report information on MULT 1542. Semi-confined may be a better description.

C2. 690-09-040 (2) (3): Evaluation of distance to, and hydraulic connection with, surface water sources. All wells located a horizontal distance less than ¼ mile from a surface water source that produce water from an **unconfined aquifer** shall be assumed to be hydraulically connected to the surface water source. Include in this table any streams located beyond one mile that are evaluated for PSI.

Well	SW #	Surface Water Name	GW Elev ft msl	SW Elev ft msl	Distance (ft)	Hydraulically Connected?			Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?	
						YES	NO	ASSUMED	YES	NO
1	1	Columbia River	20	E20	400	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1	2	Wahkeena Creek	20	E20	400	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1	3	Benson Lake	20	E20	750	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1	4	Fish Rearing Pond	20	E20	500	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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**Basis for aquifer hydraulic connection evaluation:** The head relationships are very close between the well and the various surface water source. The well is in the midst of the various sources. In sizing up the log, I think that there must be enough vertical permeability locally to normalize the heads. I know that the log only indicates first water at 176 feet.

**Water Availability Basin the well(s) are located within:** None

C3a. 690-09-040 (4): Evaluation of stream impacts for **each well** that has been determined or assumed to be **hydraulically connected and less than 1 mile** from a surface water source. Limit evaluation to instream rights and minimum stream flows that are pertinent to that surface water source, and not lower SW sources to which the stream under evaluation is tributary. Compare the requested rate against the 1% of 80% *natural* flow for the pertinent Water Availability Basin (WAB). If Q is not distributed by well, use full rate for each well. Any checked  box indicates the well is assumed to have the potential to cause PSI.

Well	SW #	Well < ¼ mile?	Qw > 5 cfs?	Instream Water Right ID	Instream Water Right Q (cfs)	Qw > 1% ISWR?	80% Natural Flow (cfs)	Qw > 1% of 80% Natural Flow?	Interference @ 30 days (%)	Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?
1	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	---	---	<input type="checkbox"/>	---	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1	2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	---	---	<input type="checkbox"/>	---	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	---	---	<input type="checkbox"/>	---	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1	4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	---	---	<input type="checkbox"/>	---	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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C3b. 690-09-040 (4): Evaluation of stream impacts by total appropriation for all wells determined or assumed to be hydraulically connected and less than 1 mile from a surface water source. Complete only if Q is distributed among wells. Otherwise same evaluation and limitations apply as in C3a above.

SW #	Qw > 5 cfs?	Instream Water Right ID	Instream Water Right Q (cfs)	Qw > 1% ISWR?	80% Natural Flow (cfs)	Qw > 1% of 80% Natural Flow?	Interference @ 30 days (%)	Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?
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Comments: NA

C4a. 690-09-040 (5): Estimated impacts on hydraulically connected surface water sources greater than one mile as a percentage of the proposed pumping rate. Limit evaluation to the effects that will occur up to one year after pumping begins. This table encompasses the considerations required by 09-040 (5)(a), (b), (c) and (d), which are not included on this form. Use additional sheets if calculated flows from more than one WAB are required.

Non-Distributed Wells													
Well	SW#	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Distributed Wells													
Well	SW#	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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(A) = Total Interf.													
(B) = 80 % Nat. Q													
(C) = 1 % Nat. Q													
(D) = (A) > (C)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
(E) = (A / B) x 100		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

(A) = total interference as CFS; (B) = WAB calculated natural flow at 80% exceed. as CFS; (C) = 1% of calculated natural flow at 80% exceed. as CFS; (D) = highlight the checkmark for each month where (A) is greater than (C); (E) = total interference divided by 80% flow as percentage.

Basis for impact evaluation: NA  
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C4b. **690-09-040 (5) (b) The potential to impair or detrimentally affect the public interest is to be determined by the Water Rights Section.**

C5.  **If properly conditioned**, the surface water source(s) can be adequately protected from interference, and/or ground water use under this permit can be regulated if it is found to substantially interfere with surface water:  
i.  The permit should contain condition #(s) \_\_\_\_\_;  
ii.  The permit should contain special condition(s) as indicated in "Remarks" below;

C6. **SW / GW Remarks and Conditions** The head relationships from the available data are telling. All of the sources are about 20' amsl. That said, the well source appears to be connected to the surface water sources. The well report talks about first water at 176 feet which I view as inaccurate. There needs to be a head difference to convince me that there is no/nominal connection.

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References Used: topo maps, logs, review from file LL-863  
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**D. WELL CONSTRUCTION, OAR 690-200**

D1. Well #: \_\_\_\_\_ Logid: \_\_\_\_\_

D2. **THE WELL does not meet current well construction standards based upon:**

- a.  review of the well log;
- b.  field inspection by \_\_\_\_\_;
- c.  report of CWRE \_\_\_\_\_;
- d.  other: (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

D3. **THE WELL construction deficiency:**

- a.  constitutes a health threat under Division 200 rules;
- b.  commingles water from more than one ground water reservoir;
- c.  permits the loss of artesian head;
- d.  permits the de-watering of one or more ground water reservoirs;
- e.  other: (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

D4. **THE WELL construction deficiency is described as follows:** \_\_\_\_\_

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D5. **THE WELL** a.  was, or  was not constructed according to the standards in effect at the time of original construction or most recent modification.

b.  I don't know if it met standards at the time of construction.

D6.  **Route to the Enforcement Section.** I recommend withholding issuance of the permit until evidence of well reconstruction is filed with the Department and approved by the Enforcement Section and the Ground Water Section.

**THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL**

D7.  Well construction deficiency has been corrected by the following actions: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Enforcement Section Signature)

D8.  **Route to Water Rights Section (attach well reconstruction logs to this page).**