Oregon Water Resources Department Water Rights Division

Notice of Existing Reservoir
Number P-83024

Reservoir Mitigation Order

Application History

A reservoir was constructed prior to January 1, 1995. As evidence of the right to store water, pursuant to ORS 537.405(2)(a), notice of existing reservoir was submitted.

Pursuant to ORS 537.405(4)(a) the Department has received information from Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife demonstrating that the reservoir poses a significant detrimental impact to existing fishery resources.

Pursuant to ORS 537.405(4)(b) the Department has received information demonstrating that the reservoir results in injury to an existing water right.

ORS 537.405(7) specifies that "...the director shall require the owner of the reservoir to take appropriate action to mitigate injury to existing water rights or impact to the existing fishery resource."

Therefore, the Department has determined that with the following additional mitigation condition(s), the injury to existing water rights and/or detrimental impact to existing fishery resources, described above, will be mitigated.

Order

To measure the amount of water diverted from Sucker Creek, the water user shall install and maintain a headgate, an in-line flow meter, weir, or other suitable device for measuring and recording the quantity of water diverted. The type and plans of the headgate and measuring device must be approved by the Department prior to beginning construction and shall be installed under the general supervision of the Department.

Any secondary use of stored water is limited each year to the capacity of the reservoir.

Live stream flow must be passed when required to satisfy existing water rights. In order to substantiate live flow is being passed, measuring devices may be required.

The reservoir owner is required to by-pass flows from APRIL 1 through OCTOBER 31.

In accordance with ORS 498.268 and ORS 509.605, install, maintain, and operate bypass devices as required by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife that will provide adequate upstream passage for fish.

Therefore, pursuant to ORS 537.405, the use evidenced by notice of existing reservoir number P-83024, shall be allowed to continue if the injury/negative impact of the reservoir is mitigated as described above.

DATED January 16, 1998

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Director