

#### Water Resources Department

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## Water Right Application Initial Review

November 13, 2020

HETTERVIG PROPERTIES LLC 1976 SE OCHOCO ST MILWAUKIE OR 97222

Reference: Application R-88876

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 (Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 690-310-0080)

- 1. The application proposes the storage of 4.0 acre-feet (AF) of groundwater water from a well (JEFF 325), to be appropriated under Application G-19026 in the Deschutes River Basin, being 0.1 AF in Reservoir 1, 0.4 AF in Reservoir 2, and 3.5 AF in Reservoir 3, for irrigation, wildlife and fire protection.
- 2. The proposed use is not prohibited by law or rule except where otherwise noted below.
- 3. Storage for irrigation, wildlife and fire protection is allowable under the Deschutes Basin Program (OAR 690-505-0400).
- 4. An assessment of groundwater availability is currently being completed under Application G-19026 by the Department's Groundwater Section, pursuant to OAR 690-009. A copy of this assessment will be added to this application file upon completion.
- 5. The proposed use is located above the Deschutes Scenic Waterway, as designated under Oregon Revised Statute 390.826.
- 6. Documentation has been submitted from the relevant land-use planning jurisdiction that indicates the proposed use is allowed outright.

#### **Summary of Preliminary Determinations**

The storage of 4.0 AF of groundwater from a well (JEFF 325), to be appropriated under Application G-19026 in the Deschutes River Basin, being 0.1 AF in Reservoir 1, 0.4 AF in Reservoir 2, and 3.5 AF in Reservoir 3, for irrigation, wildlife and fire protection <u>may</u> be allowable, contingent upon the submittal of documentary evidence for mitigation obtained under Application G-19026.

Because of the favorable determinations described herein, Application R-88876 can move to the next phase of the water-rights application review process, which includes a public interest review.

#### **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.

<u>Division 33 Review</u> – The Department's Division 33 administrative rules (OAR 690-033) establish additional procedures and standards to aid the Department in determining whether a proposed use will impair or be detrimental to the public interest with regard to sensitive, threatened, or endangered (STE) fish species. This Initial Review does not address the potential impact that your proposed use may have on these species.

Your application will now undergo an additional review from numerous federal, state, local, and tribal governmental entities. This review may cause your application to be limited, conditioned, or denied. Depending on the proposed use, you may be required to mitigate for potential impacts identified in the review.

<u>Mitigation for impacts to STE Species</u> – Mitigation is often complicated, time consuming, and expensive, and may include, but is not limited to, actions such as replacing the proposed amount of water within the impacted reach through purchasing or transferring an existing water right. Following the Initial Review, you will be notified if mitigation is required, due to impacts to STE fish species.

If you choose to pursue mitigation, you will likely need to place your application on administrative hold in order to explore options. There will be an additional fee of \$670 required with any mitigation proposal submitted.

#### 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 processing fee per application). You must notify the Department **in writing** by **November 27, 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 water system shall begin within five years of the date of permit issuance. <u>The deadline to begin construction may not be extended.</u> A permit is subject to cancellation proceedings if the begin construction deadline is missed.

#### 2. Water Use Measurement, Recording, and Reporting Condition:

- A. The Director may require the permittee to install a totalizing flow meter at each point of diversion. If the Director notifies the permittee to install a measuring device, the permittee shall install such device within the period stated in the notice. Once installed, the permittee shall maintain the device in good working order, and shall allow the watermaster access to the device.
- B. 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.
- C. The Director may provide an opportunity for the permittee to submit alternative measuring and reporting procedures for review and approval.

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 Water Quality Program web site at <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/ODA">http://www.oregon.gov/ODA</a> to learn more about the plans and how they may affect the proposed water use.

#### If you have any questions:

Feel free to contact me at Kim.R.French@oregon.gov or 503-986-0816 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: Kim French, Oregon Water Resources Department, 725 Summer St NE Ste A, Salem OR 97301-1266. Our fax number is 503-986-0901.

Sincerely,

Kim French

Water Right Application Specialist Oregon Water Resources Department

**Enclosures:** 

Application Process Description and Stop Processing Request Form

R-88876 WAB: NO PSI Proposed to Approve

# APPLICATION FACT SHEET

Application File Number: R-88876

Applicant: HETTERVIG PROPERTIES LLC

County: JEFFERSON

Watermaster: JEREMY GIFFIN, 11, SCR

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

Source: A WELL (JEFF 325) IN THE DESCHUTES RIVER BASIN

Purpose or Use: STORAGE FOR IRRIGATION, WILDLIFE, FIRE PROTECTION

Storage Facility Name and Volume: 0.1 ACRE FOOT (AF) IN RESERVOIR 1, 0.4 AF IN

RESERVOIR 2, AND 3.5 AF IN RESERVOIR 3

Basin Name & Number: DESCHUTES, #5

WAB: DESCHUTES R > COLUMBIA R - AB EAGLE CR

Point of Appropriation:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q	Measured Distances
10 S	13 E	WM	6	NW SW	1060 FEET SOUTH AND 460 FEET EAST FROM W1/4 CORNER, SECTION 6

#### The Area to be submerged by the Reservoirs:

Twp	Rng	Mer	Sec	Q-Q
10 S	13 E	WM	6	NE NW
10 S	13 E	WM	6	SW NW
10 S	13 E	WM	6	SE NW

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE: November 17, 2020

14 DAY STOP PROCESSING DEADLINE DATE: November 27, 2020

30 DAY COMMENT DEADLINE DATE: December 17, 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.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 pre-application 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 incomplete 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	g deadline is within 14 da	ys of Initial Review.	
Applicant notificat	ion to withdraw Water Ri	ight Application <b>R-88</b>	3876.
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Signature			Date
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	• •	•	s request authorizes that the ept \$260 processing fee) be
This notice must	st be received at Water R	esources Department	by:
	Novembo	er 27, 2020	
• Return the notice	ce to:		
	OWRD, Water Right STOP PROCESSING 725 Summer Street, N	S NE - Suite A	

# Mailing List for IR Copies

# Application R-88876

IR Date: November 13, 2020

### Original and map mailed to applicant:

HETTERVIG PROPERTIES LLC 1976 SE OCHOCO ST MILWAUKIE OR 97222

#### Sent via auto email:

- 1. Agent John Short johnshort@usa.com
- 2. WRD Watermaster District #11, Jeremy T. Giffin
- 3. WRD Kyle Gorman SCR
- 4. WRD SW Section

#### Copies sent to:

- 1. WRD File R-88876
- 2. DSL Wetlands Specialist

Application Specialist: Kim French

Copies Mailed	
By:	
On:	
(DATE)	