

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 211586-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1903

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/1985 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.00 CFS

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Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

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Priority Date: JULY 15, 1889

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

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Irrigation Type: FLOOD

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 211590-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1903

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/1985 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.20 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

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Water Right Number: 40A 211591-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1902

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/1985 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.12 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

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Water Right Number: 40A 211592-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JULY 1, 1900

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

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Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 5.83 CFS

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Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

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Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.33 CFS

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Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

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Water Right Number: 40A 211594-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JUNE 15, 1897

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

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Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.50 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

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Water Right Number: 40A 211595-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JULY 1, 1895

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/1985 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.00 CFS

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Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

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Source Type: SURFACE WATER

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Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 1

Place of Use:

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Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

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Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

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Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

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Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 2.40 CFS

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Water Right Number: 40A 211597-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
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Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1890

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Remarks:

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THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE FILED ON THE SAME FORMERLY DECREED WATER RIGHT. THE SUM OF THE CLAIMED FLOW RATES EXCEEDS THE 40 MINER'S INCHES DECREED IN CASE NO. 1703 , MEAGHER COUNTY. 40A 110021-00, 40A 211597-00.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 211598-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: MAY 15, 1889

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/85 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.00 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
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Water Right Number: 40A 211599-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1901

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/1985 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.00 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

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Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 1

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Water Right Number: 40A 211600-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: MAY 15, 1889

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/85 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.00 CFS

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Maximum Acres: 1,163.10

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

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Water Right Number: 40A 211601-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JUNE 15, 1896

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3	22.00		NE	4	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
4	102.00		NE	4	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
5	120.00		NW	4	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
6	40.00		SE	4	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
7	20.00		SW	4	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
8	100.00		NE	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
9	60.00		NW	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
10	40.00		NW	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
11	120.00		SE	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
12	240.00		SW	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
13	91.00		E2	6	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
14	26.00		NE	6	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
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Water Right Number: 40A 211602-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1890

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/85 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.93 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,061.20

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Ditch Name: CHARLES E. DUNNING DITCH NO. 1						
2		NWSE NW	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 5						
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Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 5						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Ditch Name: MONTGOMERY DITCH NO. 2						
4		NWSWSE	2	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 5						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
5		SESWSW	12	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 5						
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Ditch Name: MONTGOMERY-FREESER DITCH						
6 - SECONDARY		NESE NW	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
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12	119.00		SW	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
13	112.20		N2	36	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
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Water Right Number: 40A 211603-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1889

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/85 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 2.30 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,061.20

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

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Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
3		NWNEN W	2	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 5						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Ditch Name: MONTGOMERY DITCH NO. 2						
4		NWSWSE	2	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 5						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
5		SESWSW	12	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
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Ditch Name: MONTGOMERY-FREESER DITCH						
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Water Right Number: 40A 211604-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JUNE 15, 1900

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

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Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 6.58 CFS

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Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,061.20

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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Ditch Name: MONTGOMERY DITCH NO. 2						
4		NWSWSE	2	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 5						
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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 211605-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1966

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/1985 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR.

Volume: 160.00 AC-FT

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 311.60

Source Name: CROOKED CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESWSE	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 1

Diversion Means: DAM

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A HEADGATE.

***Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** CROOKED CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESWSE	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Dam Height: 40.00 FEET

Surface Area: 18.80 ACRES

Capacity: 300.00 ACRE-FEET

SEE THE RESERVOIR WORKSHEET IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	311.60			4	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Total: 311.60

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 12/02/1985 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

MEANS OF DIVERSION AND RESERVOIR RECORD WERE MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 211643-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: WILKS RANCH MONTANA LTD
C/O KAREN WILLIAMSON
PO BOX 111
CISCO, TX 76437 0111

Priority Date: APRIL 10, 1944

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 02/10/1986 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 3.79 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 100.00

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MERRILLS SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS LAMMERTINE CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u> <u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SES	WSE	9	10N	19E GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u> <u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	100.00		E	2	16	10N	19E GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	100.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

ON JANUARY 27, 2011 THE MONTANA STATE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS FILED AN OBJECTION TO THE OWNERSHIP. THIS WILL BE HEARD AFTER PROPER NOTICE ON THE NEXT OBJECTION LIST.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 02/10/1986 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE CLAIMED POINT OF DIVERSION IS IN QUESTION. THE LOCATION OF THE HEADGATE CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM AVAILABLE DATA.

