

Temporary District Transfer Process

Changing a Water Right

OAR 690 Division 385



The vision of the Water Resources Department is to assure sufficient and sustainable water supplies are available to meet current and future needs.

Eligibility Restricted

- District must have a manager
- Lands that have not/will not be irrigated in the same irrigation season as the temporary transfer are eligible
- Changes are authorized for one irrigation season, not to exceed 1 year per application

District Obtains Landowner Authorization

- District keeps authorization on file for all affected users
- District notifies water user change is subject to OWRD approval

District Submits Temporary Transfer Application

- WATER USE MAY BEGIN at "ON" lands
- All POU changes OK
- POD or Use changes have restrictions

Public Notice

- OWRD Weekly Notice
- 30-day comment period

Application Reviewed

- All lands are within district boundaries
- Subject to Watermaster review
- No injury or enlargement

Final Order Issued

- OWRD will Approve or Deny Application
- Approved changes have an expiration date
- OWRD may revoke at any time if the transfer is found to cause injury

Changes Revert Upon Expiration

- All uses automatically revert to terms and conditions of originating water right upon expiration
- Time during which water is used under an approved temporary transfer does not apply toward a finding of forfeiture under ORS 540.610

OWRD

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THREE (3) FORMS FOR TEMPORARY DISTRICT TRANSFERS

1. Application Form for Temporary District Transfer



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Application for District Temporary Water Right Transfer

Please type or print legibly in dark ink. If your application is incomplete or inaccurate, we will return it to you. If any requested information does not apply to your application, insert "N/A" to indicate "Not Applicable." As you complete this form, please refer to notes and guidance included on the application. A summary of review criteria and procedures that are generally applicable to these applications is available at www.wrd.state.or.us/OWRD/PUBS/forms.shtml.

Application for the _____ irrigation season.
year

2. Supplemental Form A for Temporary District Transfer. . .



District Temporary Water Right Transfer Application Supplemental Form A

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGE(S) TO A WATER RIGHT

List only one water right per page. A separate Supplemental Form A must be completed for each certificate, permit, decree, or other right involved in the proposed transfer.

Attach additional copies of Supplemental Form A as needed to describe other certificates, permits, decrees or other rights involved in this transfer.

▪ Certificate Number or other identifying number: _____

1. TYPE OF CHANGE(S) PROPOSED

(Check *all* that apply.)

Point of Diversion or Appropriation	Place of Use	Character of Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change to facilitate a change in Place of Use (The old point of diversion or appropriation will <u>not</u> be used for _____)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>All</u> of the right will be exercised at a different location than currently authorized (Use of water at the _____)	Proposed new use: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change a water right to Store Water

3. Land Use Form (check to see if needed). . .

Land Use Information Form



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NOTE TO APPLICANTS

In order for your application to be processed by the Water Resources Department (WRD), this Land Use Information Form must be completed by a local government planning official in the jurisdiction(s) where your water right will be used and developed. The planning official may choose to complete the form while you wait, or return the receipt stub to you. Applications received by WRD without the Land Use Form or the receipt stub will be returned to you. Please be aware that your application will not be approved without land use approval.

This form is NOT required if:

- 1) Water is to be diverted, conveyed, and/or used only on federal lands, **OR**
- 2) The application is for a water right transfer, allocation of conserved water, exchange, permit amendment, or ground water registration modification, and **all** of the following apply:
 - a) The existing and proposed water use is located entirely within lands zoned for exclusive farm-use or within an irrigation district.
 - b) The application involves a change in place of use only;
 - c) The change does not involve the placement or modification of structures, including but not limited to water diversion, impoundment, distribution facilities, water wells and well houses, **and**
 - d) The application involves irrigation water uses only.