

**Oregon Water Resources Department  
Water Right Services Division**

**Application for Extension of Time**

In the Matter of the Application for an Extension of Time )  
for Permit G-15627, Water Right Application G-16070, in ) FINAL  
the name of County of Gilliam ) ORDER

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Permit Information

Application: G-16070  
Permit: G-15627  
Basin: 6 – John Day / Watermaster District 21  
Date of Priority: September 2, 2003  
Source of Water: Well 1 and Well 2 in China Creek Basin  
Purpose or Use: commercial use  
Maximum Rate: 2.0 cubic feet per second (cfs)

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This Extension of Time request is being processed in accordance with Oregon Revised Statute 537.630 and 539.010(5), and Oregon Administrative Rule Chapter 690, Division 315.

Appeal Rights

This final order is subject to judicial review by the Court of Appeals under ORS 183.482. Any petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60-day time period specified by ORS 183.482(1). Pursuant to ORS 536.075 and OAR 137-003-0675, you may petition for judicial review or petition the Director for reconsideration of this order. A petition for reconsideration may be granted or denied by the Director, and if no action is taken within 60 days following the date the petition was filed, the petition shall be deemed denied.

Application History

Permit G-15627 was issued by the Department on May 12, 2004. The permit complete application of water to beneficial use by October 1, 2008. On December 14, 2021, County of Gilliam submitted an Application for Extension of Time for Permit G-15627. In accordance with OAR 690-315-0050(2), on June 28, 2022, the Department issued a Proposed Final Order proposing to extend the time to fully apply water to beneficial use to October 1, 2027. The protest period closed August 12, 2022, in accordance with OAR 690-315-0060(1). No protest was filed.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

The Department adopts and incorporates by reference the findings of fact in the Proposed Final Order dated June 28, 2022.

At time of issuance of the Proposed Final Order the Department concluded that, based on the factors demonstrated by the applicant, any comments received, and information within the file, the permit may be extended subject to the following conditions:

## LIMITATIONS AND CONDITIONS

1. **Monitoring Plan/ Static Water Level Measurement Condition**

The permit holder shall submit a monitoring plan, as required by the permit, no later than October 1, 2022. If the required plan is not submitted by October 1, 2022, this extension of time is terminated, and the Department may begin cancelation of the permit.

2. **Last Extension Condition/Water Use Condition**

If no water is applied to beneficial use under the terms and conditions of Permit G-15627 on or before October 1, 2027, this will be the be the last extension of time granted for Permit G-15627 Any future extensions of time request may be denied, unless the permit holder can provide the Department with evidence that beneficial use of the water is shown during this extension period. In addition, all normal extension standards and rules will be evaluated. ORS 539.010(5); OAR 690-315-0040.

## CONCLUSION OF LAW

The applicant has demonstrated good cause for the permit extension pursuant to ORS 537.630, 539.010(5) and OAR 690-315-0040(2).

## ORDER

The extension of time for Application G-16070, Permit G-15627, therefore, is approved subject to conditions contained herein. The deadline for applying water to full beneficial use within the terms and conditions of the permit is extended from October 1, 2008, to October 1, 2027.

DATED: August 26, 2022



Dwight French  
Water Right Services Division Administrator, for  
Thomas M. Byler, Director  
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