SOURCE NAME WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

THE SOURCE MAY BE INCORRECT. THE CLAIM FORM SUGGESTS A SPRING IS THE SOURCE OF WATER. FURTHER, IT IS UNCLEAR WHERE THIS CLAIM'S POINT OF DIVERSION IS LOCATED. DEPENDING ON ITS LOCATION, THE SOURCE NAME FOR THIS CLAIM MAY BE AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SWIMMING WOMAN CREEK OR AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MERRILLS SPRINGS CREEK.

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Water Right Number: 40A 211717-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

***Owners:** LORNA G THERIAULT
PO BOX 672
HARLOWTON, MT 59036

Priority Date: MAY 31, 1886

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 3.00 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

***Maximum Acres:** 250.00

***Source Name:** AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	6		4	6N	15E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
2		NENWNE	27	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	250.00		E2	22	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Total:	250.00						

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

204421-00 204422-00 204423-00 204424-00 211717-00

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE WATER RIGHT WAS ORIGINALLY MARKED AS A LATE CLAIM. THIS CLAIM IS A VALID IMPLIED CLAIM GENERATED FROM INFORMATION IN WATER RIGHT NOS. 40A 204422-00 AND 40A 198208-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

POINT OF DIVERSION ID NO. 2 APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN THE SENWNE SEC 27 TWP 7N RGE 15E WHEATLAND COUNTY.

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Water Right Number: 40A 211888-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: BARBARA A HEREIM
1449 MT HWY 294
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8708

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1891

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 05/18/1987 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 6.13 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 47.00

Source Name: DEER CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2	SWNWNE	2	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
2		NENWSE	2	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
3		SESESW	35	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Period of Use: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2.00		SWNWNE	2	7N	9E	MEAGHER
2	3.00		NWSWNE	2	7N	9E	MEAGHER
3	15.00		E2NW	2	7N	9E	MEAGHER
4	15.00		W2SE	35	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5	5.00		E2NESW	35	8N	9E	MEAGHER
6	7.00		S2SESW	35	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Total:	47.00						

Remarks:

THE FLOW RATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 10/02/1998.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT, PRIORITY DATE, AND FLOW RATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE CLAIMS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT USE THE SAME FILED APPROPRIATION TO DOCUMENT THE RIGHT. THE COMBINED FLOW RATE FOR THIS GROUP OF CLAIMS EXCEEDS THE TOTAL OF THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION. 40A 20739-00, 40A 211888-00.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS ABSTRACT DOES NOT APPEAR TO REFLECT PRE-1973 WATER USE. RATHER, IT REFLECTS POST-1973 CHANGES THAT WERE MADE TO THE WATER RIGHT. DNRC IS UNABLE TO DETERMINE WHAT THE PRE-1973 POINT(S) OF DIVERISION, ACREAGE, AND PLACE OF USE WERE.

CLAIM FILED LATE 05/18/1987 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE MEAGHER COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1950) APPEARS TO INDICATE 21.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

POINT OF DIVERSION WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

THE MAXIMUM COMBINED ACRES FOR THIS GROUP OF SUPPLEMENTAL CLAIMS MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION PENDING RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM IRRIGATED ACRES ISSUE.

