

### **Water Resources Department**

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Director
In Care of Anna Pakenham-Stevenson
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
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Reference: Instream water right in the Hood Basin, File IS 88332, IS 88333 and IS 88336.

Dear Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife:

# THIS IS THE INITIAL REVIEW AND <u>IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE</u> AT THE NEXT PHASE OF PROCESSING

This letter is to inform you of the preliminary analysis of the water right application. This document, called an "Initial Review", is to inform you of the potential limitations to the proposed instream water rights and to describe some options. Based on the information you provided, the Oregon Water Resources Department (OWRD) has made the following initial determinations:

#### **Initial Determinations:**

- 1. The referenced applications are complete and not defective.
- 2. The proposed use is not prohibited, restricted or limited by law.
- 3. Water is available from the proposed source during the times and in the amounts requested.
- 4. The reaches proposed in this application for instream water rights are in the Hood Basin.
- 5. Per the Hood Basin Program (OAR 690-504-0000(1)), fish life and wildlife are classified as Public Uses as defined in ORS 537.332(5)(b) and OAR 690-077-0010(27)(b).
- 6. All amounts of water are in cubic feet per second.
- 7. For these applications the estimated monthly average natural flow exceeds the amount that the applicant requested.

#### **Summary of determination:**

The water applied for has been determined allocable in the amounts requested for the purpose identified in each application.

# 1. Application IS-88332

# Description:

• Clear Branch, tributary to Middle Fork Hood River, beginning at the Clear Branch/Laurance Lake Dam at river mile 1.2 (NWNE, S27, T1S, R9E, WM) in Hood River County (45.459041, -121.657874) and continuing downstream to river mile 0.0 (NESW, S23, T1S, R9E, WM) in Hood River County (45.465527, -121.638111).

Priority date: 05/01/2017

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Requested for Fish life and fish habitat

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
44	39	42	50	50	50	30	21	18	21	34	35

Estimated average natural flow

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
-	97	92	75	89	124	113	82	55	51	53	78	92

Allowable water use

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
44	39	42	50	50	50	30	21	18	21	34	35

# 2. Application IS-88333

#### Description:

• Coe Branch, tributary to Clear Branch, beginning at river mile 3.5 (NWSE, S4, T2S, R9E, WM) in Hood River County (45.422902, -121.67566) and continuing downstream river mile 0.0 (SWSW, S23, T1S, R9E, WM) in Hood River County (45.46307, -121.645767).

Requested for Fish life and fish habitat

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Estimated average natural flow

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Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
39	35	31	44	71	68	48	30	26	26	38	40

Allowable water use

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
14	14	20	20	20	14	14	20	20	20	14	14

#### 3. Application IS-88336

# Description:

• Eliot Branch, tributary to Clear Branch, beginning at river mile 4.5 (NESW, S10, T2S, R9E, WM) in Hood River County (45.408363, -121.657366) and continuing downstream to river mile 0.0 (NESW, S23, T1S, R9E, WM) in Hood River County (45.465527, -121.63811).

Requested for Fish life and fish habitat

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# APPLICATION FACT SHEET

Application File Number: IS 88332, IS 88333 and IS 88336

Applicant: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

County: Sandy

Watermaster: Bob Wood, District 3

Priority Date: May 1, 2017

Source: 1) Clear Branch, tributary to Middle Fork Hood River, Coe Branch, tributary to Clear Branch, Eliot Branch,

tributary to Clear Branch.

Uses: Fish life and wildlife

Water Quantity:

IS 88332: (All amounts of water are in cubic feet per second)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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IS 88333: (All amounts of water are in cubic feet per second)

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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IS 88336: (All amounts of water are in cubic feet per second)

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Basin Name & Number: Hood Basin #4

Stream Index Reference: OWRD Streamcode 04174001500010260 - Clear Br, 04174001500010230 - Eliot Br,

04174001500010250 - Coe Br.

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE: July 11, 2017

30 DAY COMMENT DEADLINE DATE: August 10, 2017

Estimated average natural flow

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
18	16	15	22	40	39	27	16	14	14	19	19

Allowable water use

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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The applications may move to the next phase of the water rights application review process. Comments received within the comment period will be evaluated at the next phase of the process.

# To Proceed with Your Application:

If you choose to proceed with an application, you do not have to notify the Department. Your 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:

If you choose not to proceed, you may withdraw your application. To accomplish this you must notify the Department in writing by July 25, 2017.

# If you have any question:

Feel free to call Craig Kohanek at (503) 986-0823 if you have questions. Please have the application number(s) available if you call.