CHAPTER 89-03-02
MODIFICATION OF A WATER PERMIT

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89-03-02-01. Submission of an application for a change in point of diversion or change in purpose of use.

An application for a change in point of diversion or a change in purpose of use must be submitted to the state engineer on the form provided by the state engineer. The state engineer may require information not requested in the application. A change in purpose of use may only be granted for a use that has a higher priority than the use from which a change is sought, as specified in North Dakota Century Code section 61-04-06.1.

History: Amended effective April 1, 1989; July 1, 2014.
General Authority: NDCC 28-32-02, 61-03-13
Law Implemented: NDCC 61-04-04, 61-04-06.1, 61-04-15.1

89-03-02-02. Return of unsatisfactory application.

If the change in purpose of use or change in point of diversion application is not submitted on the proper form or if the form is improperly completed, it will be returned within thirty days, along with a statement of the required corrections.

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89-03-02-03. Amendment of application.

An applicant for a change in purpose of use or a change in point of diversion, before being instructed to give notice as provided in section 89-03-01-04, may amend an application. An amendment request may be made by letter or by submission of an amended application.

If any notice of an application for a change in the purpose of use or a change in the point of diversion has been mailed before the request to amend, the applicant must mail corrected notice of the application to all persons who were sent the original notice and must submit an affidavit of service of corrected notice to the state engineer. If the notice of application has been published, the state engineer must publish a corrected notice. The state engineer may determine that corrected notices need not be mailed or published if the state engineer determines the amendment is insubstantial. The applicant must pay publication costs.
89-03-02-04. Fee.

Repealed effective April 1, 1989.

89-03-02-05. Notice of application.

Notification of an application for change in purpose of use or change in point of diversion must be handled in accordance with section 89-03-01-04.

89-03-02-06. Publication of notice of an application for a change in the purpose of use or point of diversion.

Notice of an application or an amendment to an application for a change in the purpose of use or a change in the point of diversion must be published in accordance with section 89-03-01-05.

89-03-02-07. Filing proof of publication and mailing.

Repealed effective April 1, 1989.

89-03-02-08. Assignment of a water permit to another person.

A request to assign a water permit to another person must be submitted to the state engineer in writing. Either the transferee or the holder of the permit may apply for assignment of the water permit. The application must describe the transferee's interest in the water permit. The state engineer may request additional documentation of the transferee's interest.

89-03-02-09. Transfer of a water permit to another parcel.

A request to transfer a water permit to another parcel of land owned or leased by the permittee must be submitted to the state engineer on the form provided by the state engineer.

89-03-02-10. Change in location of use.

No change in location of use of a conditional or perfected water permit will be granted if other appropriators that rely upon the return flows from the permittee's beneficial use of water would be adversely affected. "Return flow" is residual water that is returned to its source or some other source after beneficial use by a permittee.
89-03-02-11. Increase in pumping rate.

A request to increase a permittee's pumping rate must be made in writing to the state engineer. The state engineer, before making a decision on the request, will consider what effect the increase has on other appropriators from the water source.

89-03-02-12. Water permit for irrigation - Limitation.

The state engineer may increase the number of acres that may be irrigated on the tracts of land specified in a water permit to allow for more efficient operation of an irrigation system. A request for an increase in the number of acres must be evaluated in accordance with subsections 1 through 3 of North Dakota Century Code section 61-04-06. Any increase in acreage cannot exceed ten percent of the originally approved acreage.

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Proposed point of diversion

SE1/4 SE1/4 of Section 8, Township 150 North, Range 83 West. All landowners within a one-mile (1.6 kilometer) radius of the exterior boundaries of the 40-acre (16-hectare) tract must be notified.

Proposed point of diversion

SE1/4 of Section 8, Township 150 North, Range 83 West. All landowners within a one-mile (1.6 kilometer) radius of the exterior boundaries of the 160-acre (65-hectare) tract must be notified.