

Water Resources Department

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Water Right Application Initial Review

February 21, 2020

PINE GROVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT 6510 S 6TH STREET PMB 95 KLAMATH FALLS OR 97603

Reference: Application G-18833

This document is to inform you of the preliminary analysis of the water-use permit application and to describe your options. In determining whether an application may be approved, the Department must consider the factors listed below, all of which must be favorable to the proposed use if it is to be allowed. Based on the information supplied, the Water Resources Department has made the following preliminary determinations:

Preliminary Determinations under Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 690-310-0080:

- 1. Application G-18833 proposes the appropriation of 12.44 cubic feet per second (CFS) of water from PGID Well 1 (KLAM 53755/ L29466) in Lost River Basin for supplemental irrigation of 995.42 acres April 1 through October 31 of each year.
- 2. The proposed use is not prohibited by law or rule except where otherwise noted below.
- 3. Under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 536.340(1)(a), the Water Resources Commission may establish a basin program to classify sources of water supply as to the highest and best use and quantities of use, and that classification of sources of water supply has the effect of restricting the use and quantities of use thereof to the uses and quantities of uses specified in the classification. The Commission has not established a basin program for the Klamath River Basin. Therefore, neither the proposed use nor the quantity of water is restricted as a result of this consideration.
- 4. Groundwater is over-appropriated and will **not** likely be available within the capacity of the resource, and the proposed use of groundwater will cause injury to existing groundwater rights.
- 5. The Department has determined, based upon OAR 690-009, that the proposed groundwater use will not have the potential for substantial interference with any surface water source.
- 6. The proposed use is located above the Klamath Scenic Waterway, as designated under Oregon Revised Statute 390.826. The Department has determined, based upon OAR 690-310-0260, that there is a preponderance of evidence that the proposed use of groundwater will measurably reduce the surface water flows necessary to maintain the free-flowing character of a scenic waterway in quantities necessary for recreation, fish and wildlife.

- 7. The point of appropriation is not located within a critical, limited, or withdrawn groundwater area.
- 8. Documentation has been submitted from the relevant land-use planning jurisdiction that indicates the proposed use is allowed outright.

Summary of Preliminary Determinations

The appropriation of 12.44 CFS of water from PGID Well 1 (KLAM 53755/ L29466) in Lost River Basin for supplemental irrigation of 995.42 acres is not allowable.

Not all determinations herein are favorable; therefore it is unlikely that Application G-18833 will be approved.

Public Comment & Further Review:

Public interest issues and/or public comments will be addressed as the Department 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.

- <u>To Proceed</u> 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.
- <u>To Withdraw</u> You may withdraw the application and receive a refund (minus a \$260 examination fee per application). You must notify the Department **in writing** by **March 6, 2020**. For your convenience you may use the enclosed "STOP PROCESSING" form.

If a permit is issued, it will likely include the following conditions:

- 1. Construction of the well shall begin within five years of the date of permit issuance. The deadline to begin construction may not be extended. This permit is subject to cancellation proceedings if the construction deadline to begin is missed.
- 2. If the number, location, source, or construction of any well deviates from that proposed in the permit application or required by permit conditions, this permit <u>may not be valid, unless the Department</u> authorizes the change in writing.

3. Water Use Measurement, Recording, and Reporting Condition:

- A. Before water use may begin under this permit, the permittee shall install a totalizing flow meter at each point of appropriation. 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 permittee shall keep a complete record of the volume of water used each month, and shall submit an annual report which includes the recorded water-use measurements to the Department annually, or more frequently as may be required by the Director. Further, the Director may require the permittee to report general water-use information, including 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.

4. Scenic Water Way Condition:

Use of water under authority of this permit may be regulated if analysis of data available after the permit is issued discloses that the appropriation will measurably reduce the surface water flows necessary to maintain the free-flowing character of a scenic waterway in quantities necessary for recreation, fish and wildlife in effect as of the priority date of the right or as those quantities may be subsequently reduced.

5. Well Identification Tag Condition:

Prior to using water from any well listed on this permit, the permittee shall ensure that the well has been assigned an OWRD Well Identification Number (Well ID tag), which shall be permanently attached to the well. The Well ID shall be used as a reference in any correspondence regarding the well, including any reports of water use, water level, or pump test data.

The water source identified in the application may be affected by an Agricultural Water Quality Management Area Plan. These plans are developed by the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) with the cooperation of local landowners and other interested stakeholders, and help to ensure that current and new appropriations of water are done in a way that does not adversely harm the environment. You are encouraged to explore ODA's website at https://www.oregon.gov/ODA/programs/NaturalResources/AgWQ/Pages/AgWQPlans.aspx to learn more about the plans and how they may affect the proposed water use.

