



May 29, 2015

JASON COLE
ELIZABETH CLEARY-COLE
1050 HUMBUG CREEK RD
JACKSONVILLE, OR 97530

Reference: File G-18050

Dear Applicant:

**THIS IS NOT A PERMIT AND IS
SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT THE NEXT PHASE OF PROCESSING.**

This letter is to inform you of the preliminary analysis of your water-use permit application and to describe your options. In determining whether an application may be approved, the Department must consider the factors listed below, all of which must be favorable to the proposed use if it is to be allowed. Based on the information you have supplied, the Water Resources Department has made the following preliminary determinations:

Initial Review Determinations:

1. Based on the application materials and subsequent correspondence, the Department understands that ground water will be pumped into a pond for *temporary storage*, and will ultimately be used for irrigation. Temporary storage in a reservoir that does not exceed 10 days between irrigation sets, temperature control applications, or agriculture spray applications is considered a bulge-in-the-system, and does not require a permit for storage.
2. The application proposed the appropriation of 0.13 cubic foot per second (CFS) of water from Well 1 (JOSE 59341/L114218) and Well 2 in Powell Creek Basin for irrigation of 15.0 acres April 1 through October 31 of each year.
3. The proposed use is not prohibited by law or rule except where otherwise noted below.
4. The appropriation of water from Well 1 (JOSE 59341/L114218) and Well 2 in Powell Creek Basin for irrigation is allowable under the Rogue Basin Program (OAR 690-515-0030).
5. Ground water will likely be available within the capacity of the resource, and the proposed use of ground water will avoid injury to existing ground water rights.

The Department has determined, based upon OAR 690-009, that the proposed ground water use will have the potential for substantial interference with Powell Creek. Therefore, in accordance with OAR 690-400-0010(11)(a)(B), surface water availability must also be considered. Surface water is not available at any time of year.

6. The proposed diversion falls within a high priority area for streamflow restoration under the Oregon Plan for Salmon & Watersheds.
7. The proposed use is located above the Rogue Scenic Waterway, as designated under Oregon Revised Statute 390.826.
8. A portion of the area proposed to be irrigated under this application is currently covered by an existing irrigation water right evidenced by Certificate 2108, which conflicts with the application.

Although it is unlikely that a permit will be issued, if the Department's findings change, the Department understands it's your intention to resolve this conflict with Certificate 2108 by diminishing it to supplemental irrigation.

Summary of Allowable Water Use

Because not all items above are favorable, the appropriation of 0.13 CFS of water from Well 1 (JOSE 59341/L114218) and Well 2 in Powell Creek Basin for irrigation of 15.0 acres is not allowable, and it appears unlikely that you will be issued a permit unless a suitable mitigation proposal is provided prior to issuance of the Proposed Final Order. At this time, you must decide whether to proceed or to withdraw your application as described below.

Please reference the application number when sending any correspondence regarding the conclusions of this Initial Review. Comments received within the comment period will be evaluated at the next phase of the process.

Withdrawal Refunds:

If you choose not to proceed, you may withdraw the application and receive a refund (minus a \$225 processing charge per application). To accomplish this you must notify the Department in writing by **Friday, June 12, 2015**. For your convenience you may use the enclosed "STOP PROCESSING" form.

To Proceed With Your Application:

If you choose to proceed with the application, you do not have to notify the Department. Your application will automatically be placed on the Department's Public Notice to allow others the opportunity to comment. After the comment period the Department will complete a public interest review and issue a Proposed Final Order.

If A Permit Is Issued It Will Likely Include The Following Conditions:

1. Measurement devices, and recording/reporting of annual water use conditions:
 - A. Before water use may begin under this permit, the permittee shall install a totalizing flow meter at each point of appropriation. The permittee shall maintain the device in good working order.

