## Oregon Water Resources Department Water Rights Services Division

Water Rights Application
Number G-16804

#### Final Order Incorporating Settlement Agreement

#### Hearing and Appeal Rights

Under the provisions of ORS 537.170 and ORS 537.622, the applicant may request a contested case hearing by submitting the information required for a protest under ORS 537.153(6) or ORS 537.621(7) to the Department within 14 days after the date of mailing of this order as shown below. If a contested case hearing is requested, the Department must schedule one. In the contested case hearing, however, only those issues based on the modifications to the Proposed Final Order may be addressed.

ORS 536.075 allows for additional appeal rights for other than contested case. This is a Final Order in other than contested case. This order is subject to judicial review under ORS 183.484. Any petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60 day time period specified by ORS 183.484(2). Pursuant to ORS 536.075 and OAR 137-004-0080 you may either petition for judicial review or petition the Director for reconsideration of this order. A petition for reconsideration may be granted or denied by the Director, and if no action is taken within 60 days following the date the petition was filed, the petition shall be deemed denied.

This statement of judicial review rights does not create a right to judicial review of this order, if judicial review is otherwise precluded by law. Where no changes have been made to a Proposed Final Order on a water right application and no protests have been filed during the protest period, the Final Order is not subject to judicial review.

#### Application History

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A Settlement Agreement was signed by all parties as of March 20, 2012. The terms of the Settlement Agreement are hereby incoporated into this Final Order and a copy of the Settlement Agreement is included below. In addition, the Applicant, the Protestant, and the Department have agreed to permit conditions set forth in the attached draft permit. The Applicant, the Protestant, and the

Department agree that the Settlement Agreement resolves the need for a hearing in this matter.

On April 2, 2012, the applicant amended the acreage to 395.2 acres.

The proposed use would not impair or be detrimental to the public interest.

#### Order

Application G-16804 is therefore approved as described in the Settlement Agreement and as conditioned by the attached draft permit. Upon payment of outstanding fees in the amount of \$400, a permit shall be issued authorizing the proposed water use.

Failure to meet this requirement within 60 days from the date of this Final Order may result in the proposed rejection of the application.

If you need to request additional time, your written request should be received in the Salem office of the Department within 60 days of this Final Order. The Department will evaluate the request and determine whether or not the request may be approved.

DATED April 6 , 2012

E. Timothy Wallin, Water Rights Program Manager

for Phillip C. Ward, Director Water Resources Department

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MAXIMUM RATE: 4.9 CUBIC FEET PER SECOND

PERIOD OF USE: APRIL 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 31

DATE OF PRIORITY: FEBRUARY 23, 2007

WELL LOCATION: NE '4 NW '4, SECTION 5, T36S, R7E, W.M.; 80 FEET SOUTH AND 100 FEET WEST FROM N1/4 CORNER, SECTION 5

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TOWNSHIP 36 SOUTH, RANGE 7 EAST, W.M.

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All measurements shall be made by a certified water rights examiner, registered professional geologist, registered professional engineer, licensed well constructor or pump installer licensed by the Construction Contractors Board. Measurements shall be submitted on forms provided by, or specified by, the Department. Measurements shall be made with equipment that is accurate to at least the standards specified in OAR 690-217-0045. The Department requires the individual performing the measurement to:

- A. Associate each measurement with an owner's well name or number and a Department well log ID; and
- B. Report water levels to at least the nearest tenth of a foot as depth-to-water below ground surface; and
- C. Specify the method of measurement; and
- D. Certify the accuracy of all measurements and calculations submitted to the Department.

The water user shall discontinue use of, or reduce the rate or volume of withdrawal from, the well(s) if any of the following events occur:

- A. Annual water-level measurements reveal an average water-level decline of three or more feet per year for five consecutive years; or
- B. Annual water-level measurements reveal a water-level decline of 15 or more feet in fewer than five consecutive years; or

- C. Annual water-level measurements reveal a water-level decline of 25 or more feet; or
- D. Hydraulic interference leads to a decline of 25 or more feet in any neighboring well with senior priority.

The period of restricted use shall continue until the water level rises above the decline level which triggered the action or the Department determines, based on the permittee's and/or the Department's data and analysis, that no action is necessary because the aquifer in question can sustain the observed declines without adversely impacting the resource or causing substantial interference with senior water rights. The water user shall not allow excessive decline, as defined in Commission rules, to occur within the aquifer as a result of use under this permit. If more than one well is involved, the water user may submit an alternative measurement and reporting plan for review and approval by the Department.

#### STANDARD CONDITIONS

Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this permit may result in action including, but not limited to, restrictions on the use, civil penalties, or cancellation of the permit.

If the number, location, source, or construction of any well deviates from that proposed in the permit application or required by permit conditions, this permit may not be valid, unless the Department authorizes the change in writing.