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Water Right Number: 40A 211936-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: WHEATLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 16
PO BOX 288
HARLOWTON, MT 59036

Priority Date: JULY 12, 1954

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 10/14/1987 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: SPRINKLER

Flow Rate: 25.00 GPM

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1.50

Source Name: JAWBONE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWSE	22	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15

Diversion Means: PUMP

Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.50		NWNWSE	22	8N	15E	WHEATLAND
Total:	1.50						

Remarks:

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THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 10/14/1987 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 211946-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: 5 SEAS RANCH LLC
PO BOX 285
DITTMER, MO 63023 0285

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1895

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 10/29/1987 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 289.00 GPM

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 17.00

Source Name: TIMBER CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSESE	36	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 1
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	17.00		NWNE	1	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
Total:	17.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 10/29/1987 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION MAY BE INCORRECT/INCOMPLETE. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN THE NWNSE SEC 36 TWP 11N RGE 17E WHEATLAND COUNTY. HOWEVER, THERE APPEARS TO BE ANOTHER DIVERSION ON AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF TIMBER CREEK WHICH IS LOCATED IN THE NWSESE SEC 36 TWP 11N RGE 17E WHEATLAND COUNTY.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 211984-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: CHRISTOPHER E COLSON
PO BOX 185
RYEGATE, MT 59074 0185

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1949

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 11/27/1987 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 178.50 GPM

RUNOFF

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 10.50

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DAISY DEAN CREEK, DRY FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESENE	30	10N	12E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2.10		NWNWSW	29	10N	12E	WHEATLAND
2	3.10		SENWSW	29	10N	12E	WHEATLAND
3	2.20		SWNWSW	29	10N	12E	WHEATLAND
4	2.10		NWSESW	29	10N	12E	WHEATLAND
5	1.00		NESWSW	29	10N	12E	WHEATLAND
Total:	10.50						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 11/27/1987 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 212104-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners:

THOMAS N BOOTHE
2621 HARTWOOD DR
FORT WORTH, TX 76109 1230

BETTY I BOOTHE
2621 HARTWOOD DR
FORT WORTH, TX 76109

THOMAS N BOOTHE JR
30 WISTERIA CIRCLE
ABILENE, TX 79605 6423

BONNIE B ODEN
2648 STONELEIGH CIRCLE
RICHARDSON, TX 75080 1674

RAY W BOOTHE
2621 HARTWOOD DR
FORT WORTH, TX 76109

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 16, 1897

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 01/25/1988 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate:

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 39.17

Source Name: HAYMAKER CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENE	19	10N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO JULY 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO JULY 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	15.58		SESW	20	10N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	8.69		W2W2NE	29	10N	13E	WHEATLAND
3	14.90		E2E2NW	29	10N	13E	WHEATLAND
Total:	39.17						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 01/25/1988 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON HAYMAKER CREEK, EAST FORK WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 3432 , WHEATLAND COUNTY.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 212174-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: ELLA R HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

GERALD K HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1897

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** CURRANT CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSW	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSW	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 02/18/88 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 212175-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: ELLA R HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

GERALD K HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1897

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER
SLOUGH

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 02/18/1988 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 212176-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: GERALD K HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

ELLA R HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1897

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 02/18/1988 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 4.00 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 1 - HIGH

Maximum Acres: 95.00

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWSE	23	7N	24E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO OCTOBER 31
Diversion Means: DIVERSION DAM
Ditch Name: NADERMAN DITCH
Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	23.00		SW	5	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
2	38.70		E2NE	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
3	8.00		SWNE	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
4	7.70		NWSE	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
5	17.60		NWNW	8	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
Total:	95.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 19.00 GPM PER ACRE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 02/18/1988 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 212177-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GERALD K HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

ELLA R HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1946

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 1.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.50

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSENE	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.50		S	WSENE	7	7N	25E MUSSELSHELL
Total:	0.50						

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 02/18/1988 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 212178-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: GERALD K HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

ELLA R HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1897

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 02/18/1988 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWSE	23	7N	24E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31
Diversion Means: DITCH
Ditch Name: NADERMAN DITCH
Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SW	5	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
2			E2	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
3			NWNW	8	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

