

PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW FOR GROUNDWATER APPLICATIONS

TO: Water Rights Section Date April 10, 2013

FROM: Groundwater Section Marc Norton

SUBJECT: Application LL- 1453 Reviewer's Name Supersedes review of Date of Review(s) _____

PUBLIC INTEREST PRESUMPTION; GROUNDWATER

OAR 690-310-130 (1) *The Department shall presume that a proposed groundwater use will ensure the preservation of the public welfare, safety and health as described in ORS 537.525.* Department staff review groundwater applications under OAR 690-310-140 to determine whether the presumption is established. OAR 690-310-140 allows the proposed use be modified or conditioned to meet the presumption criteria. **This review is based upon available information and agency policies in place at the time of evaluation.**

A. GENERAL INFORMATION: Applicant's Name: Capri Walla Walla County: Umatilla

A1. Applicant(s) seek(s) 0.31 cfs from 1 well(s) in the Umatilla Basin, Walla Walla subbasin Quad Map: Bowlus Hill

A2. Proposed use Irrigation - Vineyard Seasonality: 4/1/2013 through 11/31/2013

A3. Well and aquifer data (attach and number logs for existing wells; mark proposed wells as such under logid):

Well	Logid	Applicant's Well #	Proposed Aquifer*	Proposed Rate(cfs)	Location (T/R-S QQ-Q)	Location, metes and bounds, e.g. 2250' N, 1200' E fr NW cor S 36
1	UMAT 57059	1	CRBG	0.31	05N/36E-23 NE NW	18' S, 435' W fr N1/4 cor S 23
2						
3						
4						
5						

* Alluvium, CRB, Bedrock

Well	Well Elev ft msl	First Water ft bls	SWL ft bls	SWL Date	Well Depth (ft)	Seal Interval (ft)	Casing Intervals (ft)	Liner Intervals (ft)	Perforations Or Screens (ft)	Well Yield (gpm)	Draw Down (ft)	Test Type
1	1615	278	175	7/15/80	295	0 - 30	+1 - 30	-----	-----	400	-----	Air

Use data from application for proposed wells.

A4. Comments: There are two wells on the property. UMAT 4042 is located about ⁹⁰75 feet west of the proposed POA.

Requested discharge rate is 140 gpm = 0.31 cfs.

A5. Provisions of the Umatilla Basin rules relative to the development, classification and/or management of groundwater hydraulically connected to surface water are, or are not, activated by this application. (Not all basin rules contain such provisions.)

Comments: The well is within the five mile boundary for the City of Milton-Freewater wells but a barrier to groundwater separates the proposed well from the City's wells.

A6. Well(s) # _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, tap(s) an aquifer limited by an administrative restriction. Name of administrative area: _____ Comments: _____

B. GROUNDWATER AVAILABILITY CONSIDERATIONS, OAR 690-310-130, 400-010, 410-0070

B1. **Based upon available data, I have determined that groundwater* for the proposed use:**

- a. is over appropriated, is not over appropriated, or **cannot be determined to be** over appropriated during any period of the proposed use. * This finding is limited to the groundwater portion of the over-appropriation determination as prescribed in OAR 690-310-130;
- b. **will not** or **will likely** be available in the amounts requested without injury to prior water rights. * This finding is limited to the groundwater portion of the injury determination as prescribed in OAR 690-310-130;
- c. **will not** or **will likely** to be available within the capacity of the groundwater resource; or
- d. **will, if properly conditioned,** avoid injury to existing groundwater rights or to the groundwater resource:
 - i. The permit should contain condition #(s) 7B – Interference, 7N - Annual WL (February/March), 7P – Well Tag, 7T – Measuring Tube, Large measuring and reporting with flow meter on each well;
 - ii. The permit should be conditioned as indicated in item 2 below.
 - iii. The permit should contain special condition(s) as indicated in item 3 below;

- B2. a. **Condition** to allow groundwater production from no deeper than _____ ft. below land surface;
- b. **Condition** to allow groundwater production from no shallower than _____ ft. below land surface;
- c. **Condition** to allow groundwater production only from a single aquifer in the Columbia River Basalt groundwater reservoir between approximately 270 ft. and 300 ft. below land surface;
- d. **Condition** to allow production only from a single aquifer in the Columbia River Basalt groundwater reservoir;
- e. **Well reconstruction** is necessary to accomplish one or more of the above conditions. The problems that are likely to occur with this use and without reconstructing are cited below. Without reconstruction, I recommend withholding issuance of the permit until evidence of well reconstruction is filed with the Department and approved by the Groundwater Section.

Describe injury –as related to water availability– that is likely to occur without well reconstruction (interference w/ senior water rights, not within the capacity of the resource, etc): _____

B3. **Groundwater availability remarks:** The well is located within the five-mile boundary around the City of Milton-Freewater wells. Based on the information on the Water Well Report and the location of the well, a barrier to groundwater separates the proposed well from the City’s wells and a limited license could be issued. If, in the future, the well is deepened, that determination might change. Therefore, condition B2 (c) limits the well to the aquifer that is currently developed.