For Further Information:

Feel free to contact me at Elisabeth.A.Graham@oregon.gov or 503-986-0808 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 503-986-0900. When corresponding by mail, please use this address: Lisa Graham, Oregon Water Resources Department, 725 Summer St NE Ste A, Salem OR 97301-1266. Our fax number is 503-986-0901.

Sincerely,

Lisa Graham

Water Right Application Specialist Oregon Water Resources Department

Enclosures:

Application Process Description and Stop Processing Request Form

G-18833

WAB: No PSI

APPLICATION FACT SHEET

Application File Number: G-18833

Applicant: PINE GROVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

County: KLAMATH

Watermaster: DANETTE M. WATSON, 17, SCR

Priority Date: JUNE 5, 2019

Source: PGID WELL 1 (KLAM 53755/ L29466) IN LOST RIVER BASIN

Use: SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION OF 995.42 ACRES

Quantity: 12.44 CUBIC FEET PER SECOND

Basin Name & Number: KLAMATH, #14

Well Location:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
39 S	10 E	WM	8	NW SW	SOUTH 70 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 49 SECONDS
					EAST, 930.65 FEET FROM W1/4 CORNER, SECTION 8

Place of Use:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
39 S	10 E	WM	7	NE NE	11.40
39 S	10 E	WM	7	SE NE	14.60
39 S	10 E	WM	7	SW SE	4.90
39 S	10 E	WM	7	SE SE	21.05
39 S	10 E	WM	8	NE NW	21.40
39 S	10 E	WM	8	NW NW	6.41
39 S	10 E	WM	8	SW NW	26.87
39 S	10 E	WM	8	SE NW	28.98
39 S	10 E	WM	8	NE SW	20.66
39 S	10 E	WM	8	NW SW	36.70
39 S	10 E	WM	8	SW SW	40.00
39 S	10 E	WM	8	SE SW	39.30
39 S	10 E	WM	8	SW SE	6.38
39 S	10 E	WM	8	SE SE	4.10
39 S	10 E	WM	9	SW SW	8.20
39 S	10 E	WM	9	SE SW	17.80
39 S	10 E	WM	16	NW NE	2.80
39 S	10 E	WM	16	SW NE	29.40
39 S	10 E	WM	16	NE NW	24.24
39 S	10 E	WM	16	NW NW	35.30
39 S	10 E	WM	16	SWNW	35.90
39 S	10 E	WM	16	SE NW	38.30
39 S	10 E	WM	16	NE SW	26.70

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Acres
39 S	10 E	WM	16	NW SW	22.10
39 S	10 E	WM	16	NW SE	37.40
39 S	10 E	WM	16	SW SE	7.52
39 S	10 E	WM	16	SE SE	2.36
39 S	10 E	WM	17	NE NE	39.90
39 S	10 E	WM	17	NW NE	38.30
39 S	10 E	WM	17	SW NE	35.90
39 S	10 E	WM	17	SE NE	34.40
39 S	10 E	WM	17	NE NW	37.00
39 S	10 E	WM	17	NW NW	37.20
39 S	10 E	WM	17	SW NW	39.53
39 S	10 E	WM	17	SE NW	35.40
39 S	10 E	WM	17	NE SW	7.30
39 S	10 E	WM	17	NW SW	34.82
39 S	10 E	WM	17	SWSW	17.70
39 S	10 E	WM	17	NE SE	16.40
39 S	10 E	WM	17	NW SE	11.50
39 S	10 E	WM	18	NE NE	39.30

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE: February 25, 2020

14 DAY STOP PROCESSING DEADLINE DATE: March 6, 2020

30 DAY COMMENT DEADLINE DATE: March 26, 2020

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.oregon.gov/OWRD

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) 986-0900.

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 with or one or more permit conditions.

STOP PROCESSING REQUEST FORM

FOR GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER AND REGULAR RESERVOIR APPLICATIONS

• Stop processing deadline is within 14 days of Initial Review.					
Applicant notification to withdraw Water Right Application G-18833.					
After reviewing the Initial Review for my application, I request that processing be stopped and 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					
• 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 by the Water Resources Department no later than:					

March 6, 2020

• Return the notice to:

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

Mailing List for IR Copies

Application G-18833

IR Date: February 21, 2020

Original and map mailed to applicant:

PINE GROVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT 6510 S 6TH STREET PMB 95 KLAMATH FALLS OR 97603

Sent via auto email:

- 1. Applicant doug@umc-hvac.com
- 2. Agent Hollie Cannon: hcannon@waterrightsolutions.com
- 3. WRD Watermaster #17, Danette M. Watson
- 4. WRD Kyle Gorman SCR

Copies sent to:

- 1. WRD File G-18833
- 2. ALOs Attached Customer List (?)

Application Specialist: Lisa Graham

Copies Mailed

By: M

On: 221 1020