

Water Resources Department

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Water Right Application Initial Review

January 26, 2018

GERALD FRENCH 741 LONE ROCK RD GLIDE OR 97443

Reference: S-88483

Application S-88483 proposes the diversion of 0.01 cubic foot per second (CFS) of water from North Umpqua River, tributary to Umpqua River for domestic expanded from January 1 through December 31.

Summary

Surface water is available for the full period requested.

Because of the favorable determinations described herein, Application S-88483 can move to the next phase of the water-rights application review process, which includes a public interest review. This initial review does not address various public interest issues such as sensitive, threatened, or endangered fish species. These issues will be addressed as the Department reviews comments from the public and other agencies, and prepares a Proposed Final Order. If significant public interest issues are identified, they could have an impact on the eventual outcome of the application.

At this time, you must decide whether to proceed or to withdraw the application.

Proceed

If you choose to proceed with the application you do not have to notify the Department. The application will 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.

Withdraw

You may withdraw the application and receive a refund (minus a \$260 processing charge per application). You must notify the Department in writing by **Friday**, **February 2**, **2018**. For your convenience you may use the enclosed "STOP PROCESSING" form.

Initial Review Preliminary Determinations (OAR 690-310-0080)

- 1. The application proposed the diversion of 0.010 cubic foot per second CFS of water from North Umpqua River, tributary to Umpqua River for domestic expanded from January 1 through December 31.
- 2. The proposed use is not prohibited by law or rule except where otherwise noted below.
- 3. The diversion of water from North Umpqua River, tributary to Umpqua River, for domestic expanded is authorized under the Umpqua Basin Program (690-516).
- 4. An assessment of water availability has been completed, a copy of which is in the file. This assessment compared a calculation of natural streamflow minus the consumptive portion of all relevant rights of record. The assessment determined water is not available for further appropriation (at 80 percent exceedance probability) because water has been fully appropriated by senior water rights. However, pursuant to a settlement agreement entered into by the Oregon Water Resources Department, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, and Douglas County, seven (7) cubic feet per second (CFS) of additional water is available for human consumption, domestic, domestic expanded, industrial, commercial, irrigation, and agricultural use. As of the date of this application, 1.35 CFS of the total 4.0 CFS for human consumption, domestic, or domestic use expanded has been appropriated. Therefore, surface water is available in the amount and for the full period requested. Surface water is available year-round.
- 5. The proposed use is not located within or above any state or federal scenic waterway.
- 6. Documentation has been submitted from the relevant land-use planning jurisdiction that indicates the proposed use is allowed outright. ORS 537.621(3)(b); OAR 690-310-0150(2)(b)

If a Permit is Issued it will Likely Include the Following Conditions:

- 1. Construction of the water system shall begin within five years of the date of permit issuance. The deadline to begin construction may not be extended. A permit is subject to cancellation proceedings if the begin construction deadline is missed.
- 2. You may be required to install, maintain, and operating fish screening and/or by-pass devices consistent with current ODFW standards. Fish screening is to prevent fish from entering the proposed diversion, while by-pass devices provide adequate upstream and downstream passage for fish. The required screen and by-pass shall be in place and functional, and approved in writing by ODFW prior to diversion of water. The water user may submit evidence in writing that ODFW has determined screens and/or by-pass devices are not necessary. A permit is subject to cancellation proceeding if water use begins before installation of fish screening and or by-pass devices.
- 3. Measurement Devices and Recording/Reporting of Annual Water Storage Conditions:

- A. Before water use may begin under this permit, the permittee shall install a compliant in-line flow restrictor at each point of diversion. The permittee shall maintain the device in good working order.
- B. The permittee shall allow the watermaster access to the device; provided however, where any device is located within a private structure, the watermaster shall request access upon reasonable notice.
- C. The Director may require the permittee to keep and maintain a record of the volume of water diverted, and may require the permittee to report water-use on a periodic schedule as established by the Director. In addition, the Director may require the permittee to report general water-use information, the periods of water use and the place and nature of use of water under the permit.
- D. The Director may provide an opportunity for the permittee to submit alternative measuring and reporting procedures for review and approval.

If you have any questions:

Feel free to contact me at scott.a.grew@oregon.gov or 503-986-0899 if you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter or the application. Please include the application number in all correspondence. General questions about water rights and water use permits should be directed to our customer service staff at 503-986-0801. When corresponding by mail, please use this address: Scott Grew, Oregon Water Resources Department, 725 Summer St NE Ste A, Salem OR 97301-1266. Our fax number is 503-986-0901.

