

## Groundwater Application Review Summary Form

Application # G- 18358

GW Reviewer J. Woody Date Review Completed: 1-3-2018

### Summary of GW Availability and Injury Review:

Groundwater for the proposed use is either over appropriated, will not likely be available in the amounts requested without injury to prior water rights, OR will not likely be available within the capacity of the groundwater resource per Section B of the attached review form.

### Summary of Potential for Substantial Interference Review:

There is the potential for substantial interference per Section C of the attached review form.

### Summary of Well Construction Assessment:

The well does not appear to meet current well construction standards per Section D of the attached review form. Route through Well Construction and Compliance Section.

*This is only a summary. Documentation is attached and should be read thoroughly to understand the basis for determinations and for conditions that may be necessary for a permit (if one is issued).*







**PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW FOR GROUNDWATER APPLICATIONS**

TO: Water Rights Section Date 1/3/2018  
 FROM: Groundwater Section Jen Woody  
Reviewer's Name  
 SUBJECT: Application G- 18558 Supersedes review of n/a  
Date of Review(s)

**PUBLIC INTEREST PRESUMPTION; GROUNDWATER**

**OAR 690-310-130 (1)** *The Department shall presume that a proposed groundwater use will ensure the preservation of the public welfare, safety and health as described in ORS 537.525. Department staff review groundwater applications under OAR 690-310-140 to determine whether the presumption is established. OAR 690-310-140 allows the proposed use be modified or conditioned to meet the presumption criteria. This review is based upon available information and agency policies in place at the time of evaluation.*

**A. GENERAL INFORMATION:** Applicant's Name: X Novo, LLC c/o Craig Williams County: Yamhill

A1. Applicant(s) seek(s) 0.12 cfs from 1 well(s) in the Willamette Basin,  
Middle Willamette (Coast Range) subbasin

A2. Proposed use Vineyard Drip Irrigation Seasonality: March 1- October 31

A3. Well and aquifer data (**attach and number logs for existing wells; mark proposed wells as such under logid**):

Well	Logid	Applicant's Well #	Proposed Aquifer*	Proposed Rate(cfs)	Location (T/R-S QQ-Q)	Location, metes and bounds, e.g. 2250' N, 1200' E fr NW cor S 36
1	Proposed	1	CRBG	0.12	T3S/R3W-22 SW ¼ SW ¼	1275' N, 1255' E fr SW cor S 22
2						
3						
4						
5						

\* Alluvium, CRB, Bedrock

Well	Well Elev ft msl	First Water ft bls	SWL ft bls	SWL Date	Well Depth (ft)	Seal Interval (ft)	Casing Intervals (ft)	Liner Intervals (ft)	Perforations Or Screens (ft)	Well Yield (gpm)	Draw Down (ft)	Test Type
1	820				550	0-300	0-300					

Use data from application for proposed wells.

A4. **Comments:** The Columbia River Basalt Group (CRBG) may be less than 550 feet thick at this location. See comments in Section B3.

A5.  **Provisions of the** Willamette Basin rules relative to the development, classification and/or management of groundwater hydraulically connected to surface water  **are,** or  **are not,** activated by this application. (Not all basin rules contain such provisions.)

Comments: 690-502-0240 classifies use from unconfined alluvial aquifers. This application proposes use from a confined aquifer in the Columbia River Basalt Group (CRBG), so this rule is not activated.

A6.  **Well(s) #** \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, tap(s) an aquifer limited by an administrative restriction.

Name of administrative area: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: N/A

**B. GROUNDWATER AVAILABILITY CONSIDERATIONS, OAR 690-310-130, 400-010, 410-0070**

B1. **Based upon available data**, I have determined that groundwater\* for the proposed use:

- a.  is over appropriated,  is not over appropriated, or  cannot be determined to be over appropriated during any period of the proposed use. \* This finding is limited to the groundwater portion of the over-appropriation determination as prescribed in OAR 690-310-130;
- b.  will not or  will likely be available in the amounts requested without injury to prior water rights. \* This finding is limited to the groundwater portion of the injury determination as prescribed in OAR 690-310-130;
- c.  will not or  will likely to be available within the capacity of the groundwater resource; or
- d.  will, if properly conditioned, avoid injury to existing groundwater rights or to the groundwater resource:
  - i.  The permit should contain condition #(s) 7i, 7t, Large Water Use Reporting Condition ;
  - ii.  The permit should be conditioned as indicated in item 2 below.
  - iii.  The permit should contain special condition(s) as indicated in item 3 below;

- B2. a.  **Condition** to allow groundwater production from no deeper than \_\_\_\_\_ ft. below land surface;
- b.  **Condition** to allow groundwater production from no shallower than \_\_\_\_\_ ft. below land surface;
- c.  **Condition** to allow groundwater production only from the a single aquifer in the Columbia River Basalt Group groundwater reservoir between approximately \_\_\_\_\_ ft. and \_\_\_\_\_ ft. below land surface;
- d.  **Well reconstruction** is necessary to accomplish one or more of the above conditions. The problems that are likely to occur with this use and without reconstructing are cited below. Without reconstruction, I recommend withholding issuance of the permit until evidence of well reconstruction is filed with the Department and approved by the Groundwater Section.