If substantial interference with a senior water right occurs due to withdrawal of water from any well listed on this permit, then use of water from the well(s) shall be discontinued or reduced and/or the schedule of withdrawal shall be regulated until or unless the Department approves or implements an alternative administrative action to mitigate the interference. The Department encourages junior and senior appropriators to jointly develop plans to mitigate interferences.

The well(s) shall be constructed in accordance with the General Standards for the Construction and Maintenance of Water Wells in Oregon. The works shall be equipped with a usable access port, and may also include an air line and pressure gauge adequate to determine water level elevation in the well at all times.

Where two or more water users agree among themselves as to the manner of rotation in the use of water and such agreement is placed in writing and filed by such water users with the watermaster, and such rotation system does not infringe upon such prior rights of any water user not a party

to such rotation plan, the watermaster shall distribute the water according to such agreement.

Prior to receiving a certificate of water right, the permit holder shall submit the results of a pump test meeting the department's standards, to the Water Resources Department. The Director may require water level or pump test results every ten years thereafter.

This permit is for the beneficial use of water without waste. The water user is advised that new regulations may require the use of best practical technologies or conservation practices to achieve this end.

By law, the land use associated with this water use must be in compliance with statewide land-use goals and any local acknowledged land-use plan.

Completion of construction and application of the water shall be made within five years of the date of permit issuance. If beneficial use of permitted water has not been made before this date, the permittee may submit an application for extension of time, which may be approved based upon the merit of the application.

Within one year after making beneficial use of water, the permittee shall submit a claim of beneficial use, which includes a map and report, prepared by a Certified Water Rights Examiner.

Issued April 6 , 2012

for Phillip C. Ward, Director Water Resources Department

# BEFORE THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS STATE OF OREGON for the OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of Water Right Application G-16804 in the Name of Melinda Cauvin and Loren Walch,	)	SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
Applicant,	)	OAH Ref. No.: WR-11-008
WaterWatch of Oregon, Inc.,  Protestant.	) ). )	OWRD Case No.: G-16804
	)	

Applicants Melinda Cauvin and Loren Walch ("Applicants") and Protestant WaterWatch of Oregon, Inc., ("WaterWatch") collectively referred to herein as "Parties," and the Oregon Water Resources Department ("OWRD"), stipulate and agree as follows:

#### A. STIPULATED FACTS

- 1. On February 23, 2007, Applicants filed an application for the supplemental use of groundwater. OWRD assigned the application number G-16804.
- 2. On July 19, 2007, Applicants amended G-16804 to provide for a preferred well site and an alternate well site, and to reduce the maximum diversion rate to 4.9 cubic feet per second ("cfs").
- 3. On October 2, 2007, OWRD issued its proposed final order ("PFO") and accompanying draft permit on Application G-16804.
- 4. On November 16, 2007, WaterWatch timely filed a protest.
- 5. On July 6, 2011, OWRD referred the protest on Application G-16804 to the Office of Administrative Hearings for a contested case proceeding.

#### B. STIPULATED FINAL ORDER AND PERMIT TERMS

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1. The Parties and OWRD stipulate and agree that OWRD will issue a Final Order Incorporating Settlement Agreement for Application G-16804 that incorporates and is consistent with the following terms.

Well Location:

NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 5, T36S, R7E, W.M.; 80 feet south

and 100 feet west from N 1/4 Corner, Section 5

Source of Water:

Alternate well site in Upper Klamath Lake Basin

Purpose or Use:

Supplemental Irrigation Use on 390.2 acres, plus up to 5 acres total in the SE ¼ and SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 8, Township 36 South, Range 12 East, W.M. This permit is supplemental to Certificates 65196 and 67518 and to Claim

700 in the Klamath Basin Adjudication.

Period of Use:

April 1 through October 31

Date of Priority:

February 23, 2007

Diversion Rate:

1/80<sup>th</sup> cubic feet per second (cfs) per acre. The maximum

diversion rate is 4.9 cfs.

Duty:

3 acre feet per acre per year.

Place of Use:

Where there are government lots within a quarter/quarter, the acreage figures for each lot within the quarter/quarter

are shown in parentheses.