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STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 02/18/1988 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON MUSSELSHELL RIVER WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 1148 , GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 212179-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GERALD K HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

ELLA R HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1953

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

Volume: 2.00 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.50

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N	W	7	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.50		NW	SENE	7	7N	25E MUSSELSHELL
Total:	0.50						

Remarks:

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212179-00 212180-00

CLAIM FILED 02/18/1988 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 212180-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GERALD K HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

ELLA R HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1953

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	SENE	7	7N	25E MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NW	SENE	7	7N	25E MUSSELSHELL

Remarks:

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212179-00 212180-00

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THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 212181-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GERALD K HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

ELLA R HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1946

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 40.00 GPM

Volume: 2.00 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.50

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNW	8	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.50		NWNWNW	8	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
Total:	0.50						

Remarks:

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212181-00 212182-00

CLAIM FILED 02/18/1988 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 212182-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GERALD K HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

ELLA R HARPER
33 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1946

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 40.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWN	NW	8	7N	25E MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWNW	8	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Remarks:

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212181-00 212182-00

CLAIM FILED 02/18/1988 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 212187-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: BMP INVESTMENTS INC
100 PORTAL DR
ROUNDUP, MT 59072 6856

Priority Date: JUNE 23, 1904

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 03/07/1988 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 224.40 GPM

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 1 - HIGH

Maximum Acres: 13.20

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REHDER CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSENW	7	6N	27E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO AUGUST 31
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO AUGUST 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.20		SWSENW	7	6N	27E	MUSSELSHELL
2	10.40		S2SWNW	7	6N	27E	MUSSELSHELL
3	1.60		N2N2NWSW	7	6N	27E	MUSSELSHELL
Total:	13.20						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 03/07/1988 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE CLAIMED POINT OF DIVERSION IS IN QUESTION. THE LOCATION OF THE HEADGATE CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM AVAILABLE DATA.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 212770-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOHN J CROWLEY
PO BOX 617
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0617

ROGER A LINDSLEY
PO BOX 617
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0617

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 4, 1937

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

Volume: 2.00 AC-FT

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HOPLEY CREEK, WEST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	23	10N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NW	23	10N	13E	WHEATLAND

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112890-00 212770-00

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 112890-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214074-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: DISMISSED

Late Claim: B

Owners: AVIS M PERRY
12 PERRY RANCH RD
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453

JACK O PERRY
DECEASED
HC 60 BOX 336
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: TIMBER CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS DISMISSED BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT DURING ADJUDICATION OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214080-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA MEXICAN JOHN RANCH LLC
12 RAIN FERN COURT
THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380 1554

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1970

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: SPRINKLER/FLOOD

Flow Rate: 4,630.00 GPM

FLOW RATE IS BASED ON PUMP CAPACITY.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 126.00

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESWNW	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: PUMP

2		SESWNE	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: PUMP

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	31.00		NENE	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
2	30.00		NWNE	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
3	27.50		NENW	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
4	4.50		SENWNW	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
5	10.00		SWNW	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
6	20.00		W2SENW	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
7	2.70		NWNESW	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
8	0.30		NENWSW	22	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	126.00						

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

130827-00 130828-00 130829-00 214080-00

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 130828-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 36.75 GPM PER ACRE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 214125-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: CHARLES W CARSON
35 RIVERSIDE ST
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

IRENE M CARSON
35 RIVERSIDE ST
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1897

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 10/06/1989 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 392.70 GPM

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 1 - HIGH

Maximum Acres: 34.60

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWSE	23	7N	24E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 15
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Ditch Name: NADERMAN DITCH
Period of Use: MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 15

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	24.60		NESE	5	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
2	5.00		E2NWSE	5	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
3	5.00		N2SESE	5	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
Total:	34.60						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 10/06/1989 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE MUSSELSHELL COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 8.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214226-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SUTHERLAND TRUST
% ROBERT R SUTHERLAND, TRUSTEE
605 GOULDING CREEK RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

ELIASSON RANCH CO
16363 US HWY 12 W
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: JUNE 10, 1929

Type of Historical Right: USE

***Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 5.50 CFS

USE OF THIS FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THREE TIMES PER YEAR, THREE DAYS PER TIME, AT 5.50 CFS. MORE TIME MAY BE REQUIRED AT LOWER FLOWS.

