

PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW FOR GROUNDWATER APPLICATIONS

TO: Water Rights Section Date December 15, 2015

FROM: Groundwater Section Aurora C Bouchier / Ken Lite  
Reviewer's Name

SUBJECT: Application G- 18112 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: Shotgun Ranch, LLC County: Crook

A1. Applicant(s) seek(s) 1.0 cfs from 1 well(s) in the Deschutes Basin,  
Crooked River (Drake Butte Quad) subbasin

A2. Proposed use irrigation (40 ac pri, 41 ac sup) Seasonality: April 15 – October 15

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	PROPOSED	4	Bedrock** see comments in A4.	1 (450 gpm)	17S/20E-4 SE-SE	1180' N, 5' W fr SE Cor S 4
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	3472				400	0-19						

Use data from application for proposed wells.

A4. **Comments:** The application lists 'to be determined' as the resource aquifer. In this location, it is likely that a relatively thin layer of unconsolidated alluvium overlies rocks of the Clarno Formation. The proposed well depth is 400 feet. Therefore it is likely the well will be completed into water-bearing zones within the Clarno Formation.

A5.  **Provisions of the** Deschutes 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 proposed well site is located outside the USGS Deschutes Ground Water Study Area.

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) 7N and 7J;
  - 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 50 ft. below land surface;
- c.  **Condition** to allow groundwater production only from the \_\_\_\_\_ groundwater reservoir between approximately \_\_\_\_\_ ft. and \_\_\_\_\_ ft. below land surface;
- d.  **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): \_\_\_\_\_

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B3. **Groundwater availability remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

Condition with 7N and 7J.

The well must be continuously cased and continuously sealed to at least 50 feet below land surface to ensure the well is completed in the bedrock.

The well logs of nearby wells (CROO 336, CROO 459, CROO 2825/2824, and CROO 2841) report higher than expected yields for wells producing from the Clarno Formation. The pump test for CROO 2825/2824, constructed in the Clarno Formation, likely indicates a limited supply due to the large drawdown. The confined condition described on the well logs for CROO 336, CROO 459, and CROO 2841 may indicate that produced water is coming out of storage, the long term capacity of this resource is not known.

**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	Bedrock	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Basis for aquifer confinement evaluation:** \_

Groundwater flow systems in the Clarno volcanics are presumably in secondary fractures which are likely semi-confined, given the reported age of the material. Well logs for some nearby wells (up to 13 miles away in a straight line up the Crooked River) report static water levels above the water bearing zones (CROO 2841, CROO 459, and CROO 336), indicating confined conditions. The well log for CROO 2825 (~4.5 miles down the Crooked River) reports a static water level roughly equal to the depth at which water was first encountered, indicating the flow system is likely unconfined, at least locally. Nearby domestic wells (CROO 2827 and CROO 2828) were constructed to produce water from both a shallow alluvial aquifer and flow zones within the bedrock aquifer, so it is difficult to determine if locally the bedrock is confined, semi-confined, or unconfined.

Given the variability of groundwater flow systems within the Clarno Formation, and the fact that the orientation of existing fractures is unknown, it is difficult to predict what will be encountered if a well is drilled at this location.

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
1	1	Drake & Wildcat Creeks	~3450	3400-3722	1320	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1	2	Crooked River	~3450	3392-3408	2535	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Basis for aquifer hydraulic connection evaluation:** The elevation of the hydraulic head in nearby wells is coincident or above the surface water elevation. The Crooked River likely represents a regional hydrologic sink.

**Water Availability Basin the well(s) are located within:** 70353: CROOKED R> DESCHUTES R- AB SAND CR

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?
1	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	See comments	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	70353	47.80	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	38.70	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	See comments	<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"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

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?
			<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Comments:** Pumping from the well will likely impact surface water along the creeks and the Crooked River. However, the nature of the aquifer system precludes the use of available analytical models to evaluate the timing of interference.

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.

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

(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.

**Basis for impact evaluation:** Pumping from the well will likely impact surface water along the creeks and the Crooked River. However, the nature of the aquifer system precludes the use of available analytical models to evaluate the timing of interference.

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C4b. **690-09-040 (5) (b) The potential to impair or detrimentally affect the public interest is to be determined by the Water Rights Section.**

- C5.  **If properly conditioned**, the surface water source(s) can be adequately protected from interference, and/or groundwater use under this permit can be regulated if it is found to substantially interfere with surface water:
  - i.  The permit should contain condition #(s) \_\_\_\_\_;
  - ii.  The permit should contain special condition(s) as indicated in "Remarks" below;

C6. **SW / GW Remarks and Conditions:** \_\_\_\_\_

If a permit is issued, condition with 7N nad 7J.  
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**References Used:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Application File: G-18112.**

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Well logs for CROO 336, CROO 459, CROO 2825/2824, CROO 2827, CROO 2828, and CROO 2841.

**D. WELL CONSTRUCTION, OAR 690-200**

D1. Well #: \_\_\_\_\_ Logid: \_\_\_\_\_

D2. **THE WELL does not appear to 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 or other comment is described as follows:** \_\_\_\_\_

D4.  **Route to the Well Construction and Compliance Section for a review of existing well construction.**

**Water Availability Tables**

WATER AVAILABILITY TABLE															
Watershed ID #: 70353		CROOKED R > DESCHUTES R - AB SAND CR										Exceedance Level: 80			
Time: 2:44 PM		Basin: DESCHUTES										Date: 12/09/2015			
# Watershed	Nest ID Number	Stream Name	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	STOR
1	70087	DESCHUTES R > COLUMBIA R - AB MOUTH AT GAGE 14103000	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES
2	30530627	DESCHUTES R > COLUMBIA R - AB EAGLE CR	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES
3	30530643	DESCHUTES R > COLUMBIA R - AB SHITIKE CR	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES
4	30530508	CROOKED R > DESCHUTES R - AB OSBORNE CAN	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES
5	30530507	CROOKED R > DESCHUTES R - AB DRY R	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES
6	70353	CROOKED R > DESCHUTES R - AB SAND CR	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES

DETAILED REPORT ON THE WATER AVAILABILITY CALCULATION						
Watershed ID #: 70353		CROOKED R > DESCHUTES R - AB SAND CR				Exceedance Level: 80
Time: 2:44 PM		Basin: DESCHUTES				Date: 12/09/2015
Month	Natural Stream Flow	Consumptive Use and Storage	Expected Stream Flow	Reserved Stream Flow	Instream Requirements	Net water Available
Monthly values are in cfs. Storage is the annual amount at 50% exceedance in ac-ft.						
JAN	78.90	7.74	71.20	0.00	50.00	21.20
FEB	175.00	15.50	160.00	0.00	75.00	84.50
MAR	337.00	70.80	266.00	0.00	113.00	153.00
APR	598.00	175.00	423.00	0.00	113.00	310.00
MAY	404.00	370.00	34.20	0.00	113.00	-78.80
JUN	261.00	295.00	-34.50	0.00	75.00	-109.00
JUL	80.10	85.00	-4.86	0.00	50.00	-54.90
AUG	38.70	43.20	-4.47	0.00	47.80	-52.30
SEP	45.20	44.80	0.37	0.00	50.00	-49.60
OCT	47.30	22.90	24.40	0.00	50.00	-25.60
NOV	60.60	3.44	57.20	0.00	50.00	7.16
DEC	76.50	5.50	71.00	0.00	50.00	21.00
ANN	223,000	68,900	154,000	0	50,500	114,000

Well Location Map

