

Water Resources Department

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February 12, 2016

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Reference: File G-18185

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 the water-use permit application and to describe the 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 supplied, the Water Resources Department has made the following preliminary determinations:

Initial Review Determinations:

- 1. The application proposed the appropriation of 0.375 cubic foot per second (CFS) of water from Well 1, Well 2 (CLAC 51243/53399), and Well 3 (CLAC 69332/L105640) in Parrott Creek Basin for irrigation of 30.00 acres March 1 through October 31 of each year.
- 2. The proposed use is not prohibited by law or rule except where otherwise noted below.
- 3. The appropriation of water from Well 1, Well 2 (CLAC 51243/53399), and Well 3 (CLAC 69332/L105640) in Parrott Creek Basin for irrigation is allowable under the Willamette Basin Program (OAR 690-502-0160).
- 4. Groundwater will likely be available within the capacity of the resource, and if properly conditioned, the proposed use of groundwater will avoid injury to existing groundwater rights.

The Department has determined, based upon OAR 690-009, that the proposed groundwater use will not have the potential for substantial interference with any surface water source.

5. The application proposed irrigation of 30.00 acres however the submitted map indicates 23.46 acres. Please clarify the total number of acres, and provide a revised map if appropriate by **Thursday, March 17, 2016.** If you need additional time, you may send a written request for up to 180 days. If we do not receive clarification and/or a revised map or a hold request by this date, the Department will proceed with the acreage

shown on the map and a rate and duty commensurate with 23.46 acres, being 0.29 CFS and 2.5 acre-feet (AF) per acre per year.

6. Portions of the area proposed to be irrigated under this application are currently covered by existing irrigation water rights as evidenced by Certificate 50567, Permit G-16875, and Permit G-17218, which conflict with the application. The Department understands that the applicant intends to cancel Permit G-16875 concurrent with any approval for a groundwater permit for this application. Please see the **Conflict Resolution Information** section below for more information.

Summary of Initial Determinations

The appropriation of 0.29 CFS of water from Well 1, Well 2 (CLAC 51243/53399), and Well 3 (CLAC 69332/L105640) in Parrott Creek Basin for irrigation of 23.46 acres may be allowable, contingent upon the resolution of conflicting rights.

Because of these favorable determinations, the Department can now move the application to the next phase of the water-rights application review process, where public interest factors will be evaluated.

Conflict Resolution Information:

Portions of the area proposed to be irrigated under this application are currently covered by existing irrigation water rights as evidenced by Certificate 50567, Permit G-16875, and Permit G-17218, which conflict with the application. The Department understands the applicant intends to cancel Permit G-16875 concurrent with any approval for a groundwater permit for this application.

If you would like this application to be the primary right, the Department must receive:

- Completed forms authorizing cancellation of the conflicting portions of the existing rights, namely Permits G-16875 and G-17218, along with a map describing those portions; or
- Completed affidavits of diminution of the conflicting portions of Certificate 50567 to reduce to supplemental use, along with a map describing those portions (please note that Permit G-16875 and Permit G-17218 are groundwater rights drawing from the same source as proposed in this application, therefore, they are not eligible for supplemental use to this application); or
- Transfer applications addressing the conflicting portions of the existing rights; or
- Another means of dealing with the conflicts between the existing rights and the use proposed under this application.

If you would like this application to be supplemental to existing Certificate 50567, the Department must receive a revised map showing the place of use of both the primary and supplemental lands. Please note the supplemental lands will be limited and/or jeopardized as follows:

- If the existing right is found to have been forfeited, the use which is supplemental to such certificate may also be canceled.
- You may only use the supplemental right after the primary right becomes unavailable. Water from the primary source must be exhausted first.

The season of use for the supplemental irrigation will be limited to that of the primary right.

Please submit this information no later than Thursday, March 17, 2016. If you are unable to submit the information listed above, you may request an administrative hold for up to an additional 180 days. You must submit the request in writing, stating how much more time you will need and why you need additional time. If an administrative hold is granted, your application will not be processed further until the requested information is received or the extended deadline has passed.

At the time of perfection, the permittee may request that the use be certificated as primary irrigation, if water has been used beneficially according to the terms and conditions of this permit, and if underlying primary water rights are simultaneously diminished or canceled.

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.

To Proceed With the Application:

If you choose to proceed with the application, you do not have to notify the Department. The 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.

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, February 26, 2016**. For your convenience you may use the enclosed "STOP PROCESSING" form.

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. <u>Static Water Level Conditions</u>

The Department requires the water user to obtain, from a qualified individual (see below), and report annual static water levels for each well on the permit. The static water level shall be measured in the month of March. Reports shall be submitted to the Department within 30 days of measurement.

