# BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Water Rights Application	)	SUPERSEDING FINAL ORDER
R-88462 in the name of MICHAEL	)	APPROVING THE STORAGE OF
JOHNSON		SURFACE WATER

## Authority

Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 537.409 establishes the process by which an application to store waters of the public may be submitted.

## Findings of Fact

1. On September 29, 2017, MICHAEL JOHNSON submitted an application for a permit to store water pursuant to ORS 537.409.

Storage Volume: 8.92 ACRE-FEET Dam Height: LESS THAN 10 FEET

Source: RUNOFF, TRIBUTARY TO UNNAMED STREAM

Location: POLK COUNTY IN SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, W.M.

- 2. The required examination fees were paid and minimum application requirements were met.
- 3. The Department provided public notice of the application in the Department's weekly public notice on October 10, 2017. A 60-day comment period followed.
- 4. The Department has not received public comment related to the possible issuance of the attached permit.

#### APPEAL RIGHTS

Appeal to a circuit court: This is a final order in other than a contested case. Any party affected by a final order in other than a contested case issued by the Water Resources Commission or Water Resources Department may appeal the order to the appropriate circuit court (ORS 536.075). A petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60-day time period specified by ORS 183.484 (2).

Petition to the Department for Reconsideration of the Final Order: A person entitled to judicial review of this order may also file a petition for the Department's reconsideration of the order. The petition for reconsideration must be filed with the Department within 60 calendar days after the date of the order. A copy of the petition must also be delivered or mailed to all other persons and agencies requiring notification under statute or rule (OAR 137-004-0080). The petition must set forth the specific grounds for reconsideration, and may be supported by a written argument. The petition may include a request for a stay of the order if the petition complies with the requirements of OAR 137-003-0090 (2). The Department may grant or deny the petition by summary order. If the Department takes no action, the petition is deemed denied as provided by ORS 183.484 (2). A final order remains in effect during reconsideration until stayed or changed. Following reconsideration, the agency must enter a new order, which may be an order affirming the existing order (OAR 137-004-0080). Reconsideration cannot be granted after the filing of a petition for judicial review, unless permitted by the court (OAR 137-004-0080 (6)).

ORS 537.409 does not provide an opportunity to request a contested-case hearing. Appeal rights on this final order approving the application are limited to the above procedures.

- 5. The Department has determined that the proposed source has not been withdrawn from further appropriation.
- 6. The proposed reservoir is not prohibited under ORS 390.835.
- 7. Water is available for the proposed use according to the Department's water-availability model and the watermaster's assessment.
- 8. The Department relies on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's review and recommendations in determining whether a proposed use would pose a significant detrimental impact to existing fishery resources. The Department has determined that, as conditioned, the proposed use will not pose a significant detrimental impact to existing fishery resources.
- 9. On February 5, 2018, the Department issued a Final Order approving Application R-88462 and Permit R-15294. Subsequently the Department discovered the Permit R-15294 erroneously described the time in which water may be appropriated for storage shall be November 1 through April 30 of each year.

#### Conclusions of Law

- 1. Water is available for the proposed use.
- 2. The proposed use will not injure existing water rights.
- 3. The proposed use will not pose a significant detrimental impact to existing fishery resources.
- 4. Application R-88462 is consistent with the requirements of ORS 537.409.

### Now Therefore, it is Ordered:

This Final Order and permit supersede the February 2, 2018 Final Order and Permit R-15294 for application R-88462, which are of no further force or effect.

Application R-88462 is approved pursuant to ORS 537.147, and Permit R-15321 is issued as limited by the conditions contained therein.

Dwight French, Water Right Services Division Administrator

for Thomas M. Byler, Director

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