

**Oregon Water Resources Department
Water Right Services Division**

Application for Extension of Time

In the Matter of the Application for an Extension of Time)
for Permit G-15677, Water Right Application G-14999, in the) FINAL ORDER
name of Bear Creek Ranch, LLC.)

Permit Information

Application:	G-14999
Permit:	G-15677
Basin:	5 – Crook / Watermaster District 11
Date of Priority:	June 16, 1999
Source of Water:	Four wells in Bear Creek Basin
Purpose of Use:	Primary irrigation of 119.9 acres and supplemental irrigation of 121.0 acres
Maximum Rate:	Not to exceed a maximum cumulative total of 1.81 cubic feet per second (cfs), being 1.50 cfs for primary irrigation and 1.51 cfs for supplemental irrigation

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-15677 was issued by the Department on August 6, 2004. The permit called for complete application of water to beneficial use by October 1, 2008. On February 1, 2016, Bear Creek Ranch, LLC submitted an Application for Extension of Time for Permit G-15677. In accordance with OAR 690-315-0050(2), on May 17, 2016, the Department issued a Proposed Final Order proposing to extend the time to fully apply water to beneficial use to October 1, 2025. The protest period closed July 1, 2016, 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 May 17, 2016.

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:

CONDITION

1. **Checkpoint Condition**

The permit holder must submit a completed Progress Report Form to the Department by **October 1, 2021**. *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-14999, Permit G-15677, therefore, is approved subject to conditions contained herein. The deadline for applying water to full beneficial use within the terms and conditions of the permit is extended from October 1, 2008 to October 1, 2025.

DATED: July 8, 2016



Dwight French

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

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