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

***Maximum Acres:** 14.10

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESWNW	4	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

***Period of Diversion:** MAY 15 TO SEPTEMBER 20

Diversion Means: DIVERSION DAM

Ditch Name: RODEGHIERO DITCH

***Period of Use:** MAY 15 TO SEPTEMBER 20

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	5.50		W2N	WNE	4	7N	25E MUSSELSHELL
2	8.60		E2N	NENW	4	7N	25E MUSSELSHELL
Total:	14.10						

ENTIRE PLACE OF USE IS EAST OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 151880-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN THE NWSNW SEC 4 TWP 7N RGE 25E MUSSELSHELL COUNTY.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE RIGHT ON MUSSELSHELL RIVER WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 1148 , GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214232-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DIAMOND LEGACY LTD PARTNERSHIP
PO BOX 1908
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 1908

Priority Date: MAY 8, 1930

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FURROW/FLOOD

Flow Rate: 5.00 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 1,424.00

Source Name: AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNE	23	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: MAY 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
2		SWNWSW	23	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: MAY 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Period of Use: MAY 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	80.00		N2NE	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
2	40.00		SWNE	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
3	10.00		NWSENE	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
4	5.00		NESENE	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
5	5.00		SWSENE	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
6	10.00		NWNWSE	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
7	5.00		NENWSE	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
8	5.00		SWNWSE	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
9	10.00		NENESW	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
10	3.00		NWNESW	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
11	5.00		SWNESW	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
12	5.00		SENESW	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
13	20.00		E2SENW	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
14	3.00		SWSENW	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
15	3.00		NWSENW	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
16	5.00		SEENENW	13	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
17	610.00			8	7N	16E	WHEATLAND
18	600.00			9	7N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	1,424.00						

Remarks:

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184530-00 184535-00 184536-00 191109-00 214232-00

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NOS. 40A 192577-00, 40A 192578-00, AND 40A 198214-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION FOR POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 1 MAY BE INCORRECT. THE HEADGATE APPEARS TO BE IN NENENW SEC 23 TWP 7N RGE 15E WHEATLAND CO.

THE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION FOR POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 2 MAY BE INCORRECT. THE LOCATION OF THE DIVERSION FROM THE SOURCE CANNOT BE CONFIRMED WITH AVAILABLE DATA SOURCES.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214241-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DIAMOND LEGACY LTD PARTNERSHIP
PO BOX 1908
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 1908

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: NATURAL SUBIRRIGATION

Flow Rate: NO FLOW RATE HAS BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE OF NATURAL SUBIRRIGATION.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 20.00

Source Name: AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNW	7	7N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	20.00		NWNW	7	7N	16E	WHEATLAND

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
Total:	20.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 194506-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE RIGHT ON AMERICAN FORK WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 374 , SWEET GRASS COUNTY.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214290-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RATHS RANCH LP
% THOMAS M VANDEBERG
40 RATHS LN
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1947

***Type of Historical Right:** USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 2,439.00 GPM

THIS FLOW RATE REPRESENTS AN INCREASE AS TO 40A 203054-00 IN THE CAPACITY OF THE PUMP.

***Volume:** 67.50 AC-FT

THE WATER COURT HAS DETERMINED THAT A VOLUME QUANTIFICATION IS REQUIRED TO ADEQUATELY ADMINISTER THIS RIGHT.

