Oregon Water Resources Department

Water Right Services Division

Water Rights Application Number G-17158

FINAL ORDER

Extension of Time for Permit Number G-16544 Permit Holder: Birkemeier Farms Inc.

	Permit Information	
Application:	G-17158	
Permit:	G-16544	
Basin:	2 – Willamette / Watermaster District 20	
Date of Priority:	December 31, 2008	
Source of Water:	Well 1 (CLAC 65581) in Willamette River Basin	
Purpose of Use:	Nursery use on 94.0 Acres	
Maximum Rate:	1.11 cubic feet per second (cfs)	

This Extension of Time request is being processed in accordance with Oregon Revised Statute 537.630 and 539.010(5), and Oregon Administrative Rule Chapter 690, Division 315

Appeal Rights

This is a final order in other than a contested case. This order is subject to judicial review under ORS 183.484. A request 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 file 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.

Application History

Permit G-16544 was issued by the Department on August 20, 2009. The permit called for completion of construction by August 20, 2014 and complete application of water to beneficial use by August 20, 2014. On July 16, 2014, Birkemeier Farms Inc. submitted to the Department an Application for Extension of Time for Permit G-16544. In accordance with OAR 690-315-0050(2), on October 28, 2014, the Department issued a Proposed Final Order proposing to extend the time to complete construction to October 30, 2019, and the time to fully apply water to beneficial use to October 30, 2019. The protest period closed December 12, 2014, in accordance with OAR 690-315-0060(1). No protest was filed.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Department adopts and incorporates by reference the findings of fact in the Proposed Final Order dated October 28, 2014.

At time of issuance of the Proposed Final Order the Department concluded that, based on the factors demonstrated by the applicant, any comments received, and information within the file, the permit may be extended subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

1. <u>Checkpoint Condition</u>

The permit holder must submit a completed Progress Report Form to the Department by **October 1, 2018**. *A form is enclosed with this Final Order*.

- (a) At each checkpoint, the permit holder shall submit and the Department shall review evidence of the permit holder's diligence towards completion of the project and compliance with terms and conditions of the permit and extension. If, after this review, the Department determines the permit holder has not been diligent in developing and perfecting the water use permit, or complied with all terms and conditions, the Department shall modify or further condition the permit or extension to ensure future compliance, or begin cancellation proceedings on the undeveloped portion of the permit pursuant to ORS 537.260 or 537.410, or require submission of a final proof survey pursuant to ORS 537.250;
- (b) The Department shall provide notice of receipt of progress reports in its weekly notice and shall allow a 30 day comment period for each report. The Department shall provide notice of its determination to anyone who submitted comments.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

The applicant has demonstrated good cause for the permit extension pursuant to ORS 537.630, 539.010(5) and OAR 690-315-0040(2).

ORDER

The extension of time for Application G-17158, Permit G-16544, therefore, is approved subject to conditions contained herein. The deadline for completing construction is extended to from August 20, 2014 to October 30, 2019. The deadline for applying water to full beneficial use within the terms and conditions of the permit is extended from August 20, 2014 to October 30, 2019.

DATED: December 19, 2014

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Water Right Services Division Administrator, for Thomas M, Byler, Director Oregon Water Resources Department

- If you have any questions about statements contained in this document, please contact the Permit Extension Specialist at (503) 986-0802.
- If you have other questions about the Department or any of its programs, please contact our Water Resources Customer Service Group at (503) 986-0900



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TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Permit Holder: Birkemeier Farms Inc.

Application G-17158

Permit G-16544

Progress Report for 2018

Report Due no later than October 1, 2018 DO NOT SUBMIT PRIOR TO 30 DAYS BEFORE DUE DATE

As authorized in ORS 690-315-0050(6), this progress report is required in order to ensure diligence is exercised in the development and perfections of Permit G-16544.

FAILURE TO SUBMIT THIS REPORT WILL MOST LIKELY RESULT IN ANY FUTURE EXTENSION BEING DENIED.

DATES	LIST ALL WORK ACCOMPLISHED and FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS For the period of time between July 16: 2014 and October 1, 2018	EINANGIAL INVESTMENT

2. Describe actions to achieve compliance with conditions of the permit and/or previous extension.

3. Total number of acres irrigated to date: _____(NA if not applicable)

4. Provide the maximum rate, or duty if applicable, of water diverted for beneficial use under this permit, if any, to date.

Maximum rate used to date = _____cfs (cubic feet per second) or

Maximum rate used to date = _____gpm (gallons per minute) or

Signature Date____

Acre Feet stored to date = _____AF

INCOMPLETE REPORTS WILL BE RETURNED. AN ANSWER IS <u>REQUIRED</u> IN EACH ITEM.

Report the rate in the same units of measurement as specified in the permit, being cfs (cubic feet per second), gpm (gallons per minute) or AF (acre-feet). Do not provide daily, monthly or annual water volume totals.

Printed	Name	/Title

Diligence Shown
Yes

No
Date Public Noticed:

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Date: