



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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June 21, 2005

City of Goldendale  
c/o David S. Griffin, Public Works Director  
PO Box 69  
Goldendale WA 98620-0069

Dear Mr. Griffin:

**Re: Emergency Drought Permit No. G4-35027 – City of Goldendale**

The City of Goldendale (the City) has multiple water rights for both surface and ground water supplying the City with municipal water. Due to a mild winter and low snow pack, it is likely that existing surface water sources will not be sufficient to meet the City's water supply needs in 2005. This application requests to increase the instantaneous pumping rate of the City's Chlorination Station Well by 300 gallons per minute (gpm) in order to provide a continuous source of public water supply to the City of Goldendale. A recent change authorization through the Klickitat County Conservancy Board authorized the use of the Chlorination Station Well with an instantaneous quantity of 897 gpm.

In accordance with the provisions of RCW 43.83B.405, on March 10, 2005, it was ordered and determined by the Director of the Department of Ecology that the State of Washington is under drought conditions. In accordance with the provisions of WAC 173-166-060, the Department of Ecology is, under the terms of this Order, issuing an EMERGENCY DROUGHT PERMIT. The intent of this authorization is to alleviate hardships and reduce the burdens on water users arising from the drought conditions.

**THIS AUTHORIZATION SHALL IN NO MANNER BE CONSTRUED TO GUARANTEE OR IMPLY THAT A FINAL (REGULAR) PERMIT WILL ISSUE FOR THE FUTURE USE OF THE WATER USE HEREIN AUTHORIZED.**

This temporary authorization is subject to the following limitations and conditions:

This authorization is for an existing well located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 21, T. 5 N., R. 16 E.W.M.

The instantaneous quantity of water to be withdrawn under this authorization is 300 gpm. This is additive to the instantaneous quantities granted in Change Authorization No. CS4-ADJ79P66 (1 cubic foot per second (cfs) or 448.8 gpm) and Change Authorization No. CS4-ADJ79P76 (1 cfs or 448.8 gpm) for a total of 1197 gpm from the Chlorination Station Well.

Surface water appropriations from the Simcoe Mountain Springs source shall be decreased by 0.67 cfs (300 gpm) while this authorization remains in effect. The maximum instantaneous diversion under Surface Water Certificate Nos. 11 and 63 of the Little Klickitat River Adjudication shall be 2.84 cfs. In addition, at least 0.67 cfs must be allowed to flow past the Simcoe Mountain Springs diversion facilities before any appropriations under Surface Water Certificate Nos. 11 and 63 of the Little Klickitat River Adjudication.

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The annual quantity of water to be withdrawn under this authorization is 242.6 acre-feet for continuous municipal supply. This quantity is additive to the annual quantities granted in Change Authorization No. CS4-ADJ79P66 (720 acre-feet per year) and CS4-ADJ79P76 (618 acre-feet per year) for a total of 1580.6 acre-feet per year from the Chlorination Station Well.

The place of use is described as follows:

The place of use of this water right is the service area described in the Water System Plan approved by the Washington State Department of Health on May 10, 2004, so long as the City of Goldendale is and remains in compliance with the criteria in RCW 90.03/386(2).

A suitable flow meter approved by the Department of Ecology shall be installed and maintained in accordance with Chapter 173-173 WAC. (Installation, operation and maintenance requirements attached hereto.)

Whenever water is being withdrawn, bi-weekly (every two weeks) readings of the flow meter shall be recorded and maintained by the permittee. These readings shall be documented by time, date, withdrawal rate, and the person conducting the measurements. Copies of these records shall be submitted to the Department of Ecology by January 15, 2006.

Department of Ecology personnel, upon presentation of proper credentials, shall have access at reasonable times, to the records of water use that are kept to meet the above conditions, and to inspect at reasonable times any measuring device used to meet the above conditions.

Withdrawal of water under this authorization may be limited or otherwise regulated in favor of senior rights.

This drought emergency authorization expires on December 31, 2005.

You have the right to appeal this decision to the Pollution Control Hearings Board. Pursuant to Chapter 43.21B RCW, your appeal must be filed with the Pollution Control Hearings Board, and served on the Department of Ecology, within thirty (30) days of the date of your receipt of this document.

To appeal this decision, your notice of appeal must contain a copy of the Ecology decision you are appealing.

Your appeal must be filed with:

The Pollution Control Hearings Board  
4224 - 6th Avenue SE Rowe Six Bldg 2  
PO Box 40903  
Lacey WA 98504-0903

Your appeal must also be served on:

The Department of Ecology  
Appeals Coordinator  
PO Box 47608  
Olympia WA 98504-7608

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In addition, please send a copy of your appeal to:

Robert F. Barwin  
Department of Ecology  
15 W Yakima Ave Ste 200  
Yakima WA 98902-3452

Sincerely,

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Robert F. Barwin, Section Manager  
Water Resources Program  
Central Region Office

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Enclosures: Flow Meter Requirements  
Your Right To Be Heard

cc: Carroll Palmer, Director, Natural Resources Division, Yakama Nation  
Curt Hart, Water Resources Program, HQ