**Describe injury** –as related to water availability– that is likely to occur without well reconstruction (interference w/ senior water rights, not within the capacity of the resource, etc): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

B3. **Groundwater availability remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

The applicant’s well will produce from one or more water-bearing zones in the Grande Ronde Basalt Formation of the Columbia River Basalt Group (CRBG), a series of lava flows with a composite thickness that ranges from 300 to 400 feet in this area (Conlon et al., 2005). Each basalt flow is characterized by a series of internal features, including a thin rubble zone at the contact between flows and a thick, dense, low porosity and low permeability interior zone. In some cases, sedimentary layers were deposited during the time between basalt flow emplacements. A flow top, sedimentary interbed and flow bottom are collectively referred to as an interflow zone. Unconfined groundwater occurs near the weathered top of the basalts, but most water occurs in interflow zones at the contacts between lava flows. CRBG flow features result in a series of stacked, thin aquifers that are confined by dense flow interiors. The low permeability of the basalt flow interiors usually results in little connection between stacked aquifers, which generally results in tabular aquifers with unique water level heads. These tabular aquifers typically have high transmissivity and low storativity, making them vulnerable to long-term declines (Reidel et al., 2002).

The Columbia River Basalt Group (CRBG) pinches out less than a mile north of the proposed location. A 550 foot deep well at this location may access the Marine Sedimentary Rocks under the CRBG. In the event a permit is issued, this well will be required to develop a single aquifer within the CRBG, and therefore may need to be completed to less than 550 feet total depth.

Constructing a well that is open to multiple water-bearing zones with distinct water level heads commingles multiple aquifers. When the pump is off, water migrates through the well bore from an aquifer of higher pressure to an aquifer of



lower pressure. Over time, this can depressurize the aquifer and exacerbates water level decline. Well construction conditions are specified to protect the resource and other existing users.

Water level data (see Figure 3) show basalt wells within one mile of the proposed well have relatively stable levels at the current use. The requested rate (0.12 cfs) and total annual volume (0.45 acre-feet/year, 10 gallons per grape vine) are relatively low. This magnitude of development is not expected to cause injurious well-to-well interference with neighbors or long-term water level decline.

**C. GROUNDWATER/SURFACE WATER CONSIDERATIONS, OAR 690-09-040**

C1. **690-09-040 (1):** Evaluation of aquifer confinement:

Well	Aquifer or Proposed Aquifer	Confined	Unconfined
1	Columbia River Basalt Group	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Basis for aquifer confinement evaluation:** Nearby well logs in the CRBG show static water levels that rise above the reported water-bearing zone, indicating a confined aquifer.

C2. **690-09-040 (2) (3):** Evaluation of distance to, and hydraulic connection with, surface water sources. All wells located a horizontal distance less than ¼ mile from a surface water source that produce water from an unconfined aquifer shall be assumed to be hydraulically connected to the surface water source. Include in this table any streams located beyond one mile that are evaluated for PSI.

Well	SW #	Surface Water Name	GW Elev ft msl	SW Elev ft msl	Distance (ft)	Hydraulically Connected?			Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?	
						YES	NO	ASSUMED	YES	NO
1	1	Harvey Creek	520	520	1740	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Basis for aquifer hydraulic connection evaluation:** Nearby creeks have incised through hundreds of feet of basalt. The POA is proposed with a seal from 0-300 feet below land surface. Therefore, the potential for hydraulic connection is examined at the elevation of the top of that open interval. The open interval is coincident with or above perennial reaches of Harvey Creek within one mile, indicating hydraulic connection. Groundwater from the uplands likely discharges to surface water, providing baseflow or spring flow to sustain nearby perennial reaches of the creeks.

**Water Availability Basin the well(s) are located within:** Watershed ID #: 182 WILLAMETTE R > COLUMBIA R - AB MOLALLA R

C3a. **690-09-040 (4):** Evaluation of stream impacts for each well that has been determined or assumed to be hydraulically connected and less than 1 mile from a surface water source. Limit evaluation to instream rights and minimum stream flows that are pertinent to that surface water source, and not lower SW sources to which the stream under evaluation is tributary. Compare the requested rate against the 1% of 80% natural flow for the pertinent Water Availability Basin (WAB). If Q is not

distributed by well, use full rate for each well. Any checked  box indicates the well is assumed to have the potential to cause PSI.