The permittee shall report an initial March static water-level measurement once well construction is complete and annual measurements thereafter. Annual measurements are required whether or not the well is used. The first annual measurement will establish a reference level against which future measurements will be compared. However, the Director may establish the reference level based on an analysis of other water-level data. The Director may require the user to obtain and report additional water levels each year if more data are needed to evaluate the aquifer system.

All measurements shall be made by a certified water rights examiner, registered professional geologist, registered professional engineer, licensed well constructor or pump installer licensed by the Construction Contractors Board. Measurements shall be submitted on forms provided by, or specified by, the Department. Measurements shall be made with equipment that is accurate to at least the standards specified in OAR 690-217-0045. The Department requires the individual performing the measurement to:

- A. Associate each measurement with an owner's well name or number and a Department well log ID; and
- B. Report water levels to at least the nearest tenth of a foot as depth-to-water below ground surface; and
- C. Specify the method of measurement; and
- D. Certify the accuracy of all measurements and calculations reported to the Department.

The Department may require the discontinuance of groundwater use, or reduce the rate or volume of withdrawal, from the well(s) if any of the following events occur:

- A. Annual water-level measurements reveal an average water-level decline of three or more feet per year for five consecutive years; or
- B. Annual water-level measurements reveal a water-level decline of 15 or more feet in fewer than five consecutive years; or
- C. Annual water-level measurements reveal a water-level decline of 25 or more feet; or
- D. Hydraulic interference leads to a decline of 25 or more feet in any neighboring well with senior priority.

The period of restricted use shall continue until the water level rises above the decline level which triggered the action or the Department determines, based on the permittee's and/or the Department's data and analysis, that no action is necessary because the aquifer in question can sustain the observed declines without adversely impacting the resource or causing substantial interference with senior water rights. The water user shall not allow excessive decline, as defined in Commission rules, to occur within the aquifer as a result of use under this permit. If more than one well is involved, the water user may submit an alternative measurement and reporting plan for review and approval by the Department.

3. Groundwater production shall occur only from the alluvial groundwater reservoir.

4. Well Identification Tag Condition

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.

The water source identified in the 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 the proposed water use.

If you have any questions:

Feel free to contact me at <u>Barbara.J.Park@wrd.state.or.us</u> or 503-986-0859 if you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter or the application. Please have the 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: Barbara Park, Oregon Water Resources Department, 725 Summer St NE Ste A, Salem OR 97301-1266. Our fax number is 503-986-0901.

Sincerely,

Barbara Park Water Right Application Caseworker

enclosures: Application Process Description and Stop Processing Request Form

G-18185 WAB 2-no PSI POU 2-no PSI GW

APPLICATION FACT SHEET

Application File Number: G-18185

Applicant: CRAIG AND CHERYL B COLLINS

County: Clackamas

Watermaster: 20

Priority Date: December 30, 2015

Source: WELL 1, WELL 2 (CLAC 51243/53399), AND WELL 3 (CLAC 69332/L105640) IN PARROTT CREEK BASIN

Use: IRRIGATION OF 30.00 ACRES

Quantity: 0.375 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND

Basin Name & Number: Willamette, #2

Stream Index Reference: Volume 16 PARROTT CR MISC

Well Location(s):

WELL 1: SESW SECTION 24, T3S, R1E, W.M.; 50 FEET NORTH AND 1545 FEET EAST FROM NW CORNER, SECTION 25

WELL 2 (CLAC 51243/53399): NWNW SECTION 25, T3S, R1E, W.M.; 520 FEET SOUTH AND 755 FEET EAST FROM NW CORNER, SECTION 25

WELL 3 (CLAC 69332/L105640): NENW SECTION 25, T3S, R1E, W.M.; 175 FEET SOUTH AND 2490 FEET EAST FROM NW CORNER, SECTION 25

Place of Use:

SW ¼ SW ¼ 8.23 ACRES SE ¼ SW ¼ 1.50 ACRES SECTION 24

NE ¼ NW ¼ 1.50 ACRES NW ¼ NW ¼ 12.23 ACRES SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, W.M.

14 DAY STOP PROCESSING DEADLINE DATE: Friday, February 26, 2016

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE: Tuesday, February 16, 2016

30 DAY COMMENT DEADLINE DATE: Thursday, March 17, 2016

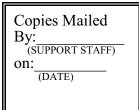
Mailing List for IR Copies Application #G-18185

Original and map mailed to applicant:

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SENT VIA EMAIL:

WRD -Watermaster #20
 Agent, Doann Hamilton, PHGDMH@GMAIL.COM



IR, Map, and Fact Sheet Copies sent to: 1. WRD - File # G-18185 2. Department of Agriculture

Caseworker: Barbara Park

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
- <u>incomplete</u> 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 date _____

Signature _____ 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