There is concern about the well construction. The well log, UMAT 57059, indicates that there is “broken rock” from 38 to 210 feet below land surface. The well constructor, Goral LaPorte, indicated that this was a fractured area but there was no water. Goral LaPorte also indicated that a nearby well, UMAT 4042, encountered the same hydrogeological conditions. UMAT 4042 indicates a black cinder and lava rock – very porous with a small amount of water (3 – 5 gpm). The static water level reported on UMAT 4042 was 145’ on 12/29/1980. The static water level in UMAT 57059 was 175’ on 7/15/1980. The two wells are located about 90 feet apart and at similar elevations, not enough to account for the 30 foot difference in water levels. Additional information needs to be collected to determine if there is borehole flow prior to issuing a permit. See attached cross section. Allow irrigation through November 31, 2013, then have the pump(s) pulled and do a video and temperature log for each well.

C. GROUNDWATER/SURFACE WATER CONSIDERATIONS, OAR 690-09-040

C1. **690-09-040 (1):** Evaluation of aquifer confinement:

Well	Aquifer or Proposed Aquifer	Confined	Unconfined
1	CRBG	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Basis for aquifer confinement evaluation: Groundwater levels rose above where water was encounter.

C2. **690-09-040 (2) (3):** Evaluation of distance to, and hydraulic connection with, surface water sources. All wells located a horizontal distance less than ¼ mile from a surface water source that produce water from an unconfined aquifer shall be assumed to be hydraulically connected to the surface water source. Include in this table any streams located beyond one mile that are evaluated for PSI.

Well	SW #	Surface Water Name	GW Elev ft msl	SW Elev ft msl	Distance (ft)	Hydraulically Connected?			Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?	
						YES	NO	ASSUMED	YES	NO
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Basis for aquifer hydraulic connection evaluation: Groundwater was encountered at an elevation of 1337', over 140' below the elevation of the valley floor. Even allowing for sediments in the valley floor of 30 – 40', the aquifer is well below the river and not hydraulically connected within a one mile reach.

Water Availability Basin the well(s) are located within: _____

C3a. **690-09-040 (4):** Evaluation of stream impacts for each well that has been determined or assumed to be hydraulically connected and less than 1 mile from a surface water source. Limit evaluation to instream rights and minimum stream flows that are pertinent to that surface water source, and not lower SW sources to which the stream under evaluation is tributary. Compare the requested rate against the 1% of 80% natural flow for the pertinent Water Availability Basin (WAB). If Q is not distributed by well, use full rate for each well. Any checked box indicates the well is assumed to have the potential to cause PSI.

Well	SW #	Well < ¼ mile?	Qw > 5 cfs?	Instream Water Right ID	Instream Water Right Q (cfs)	Qw > 1% ISWR?	80% Natural Flow (cfs)	Qw > 1% of 80% Natural Flow?	Interference @ 30 days (%)	Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?
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		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
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C3b. **690-09-040 (4):** Evaluation of stream impacts by total appropriation for all wells determined or assumed to be **hydraulically connected and less than 1 mile** from a surface water source. **Complete only if Q is distributed among wells.** Otherwise same evaluation and limitations apply as in C3a above.

	SW #	Qw > 5 cfs?	Instream Water Right ID	Instream Water Right Q (cfs)	Qw > 1% ISWR?	80% Natural Flow (cfs)	Qw > 1% of 80% Natural Flow?	Interference @ 30 days (%)	Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?
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		<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
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Comments: _____

C4a. **690-09-040 (5):** Estimated impacts on **hydraulically connected surface water sources greater than one mile** as a percentage of the proposed pumping rate. Limit evaluation to the effects that will occur up to one year after pumping begins. This table encompasses the considerations required by 09-040 (5)(a), (b), (c) and (d), which are not included on this form. Use additional sheets if calculated flows from more than one WAB are required.

Non-Distributed Wells													
Well	SW#	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Well Q as CFS													
Interference CFS													
Distributed Wells													
Well	SW#	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Well Q as CFS													
Interference CFS													
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Well Q as CFS													
Interference CFS													
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Well Q as CFS													
Interference CFS													
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Well Q as CFS													
Interference CFS													
(A) = Total Interf.													
(B) = 80 % Nat. Q													
(C) = 1 % Nat. Q													
(D) = (A) > (C)													
(E) = (A / B) x 100		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

(A) = total interference as CFS; (B) = WAB calculated natural flow at 80% exceed. as CFS; (C) = 1% of calculated natural flow at 80% exceed. as CFS; (D) = highlight the checkmark for each month where (A) is greater than (C); (E) = total interference divided by 80% flow as percentage.

D. WELL CONSTRUCTION, OAR 690-200

D1. Well #: _____ Logid: _____

D2. **THE WELL does not meet current well construction standards based upon:**

- a. review of the well log;
- b. field inspection by _____;
- c. report of CWRE _____;
- d. other: (specify) _____

D3. **THE WELL construction deficiency:**

- a. constitutes a health threat under Division 200 rules;
- b. commingles water from more than one groundwater reservoir;
- c. permits the loss of artesian head;
- d. permits the de-watering of one or more groundwater reservoirs;
- e. other: (specify) _____

D4. **THE WELL construction deficiency is described as follows:** _____

- D5. **THE WELL**
- a. was, or was not constructed according to the standards in effect at the time of original construction or most recent modification.
 - b. I don't know if it met standards at the time of construction.

D6. **Route to the Enforcement Section.** I recommend withholding issuance of the permit until evidence of well reconstruction is filed with the Department and approved by the Enforcement Section and the Groundwater Section.

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

D7. Well construction deficiency has been corrected by the following actions: _____

_____, 200____.
(Enforcement Section Signature)

D8. **Route to Water Rights Section (attach well reconstruction logs to this page).**

Limited License LL-1453, Capri Walla Walla Umatilla County, Bowlus Hill Quad