Well	SW #	Well < ¼ mile?	Qw > 5 cfs?	Instream Water Right ID	Instream Water Right Q (cfs)	Qw > 1% ISWR?	80% Natural Flow (cfs)	Qw > 1% of 80% Natural Flow?	Interference @ 30 days (%)	Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?
1	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	n/a	n/a	<input type="checkbox"/>	3830	<input type="checkbox"/>	*	<input type="checkbox"/>

C3b. **690-09-040 (4):** Evaluation of stream impacts by total appropriation for all wells determined or assumed to be **hydraulically connected and less than 1 mile** from a surface water source. **Complete only if Q is distributed among wells.** Otherwise same evaluation and limitations apply as in C3a above.

SW #	Qw > 5 cfs?	Instream Water Right ID	Instream Water Right Q (cfs)	Qw > 1% ISWR?	80% Natural Flow (cfs)	Qw > 1% of 80% Natural Flow?	Interference @ 30 days (%)	Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?
	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

**Comments:** \* Interference at 30 days could not be estimated because the terrain (high-relief slopes) and geology (tabular basalt aquifer) do not meet model assumptions of the widely accepted technique for determining stream depletion (i.e. Hunt 1999, 2003).

C4a. **690-09-040 (5):** Estimated impacts on **hydraulically connected surface water sources greater than one mile** as a percentage of the proposed pumping rate. Limit evaluation to the effects that will occur up to one year after pumping begins. This table encompasses the considerations required by 09-040 (5)(a), (b), (c) and (d), which are not included on this form. Use additional sheets if calculated flows from more than one WAB are required.

Non-Distributed Wells													
Well	SW#	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
	Well Q as CFS												
	Interference CFS												
Distributed Wells													
Well	SW#	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
	Well Q as CFS												
	Interference CFS												
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
	Well Q as CFS												
	Interference CFS												
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	Interference CFS												
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	Well Q as CFS												
	Interference CFS												





**D. WELL CONSTRUCTION, OAR 690-200**

D1. Well #: \_\_\_\_\_ Logid: \_\_\_\_\_

D2. **THE WELL does not appear to meet current well construction standards based upon:**

- a.  review of the well log;
- b.  field inspection by \_\_\_\_\_;
- c.  report of CWRE \_\_\_\_\_;
- d.  other: (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

D3. **THE WELL construction deficiency or other comment is described as follows:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

D4.  **Route to the Well Construction and Compliance Section for a review of existing well construction.**



Figure 1. Water Availability Tables

## Water Availability Analysis Detailed Reports

### WILLAMETTE R > COLUMBIA R - AB MOLALLA R WILLAMETTE BASIN

Water Availability as of 1/2/2018

Watershed ID #: 182 ([Map](#))

Exceedance Level:80%

Date: 1/2/2018

Time: 2:17 PM

## Water Availability Calculation

Monthly Streamflow in Cubic Feet per Second  
Annual Volume at 50% Exceedance in Acre-Feet

Month	Natural Stream Flow	Consumptive Uses and Storages	Expected Stream Flow	Reserved Stream Flow	Instream Flow Requirement	Net Water Available
JAN	21,400.00	2,290.00	19,100.00	0.00	1,500.00	17,600.00
FEB	23,200.00	7,470.00	15,700.00	0.00	1,500.00	14,200.00
MAR	22,400.00	7,250.00	15,100.00	0.00	1,500.00	13,600.00
APR	19,900.00	6,910.00	13,000.00	0.00	1,500.00	11,500.00
MAY	16,600.00	4,230.00	12,400.00	0.00	1,500.00	10,900.00
JUN	8,740.00	1,970.00	6,770.00	0.00	1,500.00	5,270.00
JUL	4,980.00	1,800.00	3,180.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,680.00
AUG	3,830.00	1,640.00	2,190.00	0.00	1,500.00	686.00
SEP	3,890.00	1,390.00	2,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	998.00
OCT	4,850.00	747.00	4,100.00	0.00	1,500.00	2,600.00
NOV	10,200.00	880.00	9,320.00	0.00	1,500.00	7,820.00
DEC	19,300.00	963.00	18,300.00	0.00	1,500.00	16,800.00
ANN	15,200,000.00	2,250,000.00	13,000,000.00	0.00	1,090,000.00	11,900,000.00