Sincerely,

Scott Grew

Water Right Application Specialist Oregon Water Resources Department

Enclosures:

Application Process Description and Stop Processing Request Form

S-88483 WAB: 71173

APPLICATION FACT SHEET

Application File Number: S-88483

Applicant: GERALD FRENCH

County: DOUGLAS

Watermaster: SUSAN DOUTHIT, 15, SWR

Priority Date: DECEMBER 15, 2017

Source: NORTH UMPQUA RIVER, TRIBUTARY TO UMPQUA RIVER

Purpose: DOMESTIC EXPANDED FROM JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31.

Quantity: 0.01 CFS

Basin Name & Number: UMPQUA, #16

WAB: N UMPQUA R > UMPQUA R - AB LITTLE R

Points of Diversions:

POD	Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
1	26 S	3 W	WM	16	NW NW	800 FEET SOUTH AND 840 FEET EAST FROM NW CORNER, SECTION 16

Place of Use

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q
26 S	3 W	WM	16	NE NW
26 S	3 W	WM	16	NW NW
26 S	3 W	WM	16	SE NW

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE: Tuesday, January 30, 2018

14 DAY STOP PROCESSING DEADLINE DATE: Friday, February 9, 2018

30 DAY COMMENT DEADLINE DATE: Thursday, March 1, 2018

APPLICATION PROCESS DESCRIPTION FOR GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER AND REGULAR RESERVOIR APPLICATIONS

In order to use the waters of Oregon, an application must be submitted and a permit obtained from the Water Resources Department. The water must be used for beneficial purpose without waste. For more information about water right topics, weekly public notice, forms and fees please visit our web site at **www.wrd.state.or.us**

1. Pre-application considerations

- Follow instructions in the application packet.
- If you have questions about completing an application or would like to arrange a preapplication conference contact the Department's Water Rights Customer Service Group at (503) 986-0801.

2. Application filing

- Application with fee is received by the Department.
- Department determines completeness of application.
- If <u>use</u> is not allowed by statute (ORS 538), the application and fees are returned to the applicant.
- An <u>incomplete</u> application and fees are returned to the applicant.
- Only a complete application receives a tentative priority date, is assigned a caseworker, and moves forward for processing.

3. Initial Review (IR)

- Caseworker reviews application by considering basin plans, water availability, statutory restrictions, and all other appropriate factors.
- Caseworker sends IR report to Applicant.
- Contact the Caseworker if you have questions about the IR.
- Four days after date of the IR, it is included in Department's weekly Public Notice.
- Public comments must be submitted within 30 days after the Public Notice.
- An administrative hold may be requested in writing by Applicant.

4. Proposed Final Order (PFO)

- Caseworker evaluates application against required criteria and develops draft permit, if appropriate.
- PFO includes instructions for filing of protests.
- Caseworker considers public comments and mails PFO to Applicant.
- The PFO is included in Department's weekly Public Notice.
- Public protests to the PFO must be submitted within 45 days after the Public Notice.

5. Final Order (FO)

• If no protest is filed, Final Order is issued.

The protest process

If one or more protests are filed, the process consists of:

- settlement discussion;
- contested case hearing;
- proposed Order;
- period of time to file exceptions; or
- Possible hearing by Water Resources Commission.
- Final Order is issued.

Permit holder responsibilities

- Comply with all water use conditions of the permit.
- Advise Department of address change or assignment to new permit holder.
- If need arises, request extension of time or authorize cancellation of permit.
- Submit timely claim of beneficial use (COBU) to the Department.
- Most permits require COBU to be prepared by a Certified Water Right Examiner.
- Permits may be canceled by the permit holder or by the Department for failure to comply

STOP PROCESSING REQUEST FORM

FOR GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER AND REGULAR RESERVOIR APPLICATIONS

- Stop processing deadline is within 14 days of Initial Review.
- Applicant may request no further action and fee refund of all but \$260.
- Applicant notification to withdraw Water Right Application S-88483.
- After reviewing the Initial Review for my application, I request that processing be stopped and the fees be refunded (minus a \$260 examination fee.) I understand that without a valid permit I may not legally use the water as requested in my application.

•	Signature	Date
	Signature	Date
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- Under ORS 537.150 (5) and 537.620 (5) timely submission of this request authorizes that the water right application process be stopped and all filing fees (except \$260 examination fee) be returned.
- This notice must be received at Water Resources Department by: Friday, February 2, 2018
- Return the notice to:

OWRD, Water Right Services Division STOP PROCESSING 725 Summer Street, NE - Suite A, Salem OR, 97301-1271