- B. The permittee shall allow the watermaster access to the device; provided however, where any device is located within a private structure, the watermaster shall request access upon reasonable notice.
 - C. The Director may require the permittee to keep and maintain a record of the volume of water diverted, and may require the permittee to report water-use on a periodic schedule as established by the Director. In addition, the Director may require the permittee to report general water-use information, the periods of water use and the place and nature of use of water under the permit.
 - D. The Director may provide an opportunity for the permittee to submit alternative measuring and reporting procedures for review and approval.
2. Prior to using water from any well listed on this permit, the permittee shall ensure that the well has been assigned an OWRD Well Identification Number (Well ID tag), which shall be permanently attached to the well. The Well ID shall be used as a reference in any correspondence regarding the well, including any reports of water use, water level, or pump test data.
 3. Use of water under authority of this permit may be regulated if analysis of data available after the permit is issued discloses that the appropriation will measurably reduce the surface water flows necessary to maintain the free-flowing character of a scenic waterway in quantities necessary for recreation, fish and wildlife in effect as of the priority date of the right or as those quantities may be subsequently reduced.

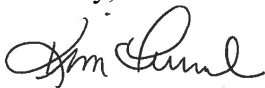
This initial review does not attempt to address various public interest issues such as sensitive, threatened, or endangered fish species. These issues will be addressed as the Department reviews comments from the public and other agencies, and prepares a Proposed Final Order. You should be aware that, if significant public interest issues are found to exist, such a finding could have an impact on the eventual outcome of your application.

The water source identified in your application may be affected by an Agricultural Water Quality Management Area Plan. These plans are developed by the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) with the cooperation of local landowners and other interested stakeholders, and help to ensure that current and new appropriations of water are done in a way that does not adversely harm the environment. You are encouraged to explore ODA's Water Quality Program web site at <http://www.oregon.gov/ODA/programs/NaturalResources/Pages/AgWaterQuality.aspx> to learn more about the plans and how they may affect your proposed water use.

If you have any questions:

Feel free to call me at 503-986-0816 if you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter or your application. Please have your application number available if you call. General questions about water rights and water use permits should be directed to our customer service staff at 503-986-0801. When corresponding by mail, please use this address: Kim French, Oregon Water Resources Department, 725 Summer St NE Ste A, Salem OR 97301-1266. Our fax number is 503-986-0901.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim French". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kim" and last name "French" clearly distinguishable.

Kim French
Water Right Application Caseworker

enclosures: Application Process Description and Stop Processing Request Form

G-18050
WAB 15-71026
POU 15-71026
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APPLICATION FACT SHEET

Application File Number: G-18050

Applicant: JASON COLE AND ELIZABETH CLEARY-COLE

County: Josephine

Watermaster: 14

Priority Date: April 13, 2015

Source: WELL 1 (JOSE 59341/L114218) AND WELL 2 IN POWELL CREEK BASIN

Use: IRRIGATION OF 15.0 ACRES

Quantity: 0.13 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND

Basin Name & Number: Rogue, #15

Stream Index Reference: Volume 6A POWELL CR & MISC

Well Location(s):

WELL 1 (JOSE 59341/L114218): NESW, SECTION 15, T38S, R5W, W.M.; 265 FEET SOUTH AND 235 FEET WEST FROM C1/4 CORNER, SECTION 15

WELL 2: NESW, SECTION 15, T38S, R5W, W.M.; 645 FEET SOUTH AND 470 FEET WEST FROM C1/4 CORNER, SECTION 15

Place of Use:

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 15.0 ACRES
SECTION 15
TOWNSHIP 38 SOUTH, RANGE 5 WEST, W.M.

