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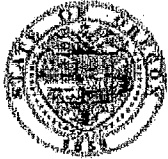
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Message:

We hereby request an administrative hold for an ~~additio~~ additional 180 days
in order to demonstrate the need for a higher than - standard rate request
regarding the attached water right application.

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Dear Applicants:

**THIS IS NOT A PERMIT AND IS
SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT THE NEXT PHASE OF PROCESSING.**

This letter is to inform you of the preliminary analysis of your water use permit application and to describe your options. In determining whether a water use permit application may be approved, the 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 you have supplied, the Water Resources Department has made the following preliminary determinations:

Initial Review Determinations:

1. The application proposed the appropriation of 1.35 cubic feet per second (CFS) of water from Well 1 (MALH 1860) in Snake River Basin for supplemental irrigation of 51.1 acres March 1 through October 31.
2. The proposed use is not prohibited by law or rule except where otherwise noted below.
3. The use of water from Well 1 (MALH 1860) in Snake River Basin for supplemental irrigation of 51.1 acres is allowable under the Malheur Basin Program.
4. Ground water will likely be available within the capacity of the resource, and if properly conditioned, the proposed use of ground water will avoid injury to existing ground water rights.

The Department has determined, based upon OAR 690-009, that the proposed ground water use will not have the potential for substantial interference with any surface water source.

5. The standard allowable rate for irrigation use from ground water is 1/80 CFS per acre. Your application requested 1.35 CFS for 51.1 acres. If the application is approved, the rate allowed will be limited to 0.64 CFS.

However, there is an opportunity for you to submit information to demonstrate the need for the higher-than-standard rate under Oregon Revised Statute 537.621(4); the Department will evaluate any information you submit by Thursday, December 8, 2011. If you need additional time, you may submit a written request for an administrative hold for up to an additional 180 days.