

690-508-0010**Upper Grande Ronde Subbasin**

(1) Classifications:

(a) The maximum economic development of this state and the attainment of the highest and best use of the waters of the Upper Grande Ronde for the benefit of the state as a whole, will be furthered through utilization of the aforementioned waters only for domestic, livestock, municipal, irrigation, power development, industrial, mining, recreation, wildlife, and fish life uses and the waters of the Upper Grande Ronde Basin are hereby so classified.

(b) Applications for the use of such water shall not be accepted by any state agency for any other purpose and the granting of applications for such other purposes is declared to be prejudicial to the public interest and the granting of applications for such other uses would be contrary to the integrated, coordinated program for the use and control of the water resources of the state.

(c) Structures or works for the utilization of the waters in accordance with the aforementioned classifications are also declared to be prejudicial to the public interest unless planned, constructed, and operated in conformity with applicable provisions of ORS 536.310 and any such structures or works are further declared to be prejudicial to the public interest which do not give proper cognizance to the multiple-purpose concept.

(2) Water Quality: Rights to use of water for industrial or mining purposes granted by any state agency shall be issued only on condition that any effluents or return flows from such uses shall not interfere with other beneficial uses of water.

(3) Power Development: Water rights acquired for hydroelectric power purposes utilizing the waters of the Upper Grande Ronde Basin shall be subordinate in priority to future upstream beneficial uses of water except for hydroelectric power.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 536

Stats. Implemented: ORS 536.220 & ORS 536.310

Hist.: WRB 15, f. 3-7-62; WRB 27, f. 5-11-64; WRD 2-1981, f. & cert. ef. 4-30-81;

WRD 5-1985, f. & cert. ef. 6-14-85; Administrative Renumbering 1-1993, Renumbered from 690-080-0080; WRD 2-1997, f. & cert. ef. 2-25-97

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