Oregon Water Resources Department Water Rights Services Division

Water Rights Application
Number G-17544

Final Order

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

On April 4, 2012, Miracle Land & Livestock LLC submitted an application to the Department for a water use permit.

The Department issued a Proposed Final Order on July 31, 2012. The protest period closed September 14, 2012, and no protest was filed.

The proposed use would not impair or be detrimental to the public interest, but the Department's continuing evaluation reveals that the Proposed Final Order requires modification to correctly describe the measurement, recording and reporting condition, and to omit an unnecessary condition.

The Proposed Final Order described the measurement, recording and reporting condition as:

- A. Before water use may begin under this permit, the permittee shall install a totalizing flow meter or other suitable measuring device as approved by the Director at each well.
- B. Before water use may begin under this permit, a staff gage that measures the entire range and stage between full reservoir level and dead pool storage must be installed in each pond. The staff gages shall be United States Geological Survey style porcelain enamel iron staff gage style A, C, E or I.

The measurement, recording and reporting condition on the attached permit is:

- A. Before water use may begin under this permit, the permittee shall install a totalizing flow meter or other suitable measuring device as approved by the Director at each well and at miracle pump in wetland/storage pond.
- B. Before water use may begin under this permit, a staff gage that measures the entire range and stage between full reservoir level and dead pool storage must be installed and maintained in each pond.

The following condition has been omitted from the attached permit:

The permittee is required to pass all surface water for which a storage right does not exist. The Director may require the user to measure inflow and outflow, above and below the reservoir respectively, to ensure that surface-water flow is not impeded. Measurement devices and their implementation must be acceptable to the Director, and the Director may require that data be recorded on a specified periodic basis and reported to the Department annually or more frequently.

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Application G-17544 therefore is approved with the above modifications to the Proposed Final Order, and Permit G-16982 is issued as limited by the conditions set forth therein.

DATED November 27, 2012

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for Phillip C. Ward, Director

Water Resources Department

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This document was prepared by Jeana Eastman. If you have any questions about any of the statements contained in this document I am most likely the best person to answer your questions. You can reach me at 503-986-0859.

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