Figure 2. Well Location Map

### G-18558 X Novo, LLC T3S/R3W-Section 22

#### Legend

##### Radius in Feet

-  1320
-  5280

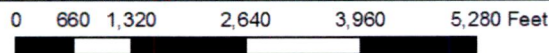
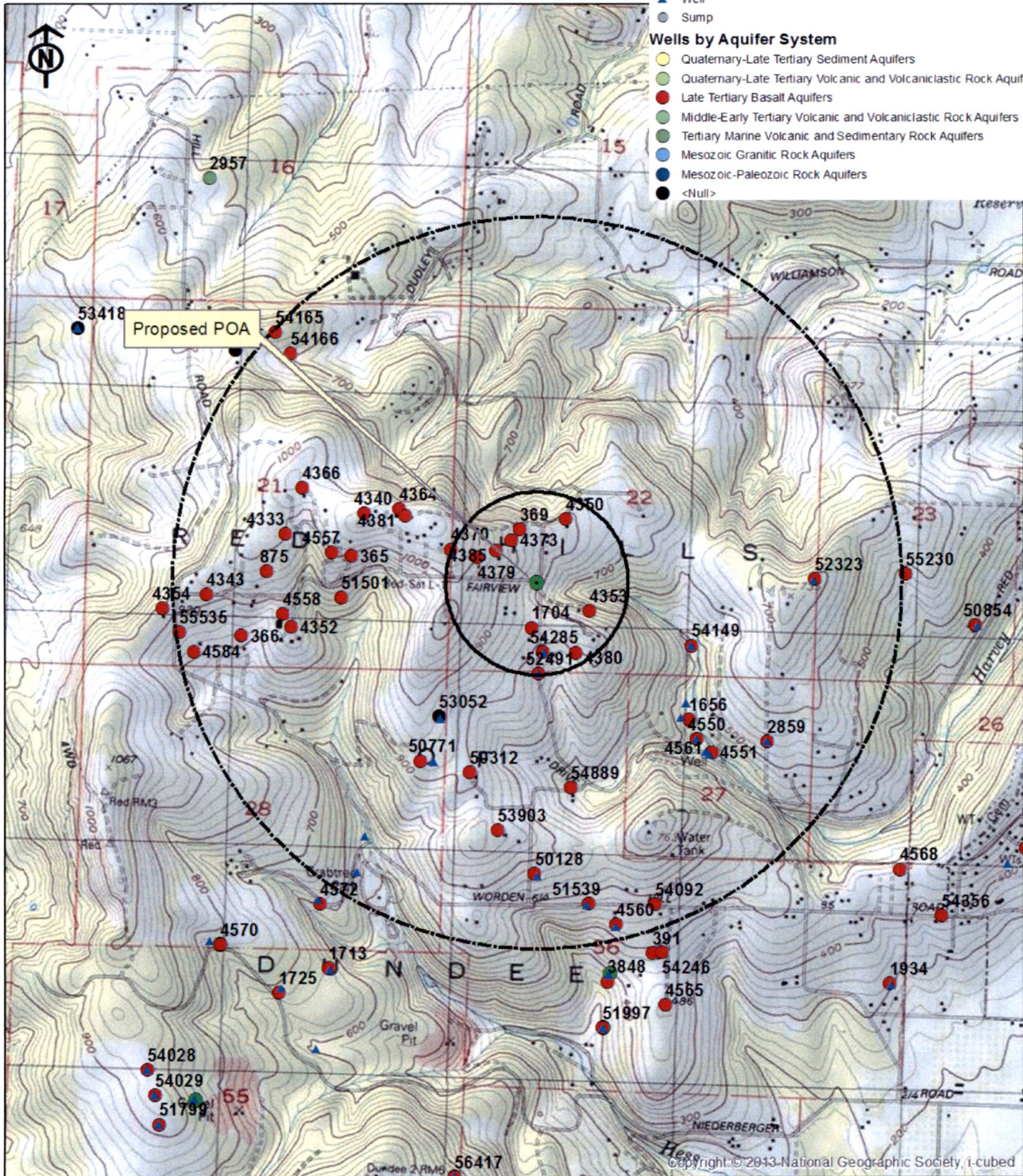
##### Permitted Wells & Sumps

###### source\_type

-  Well
-  Sump

##### Wells by Aquifer System

-  Quaternary-Late Tertiary Sediment Aquifers
-  Quaternary-Late Tertiary Volcanic and Volcaniclastic Rock Aquifers
-  Late Tertiary Basalt Aquifers
-  Middle-Early Tertiary Volcanic and Volcaniclastic Rock Aquifers
-  Tertiary Marine Volcanic and Sedimentary Rock Aquifers
-  Mesozoic Granitic Rock Aquifers
-  Mesozoic-Paleozoic Rock Aquifers
-  <Null>



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**Figure 3. Water-Level Trends in Nearby Wells.** Static water levels in nearby basalt wells are relatively stable over the period of record. YAMH 51539 shows an anomalously shallow water level in 1999, but the data quality of this point is unknown because it was reported by a pump installer. Since no other nearby basalt wells show similar trends, this review finds that the resource is reasonably stable at the proposed site.