#### Township 36 South, Range 12 East, W.M.

#### Section 5

35.1 acres in the NW ¼ NW ¼ (Lot 4: 19.2; Lot 5: 15.9)

37.6 acres in the NE ¼ NW ¼ (Lot 3: 17.9; Lot 6: 19.7)

11.9 acres in the SW ¼ NW ¼ (Lot 12: 9.2; Lot 13: 2.7)

39.9 acres in the SE 1/4 NW 1/4 (Lot 11: 20; Lot 14: 19.9)

23.4 acres in the NE ¼ SW ¼ (Lot 19: 16; Lot 22: 7.4)

40 acres in the NW ¼ SE ¼ (Lot 18: 20; Lot 23: 20) (Conditional Acres – see note below) 40 acres in the NE ¼ SE ¼ (Lot 17: 20; Lot 24: 20) (Conditional Acres – see note below)

39.4 acres in the SW ¼ SE ¼, (Lot 26: 19.7; Lot 31: 19.7) 13.2 acres in the SE ¼ SE ¼, (Lot 25: 6.4; Lot: 32: 6.8)

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2.2 acres in the NE 1/4 NE 1/4

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#### Section 8

35.8 acres in the NW ¼ NE ¼
15.0 acres in the NE ¼ NE ¼
Up to 5 total acres in the SW ¼ and SE ¼ of the NE ¼

#### Section 9

21.1 acres in the NW ¼ NW ¼ (Lot 4: 6.7; Lot 5: 14.4)
34.6 acres in the SW ¼ NW ¼ (Lot 12: 15.4; Lot 13: 19.2)
1 acre in the SE ¼ NW ¼ (Lot 14: 1)

- In addition to the terms set forth above, the Permit accompanying the Final Order Incorporating Settlement Agreement shall contain a condition pertaining to the 80 acres in the NW ¼ SE ¼ and NE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 5, T 36 S, R 12 E, W.M. ("Conditional Acres"). The Conditional Acres are subject to Claim 700 in the Klamath Basin Adjudication. The condition shall provide that, once a final order is issued for Claim 700, and if no exceptions are filed to the final order for Claim 700, the place of use, rate and duty recognized in the final order for Claim 700 shall be applied to the Conditional Acres; however, the rate and duty applied to the Conditional Acres may in no event exceed 1/80<sup>th</sup> cfs and 3 acre-feet per acre. If exceptions are filed to the final order for Claim 700, the condition shall provide that the place of use, rate and duty recognized in the decree for Claim 700, after any challenges to the decree are resolved, shall be applied to the Conditional Acres; however, the rate and duty applied to the Conditional Acres may in no event exceed 1/80<sup>th</sup> cfs and 3 acre-feet per acre.
- 3. The Parties and OWRD acknowledge that a map depicting the Place of Use has not been completed. The Parties and OWRD understand and agree that OWRD will not issue a Final Order Incorporating Settlement Agreement ("Final Order") or Permit based on this Settlement Agreement until OWRD has received a map that accurately depicts the Place of Use conforming to the Place of Use described above (including the up-to-five total acres in the SE ½

and SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 8, Township 36 South, Range 12 East, W.M.) and that meets

OWRD's mapping standards.

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#### C. RESOLUTION BASED ON STIPULATED TERMS

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- 1. The Parties and OWRD agree that under the terms and provisions of this WATER RESOURCES DEPT SALEM, OREGON
  Settlement Agreement, the protest to Application G-16804 has been satisfactorily resolved and there is no need for further proceedings before the Office of Administrative Hearing on the protest.
- 2. OWRD agrees to timely withdraw WR-11-008 from the Office of Administrative Hearings after the Settlement Agreement becomes effective.
- OWRD will issue a Final Order for Application G-16804 consistent with the Draft
   Final Order for Application G-16804 attached to this Settlement Agreement.
- 4. Applicants and WaterWatch understand and agree that this Settlement Agreement and the Final Order constitute the complete and final resolution of the WaterWatch protest to the PFO on Application G-16804. Effective upon the issuance of the Final Order, WaterWatch agrees not to further protest or challenge Application G-16804. Applicants and WaterWatch waive any and all rights to petition for judicial review of this Settlement Agreement, and waive any and all rights to request reconsideration, petition for judicial review or appeal the Final Order. Notwithstanding the waiver agreed to in this paragraph, Applicants and WaterWatch retain the right to petition the Department to correct any scrivener's error in the Final Order. If OWRD's Final Order is inconsistent with this Settlement Agreement, any waiver of rights as described in this paragraph is null and void and the Parties reserve any right they may have to contest the Final Order, and otherwise reserve any rights they may have to participate in any further proceedings authorized by law concerning Application G-16804.
- 5. The Parties and OWRD agree that this Settlement Agreement has been reached through good faith negotiations for the purpose of resolving legal disputes, including pending Page 4 G-16804 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

administrative action. The Parties and OWRD agree that no offers and/or compromises made in the course of negotiations shall be construed as admissions against interest. The Parties and OWRD further agree this Settlement Agreement shall not be offered as evidence or treated as an admission regarding any matter herein and may not be used in proceedings on any other claim or contest whatsoever, except that the Settlement Agreement may be used in any future proceeding to interpret and/or enforce the terms of this Settlement Agreement.

