- (5) That the licensee will pay to the state annually not more than \$1 for each horsepower covered by the license. This sum shall constitute a first lien upon the project, which lien may be enforced by suit in equity or other appropriate proceeding, or payment thereof may be enforced by the state in an action for debt. Payment of such license fees may be waived by the commission during all or any part of the period of construction. The fees need not be uniform throughout the entire period of the license, but may be for different amounts for different periods. The amount of the license fees, within the minimum and maximum limits herein specified, shall be determined by the commission and expressed in the license.
- (6) Other and further conditions not inconsistent with ORS 543.010 to 543.610 as the commission may require in the public interest.
- (7) In issuing a license for a minor project of not more than 100 horsepower the commission may waive all or any of the conditions and requirements of ORS 543.010 to 543.610 except the period for which a license may be issued, and the annual charge as determined by the commission under subsection (5) of this section. In issuing licenses for projects in excess of 100 horsepower for which the applicants are required to secure permits and licenses from the United States as a condition precedent to the construction of the projects, the commission may waive and modify such of the terms, conditions and requirements of ORS 543.010 to 543.610, except the period for which a license may be issued and the annual charge as determined by the commission under subsection (5) of this section, as the commission, by order, after full investigation and public hearing, shall find to make impracticable the construction of such projects. During the time that a licensee is not a public utility and does not sell electric energy, and does not sell bonds or other evidences of debt against the licensee's plant, the commission may waive the accounting and amortization requirements of ORS 543.010 to 543.610, even where the project involved exceeds 100 horsepower.
- (8) Subsection (5) of this section does not apply to a water right reauthorized pursuant to ORS chapter 543A. [Amended by 1959 c.560 §1; 1961 c.224 §19; 1985 c.673 §154; 1999 c.873 §23]
- **543.310 Disposition of moneys collected.** Except as provided in ORS 536.015, all moneys collected under the provisions of ORS 543.010 to 543.610 shall forthwith be paid to the State Treasurer and become a part of the General Fund. [Amended by 1985 c.674 §10; 1991 c.869 §10]

**543.320 Effect of amendment or repeal of law.** The right to alter, amend or repeal ORS 543.010 to 543.610, or any part thereof, hereby is expressly reserved; but no such alteration, amendment or repeal shall affect any license theretofore issued under the provisions of ORS 543.010 to 543.610, or the rights of any licensee thereunder, unless expressly assented to by the licensee.

## TIME FOR CONSTRUCTION; TERMINATION, REVOCATION OR TRANSFER OF LICENSE

- 543.410 Construction of project; time for commencement and completion; supply of service; extension of time; nonperformance; termination of license. (1) The licensee shall commence the construction of the project works within the time fixed in the license, which shall not be more than two years from the date thereof, shall thereafter in good faith and with due diligence prosecute such construction, and shall, within the time fixed in the license, complete and put into operation such part of the ultimate development as the Water Resources Commission considers necessary to supply the reasonable needs of the then available market, and shall, from time to time thereafter construct such portion of the balance of the development as the commission directs, so as to supply adequately the reasonable market demands until development is completed.
- (2) The period for commencement of construction may be extended once but not longer than two additional years, and the period for the completion of construction carried on in good faith and with reasonable diligence may be extended by the commission when not incompatible with the public interests.
- (3) If the licensee does not commence actual construction of the project works or of any specified part of the project works, within the time prescribed in the license or as extended by the commission, then, after due notice given, the license shall, as to the project works or part of the project works, be terminated upon written order of the commission. [Amended by 1985 c.673 §155]
- 543.420 Noncompletion of construction within prescribed time; judicial proceedings; sale of property; disposition of proceeds; rights of purchaser. If construction of a project under license has been begun but has not been completed within the time prescribed in the license or in any lawful extension thereof, then the Attorney General, upon request of the Water Resources Commission, shall institute proceedings in the circuit court for the county in which some part of the project is situated,