

## HARNEY COUNTY COURT

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June Miller Harney County Watermaster 450 North Buena Vista Burns, Oregon 97720

RE: Marvin Wharton

June,

Several weeks ago you questions Marvin Wharton's use of publicly owned right-of-way located in the unincorporated town of Crane, Oregon. Mr. Wharton has, apparently, been using those rights-of-way as a portion of an irrigated meadow/hay field for a number of years.

The Harney County Court has reviewed the records and finds that the rights-of-way in question are under the jurisdiction of the County. We further have agreed to Mr. Wharton's conditional use of them. The Court has signed an agreement and forwarded it to Mr. Wharton to facilitate the continued use of the rights-of-way. As soon as the County receives the signed copy back from Mr. Wharton, I will forward a copy to you.

Hopefully this letter will serve to accommodate your department's requirements and he can obtain the necessary water right.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Steven E. Grasty

Judge, Harney County Court

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