



January 6, 1998

Mr. Dwight French
Water Resources Department
Commerce Building
158 12th Street NE
Salem, OR 97310-0210

RE: Exempt Reservoir Application P-81286

Dear Dwight:

I have reviewed the comments submitted by the applicant regarding the above exempt reservoir application. After reviewing this new information, I request that my original comments on this application be modified as follows:

1. Because the applicant has an existing water right to utilize surface flow from Ashland Creek during the irrigation season, I have no objection to the removal of the April 1 – Oct. 31 bypass flow requirement.
2. Since the POD involves a dam across Ashland Creek, ODFW believes that the original comments requiring the applicant to provide fish passage are still valid and requests that WRD include them in the final order.
3. Because game fish are present at the POD, ODFW believes that the original comments requiring the applicant to provide fish screening are still valid and requests that WRD include them in the final order.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jerry Vogt".

Jerry Vogt
Assistant District Fish Biologist

cc: Bruce Sund, WRD, Grants Pass
Larry Mentee, WRD, Medford
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