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RE: Final Award and Assignment of Mitigation Credits – MP 222

On November 28, 2018 pursuant to OAR Chapter 690, Division 521, the Department awarded 5100.0 mitigation credits to Mitigation Project MP 222. As identified in Water Right Certificate 94149, these mitigation credits may be used to satisfy the mitigation obligation of a groundwater use found to impact surface water flows in the General and/or Crooked River Zones of Impact pursuant to the Deschutes Basin Ground Water Mitigation rules. The Department understands that water use and mitigation accounting for MP 222 will be reported and managed on a water year schedule (i.e., October 1 through September 30).

These mitigation credits have been assigned to the City of Prineville. Only the City of Prineville may hold these credits or use them to satisfy a ground water mitigation obligation for the City of Prineville. The mitigation credits are valid until used to fulfill the mitigation obligation of a ground water permit application(s) and/or an existing ground water right(s) within the Deschutes Ground Water Study Area. A ground water user wanting to demonstrate that mitigation credits are being used to satisfy a mitigation obligation must submit documentary evidence to the Department showing that mitigation credits have been obtained and assigned to the subject ground water right.

The Department has a Documentary Evidence form, copy enclosed, available for use by the City of Prineville, to assign the credits to a ground water permit application(s) and/or an existing ground water right(s) if needed. The Department's Documentary Evidence form contains pertinent information needed by the Department to evaluate the use and validity of the mitigation credits. An electronic version of the Documentary Evidence form is also available upon request.

Once the mitigation credits are assigned to a ground water permit application(s) and/or an existing ground water right(s), the City of Prineville must submit the Documentary Evidence form indicating that valid mitigation credits have been obtained to satisfy their mitigation obligation.

If you have any questions about mitigation credits, the enclosed form or any other issues, please give me a call at (503) 986-0884.

Sincerely,

Sarah Henderson

Flow Restoration Coordinator Transfer and Conservation Section

cc Jeremy Giffin, District 11 Watermaster Adam Sussman, GSI Files S-88402, MP-222