14 DAY STOP PROCESSING DEADLINE DATE: Friday, June 12, 2015

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE: Tuesday, June 2, 2015

30 DAY COMMENT DEADLINE DATE: Thursday, July 2, 2015

Mailing List for IR Copies

Application #G-18050

IR Date: May 29, 2015

Original and map mailed to applicant:

JASON COLE AND ELIZABETH CLEARY-COLE, 1050 HUMBUG CREEK RD,
JACKSONVILLE, OR 97530

SENT VIA EMAIL:

1. WRD - Watermaster # 14
2. ODFW
3. DEQ

Copies sent to:

1. WRD - Water Availability: Shawn Ortiz-Turner

IR, Map, and Fact Sheet Copies sent to:

2. WRD - File # G-18050
3. WRD - Regional Manager: SWR
4. Department of Agriculture

<p>Copies Mailed By: _____ (SUPPORT STAFF) on: _____ (DATE)</p>

Copies sent to Other Interested Persons (CWRE, Agent, Well Driller, Commenter, etc.)

1. Norm Daft, 245 Glenoak Lane, Grants Pass, OR 97526

Caseworker: Kim French

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**APPLICATION PROCESS DESCRIPTION FOR
GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER AND REGULAR RESERVOIR
APPLICATIONS**

In order to take and use the waters of Oregon, a citizen must first obtain a permit from the Water Resources Department. The water must be used for beneficial purpose - without waste. To become well-informed about water right topics, weekly public notice, forms and fees please visit our web site at www.wrd.state.or.us

1. Pre-application considerations

- follow instructions in the application packet
- if you have questions about completing an application or would like to arrange a pre-application conference contact the Department's Water Rights Information Group (WRIG) at 503-986-0801

2. Application filing

- application with fee is received by the Department
- Department determines completeness of application
- if use is not allowed by statute (ORS 538), the application and fees are returned to the applicant
- incomplete application and fees are returned to the applicant
- only a complete application receives a tentative priority date, is assigned a caseworker, and moves forward for processing

3. Initial Review (IR)

- caseworker reviews application by considering basin plans, water availability, statutory restrictions and all other appropriate factors
- caseworker sends IR report to applicant
- contact the caseworker if you have questions about the IR
- seven days after date of the IR, it is included in Department's weekly Public Notice
- public comments must be submitted within 30 days after the Public Notice
- **administrative hold** may be requested in writing by applicant

4. Proposed Final Order (PFO)

- caseworker evaluates application against required criteria and develops draft permit, if appropriate
- PFO includes instructions for filing of protests
- caseworker considers public comments and mails PFO to applicant
- the PFO is included in Department's weekly Public Notice
- public protests to the PFO must be submitted within 45 days after the Public Notice

Stop Processing deadline is within 14 days of Initial Review - use the form below

- applicant may request no further action and fee refund of all but \$225

**STOP PROCESSING REQUEST FOR
GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER AND REGULAR RESERVOIR APPLICATIONS**

Applicant notification to withdraw Water Right Application # _____

After reviewing the Initial Review for my application, I request that processing be stopped and the fees be refunded (minus a \$225 examination fee.) I understand that without a valid permit I may not legally use the water as requested in my application

Signature _____ date _____

Signature _____ date _____

Under ORS 537.150 (5) and 537.620 (5) timely submission of this request authorizes that the water right application process be stopped and all filing fees (except \$225 examination fee) be returned.

This notice must be received at Water Resources Department by _____

Return the notice to: OWRD, Water Rights Division

STOP PROCESSING

725 Summer Street, NE - Suite A

Salem OR 97301-1271

5. Final Order (FO)

- if no protest is filed, Final Order is issued

The protest process

If one or more protests are filed, permit process consists of:

- settlement discussion
- contested case hearing
- proposed order
- period of time to file exceptions
- possible hearing by Water Resources Commission
- final order issued

Permit holder responsibilities

- comply with all water use conditions of the permit
- advise Department of address change or assignment to new permit holder
- if need arises, request extension of time or authorize cancellation of permit
- submit timely claim of beneficial use (COBU) to Department
- most permits require COBU to be prepared by a Certified Water Right Examiner
- permits may be canceled by the permit holder or by the Department for failure to comply with or one or more permit conditions