

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

WA 83

In the Matter of

SUNRIVER WATER LLC,

Expanded Service Territory Application.

**PREHEARING CONFERENCE
MEMORANDUM**

On June 24, 2021, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon held a prehearing conference in this docket. Representatives appeared on behalf of Sunriver Water LLC, Pine Forest Development LLC, and Commission Staff. At the prehearing conference, I discussed a schedule with participants and reviewed procedural options for handling this docket. After the prehearing conference, Staff provided draft schedules to the administrative hearings division for contested case proceedings for consideration, should the Commission decide to conduct this docket as a contested case, rather than an other than contested case.

This docket will be handled as an other than contested case. Accordingly, the schedule below provides deadlines to supplement the application filed in this docket, a public comment hearing, and after that, Staff may determine when it may be appropriate to bring a recommendation on this application to the Commission.

Petitions to Intervene

Prior to the conference, Pine Forest Development LLC, filed a petition to intervene in this docket. No party has objected to the petition. Though this case is not contested, the petition to intervene is granted.

Requirement to Supplement Application through Filings in this Docket

Water service territory allocations are governed by OAR 860-036-1810, and expansions are governed by OAR 860-036-1820. These rules were most recently updated in January 2017.¹

Sunriver Water LLC must update its application consistent with OAR 860-036-1820(1), no later than July 21, 2021. Specifically, Sunriver Water must provide information on the following elements required under OAR 860-036-1820(1), or an explanation as to why no supplemental information is required under the rule for these elements:

- (e) A study showing the projected cost to provide service to the proposed expanded service territory. Identify the amount per each operating expense account at full build out;

¹ See Order No. 17-017.

(f) A schedule showing the projected capital structure including the methods of financing the construction and operation of the utility until it reaches 100 percent of the design capacity of the system;

(h) A written description of the type of water treatment necessary, if required;

(i) A schedule showing the projected cost of the capital improvements necessary to serve the proposed service territory by plant accounts and the expected date the plant is projected to go into service. If the system is to be built in phases, show information for each phase individually;

(j) A list of all entities, including affiliates, upon which the applicant is relying to provide funding to the water utility for capital improvement, and an explanation of the manner and amount of such funding, including their financial statements and a copy of all contracts or agreements with the utility. This requirement will not apply to any person or entity holding less than 10 percent ownership interest in the utility;

(k) Financial statements demonstrating applicant's financial capability;

(m) A statement describing any impact the expansion of service territory may have on existing customers.

Following adequate time for review of these application materials by interested members of the public, a public comment hearing will be held on August 4, 2021. Following the public meeting, Commission Staff may bring a recommendation forward to the Commission at a future regular public meeting.

Procedural Schedule

The following schedule is adopted:

EVENT	DATE
Deadline for Sunriver Water to file information required by OAR 860-036-1820(1)	July 21, 2021
Public Comment Hearing	August 4, 2021

Dated this 7th day of July, 2021, at Salem, Oregon.



Nolan Moser
Chief Administrative Law Judge