- 6. OWRD and each Party to this Settlement Agreement certifies that it has had a reasonable opportunity to review and request changes to the Settlement Agreement, and that it has signed this Settlement Agreement of its own free will and accord. In addition, OWRD and each Party to this Settlement Agreement certifies that it has read the entire Settlement Agreement, including the Draft Final Order Incorporating Settlement Agreement for Application G-16804, and understands and agrees with the contents thereof.
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- 8. OWRD and each Party to this Settlement Agreement represent, warrant, and agree that the person who executed this Settlement Agreement on its behalf has the full right and authority to enter into this Settlement Agreement on its behalf and bind it to the terms of the Settlement Agreement.
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All measurements shall be made by a certified water rights examiner, registered professional geologist, registered professional engineer, licensed well constructor or pump installer licensed by the Construction Contractors Board. Measurements shall be submitted on forms provided by, or specified by, the Department. Measurements shall be made with equipment that is accurate to at least the standards specified in OAR 690-217-0045. The Department requires the individual performing the measurement to:

- A. Associate each measurement with an owner's well name or number and a Department well log ID; and
- B. Report water levels to at least the nearest tenth of a foot as depth-to-water below ground surface; and
- C. Specify the method of measurement; and
- D. Certify the accuracy of all measurements and calculations submitted to the Department.

The water user shall discontinue use of, or reduce the rate or volume of withdrawal from, the well(s) if any of the following events occur:

- A. Annual water-level measurements reveal an average water-level decline of three or more feet per year for five consecutive years; or
- B. Annual water-level measurements reveal a water-level decline of 15 or more feet in fewer than five consecutive years; or
- C. Annual water-level measurements reveal a water-level decline of 25 or more feet; or
- D. Hydraulic interference leads to a decline of 25 or more feet in any neighboring well with senior priority.

The period of restricted use shall continue until the water level rises above the decline level which triggered the action or the Department determines, based on the permittee's and/or the Department's data and analysis, that no action is necessary because the aquifer in question can



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sustain the observed declines without adversely impacting the resource or causing substantial interference with senior water rights. The water user shall not allow excessive decline, as defined in Commission rules, to occur within the aquifer as a result of use under this permit. If more than one well is involved, the water user may submit an alternative measurement and reporting plan for review and approval by the Department.

#### STANDARD CONDITIONS

Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this permit may result in action including, but not limited to, restrictions on the use, civil penalties, or cancellation of the permit.

If the number, location, source, or construction of any well deviates from that proposed in the permit application or required by permit conditions, this permit may not be valid, unless the Department authorizes the change in writing.

If substantial interference with a senior water right occurs due to withdrawal of water from any well listed on this permit, then use of water from the well(s) shall be discontinued or reduced and/or the schedule of withdrawal shall be regulated until or unless the Department approves or implements an alternative administrative action to mitigate the interference. The Department encourages junior and senior appropriators to jointly develop plans to mitigate interferences.

The well(s) shall be constructed in accordance with the General Standards for the Construction and Maintenance of Water Wells in Oregon. The works shall be equipped with a usable access port, and may also include an air line and pressure gauge adequate to determine water level elevation in the well at all times.

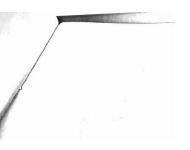
Where two or more water users agree among themselves as to the manner of rotation in the use of water and such agreement is placed in writing and filed by such water users with the watermaster, and such rotation system does not infringe upon such prior rights of any water user not a party to such rotation plan, the watermaster shall distribute the water according to such agreement.

Prior to receiving a certificate of water right, the permit holder shall submit the results of a pump test meeting the department's standards, to the Water Resources Department. The Director may require water level or pump test results every ten years thereafter.

This permit is for the beneficial use of water without waste. The water user is advised that new regulations may require the use of best practical technologies or conservation practices to achieve this end.

By law, the land use associated with this water use must be in compliance with statewide land-use goals and any local acknowledged land-use plan.

Completion of construction and application of the water shall be made within five years of the date



of permit issuance. If beneficial use of permitted water has not been made before this date, the permittee may submit an application for extension of time, which may be approved based upon the merit of the application.

Within one year after making beneficial use of water, the permittee shall submit a claim of beneficial use, which includes a map and report, prepared by a Certified Water Rights Examiner.

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#### CERTIFICATE OF FILING/SERVICE

I hereby certify that on 12. 2012, I filed the original SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT with Joe L. Allen, Administrative Law Judge, Office of Administrative Hearings, P.O. Box 14020, Salem, Oregon 97309-4020, by first-class mail, and by e-mail at joe.l.allen@state.or.us and misty.d.fragua@state.or.us...

I further certify that on 10, 2012, I served the within SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT on the parties hereto by e-mail, and by regular first-class mail, a true, exact and full copy thereof to:

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