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Split Season Instream Leasing Program

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Instream Transactions

Instream Transfer

- Water right converted instream, water is protected in perpetuity

Instream Lease

- Water right converted instream for entire season, water protected up to 5-years, no limit on renewals

Split Season Instream Lease

- Water right converted instream during portion of season, original use for other portion of season, up to 5-years but limited to 10 years total

General Principles – Split Season Lease

1–5-year lease

No injury or enlargement

Water use measurement and reporting required

Land dried up when water leased instream

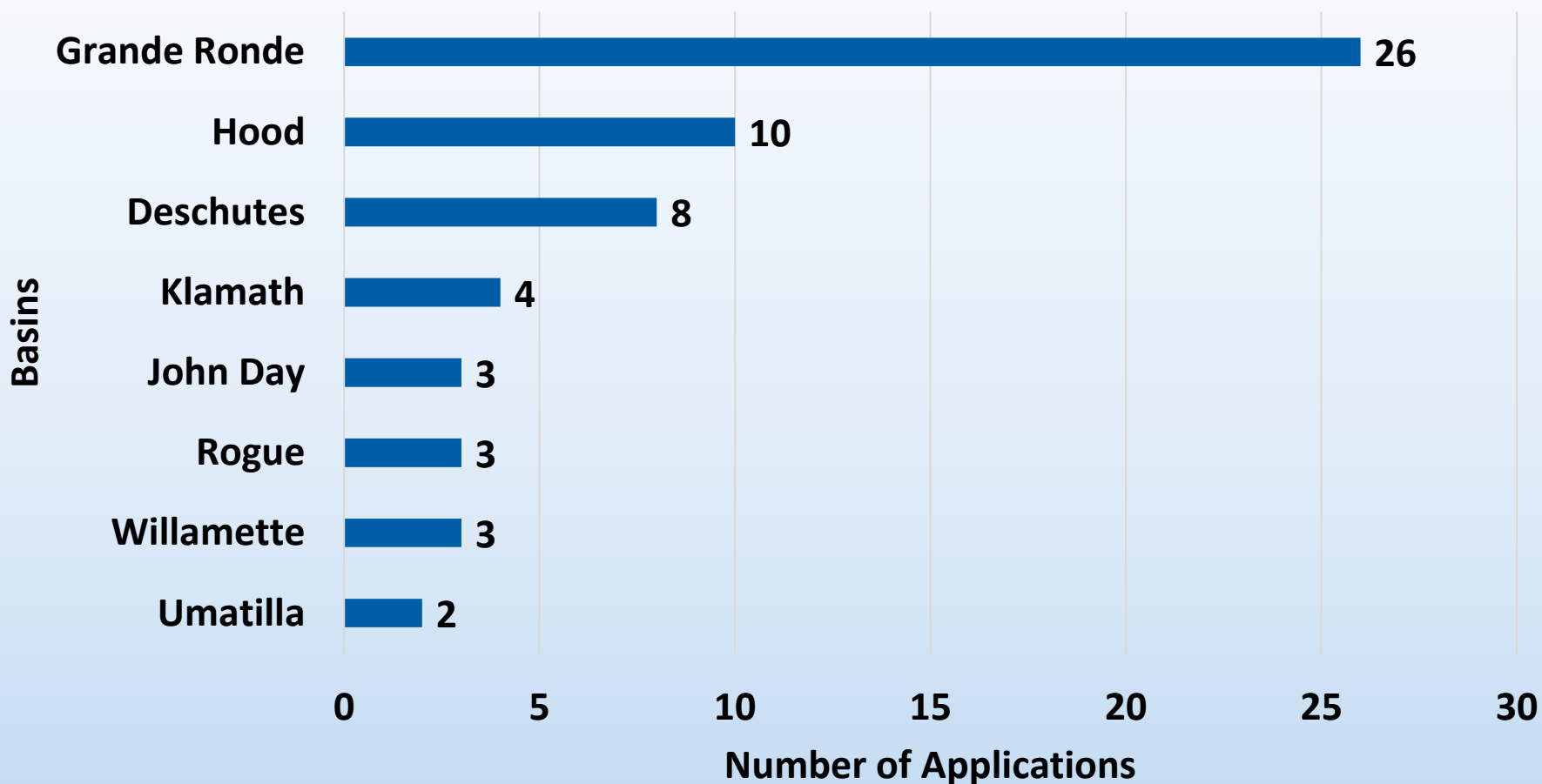
Original priority date retained

Lease can be modified or terminated

Reversion to original water right at end of lease

Approved Split Season Lease Applications by Basin

Total Approved Applications by Basin (59 approved)



House Bill 3164

1. Makes Split Season Instream Leasing program permanent
2. Repeals 10-year total enrollment limit

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