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REFERENCE: File # P-80839;

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## Notice of Exempt Reservoir (Pond)

This is to let you know that we have received your Notice of Exempt Reservoir and assigned it the number listed above. Please refer to this number if you need to contact us about the notice. As required by law, your Notice of Exempt Reservoir filing will appear in our weekly public notice within 90 days from the time it was filed.

We have determined that your reservoir appears to meet the general criteria for exemption from the requirement to obtain a permit. However, we feel it is important to tell you that the Department must accept comments until August 1, 1997 on whether the reservoir poses a threat to fishery resources or existing water right holders. After the August 1, 1997 deadline, the Department has 180 days to assess comments. Any such comments will be reviewed and you will be notified only if any action on your part is necessary.

If no comments are received or the Department's assessment shows your pond does not cause injury, your pond will be considered exempt. You are advised that this exemption is limited to the amount of water that had been stored prior to January 1, 1995. Any increase in the storage or use of the stored water after that date must be authorized under a permit issued by this Department.

If you have any questions, please write to use at the address below, or call the Water Rights Information Group at (503)378-8455 or toll free in Oregon, 1-800-624-3199.

Sincerely,

Anita McLoud

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cc: Watermaster District



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