Climatic Area: 1 - HIGH

Maximum Acres: 15.00

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWNE	18	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Diversion Means: PUMP

THIS PUMP IS USED IN 40A 203054-00, 40A 203055-00, 40A 203057-00, 40A 203058-00, 40A 203059-00, 40A 214290-00, 40A 214291-00, 40A 214292-00, 40A 214293-00.

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	15.00		W2NE	18	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
Total:	15.00						

Remarks:

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203054-00 214290-00 214291-00

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 203054-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 162.6 GPM PER ACRE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214291-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RATHS RANCH LP
% THOMAS M VANDEBERG
40 RATHS LN
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: JULY 5, 1972

***Type of Historical Right:** USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1,100.00 GPM

THIS FLOW RATE REPRESENTS AN INCREASE AS TO 40A 203054-00 AND 40A 214290-00 IN THE CAPACITY OF THE PUMP.

***Volume:** 67.50 AC-FT

THE WATER COURT HAS DETERMINED THAT A VOLUME QUANTIFICATION IS REQUIRED TO ADEQUATELY ADMINISTER THIS RIGHT.

Climatic Area: 1 - HIGH

Maximum Acres: 15.00

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWNE	18	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Diversion Means: PUMP

THIS PUMP IS USED IN 40A 203054-00, 40A 203055-00, 40A 203057-00, 40A 203058-00, 40A 203059-00, 40A 214290-00, 40A 214291-00, 40A 214292-00, 40A 214293-00.

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	15.00		W2NE	18	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
Total:	15.00						

Remarks:

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203054-00 214290-00 214291-00

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 214290-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 73.33 GPM PER ACRE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214292-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RATHS RANCH LP
% THOMAS M VANDEBERG
40 RATHS LN
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: JULY 5, 1972

***Type of Historical Right:** USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1,100.00 GPM

THIS FLOW RATE REPRESENTS AN INCREASE AS TO 40A 203055-00 IN THE CAPACITY OF THE PUMP.

***Volume:** 114.00 AC-FT

THE WATER COURT HAS DETERMINED THAT A VOLUME QUANTIFICATION IS REQUIRED TO ADEQUATELY ADMINISTER THIS RIGHT.

Climatic Area: 1 - HIGH

Maximum Acres: 20.00

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWN	WSW	18	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Diversion Means: PUMP

THIS PUMP IS USED IN 40A 203054-00, 40A 203055-00, 40A 203057-00, 40A 203058-00, 40A 203059-00, 40A 214290-00, 40A 214291-00, 40A 214292-00, 40A 214293-00.

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	20.00		SW	18	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL
Total:	20.00						

Remarks:

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203055-00 203060-00 214292-00

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 203055-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 55 GPM PER ACRE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 214293-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RATHS RANCH LP
% THOMAS M VANDEBERG
40 RATHS LN
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: JULY 5, 1972

***Type of Historical Right:** USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 3,090.20 GPM

THIS FLOW RATE REPRESENTS AN INCREASE AS TO 40A 203057-00 IN THE CAPACITY OF THE PUMP.

***Volume:** 45.60 AC-FT

THE WATER COURT HAS DETERMINED THAT A VOLUME QUANTIFICATION IS REQUIRED TO ADEQUATELY ADMINISTER THIS RIGHT.

Climatic Area: 1 - HIGH

Maximum Acres: 8.00

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWN	WSW	18	7N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Diversion Means: PUMP

THIS PUMP IS USED IN 40A 203054-00, 40A 203055-00, 40A 203057-00, 40A 203058-00, 40A 203059-00, 40A 214290-00, 40A 214291-00, 40A 214292-00, 40A 214293-00.

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	8.00		SWN	SW	18	7N	25E MUSSELSHELL
Total:	8.00						

Remarks:

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203057-00 214293-00

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THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 203057-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 386.28 GPM PER ACRE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214294-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: PAINT ROCK ANGUS RANCH INC
103 CURRANT CREEK LN
LAVINA, MT 59046

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1942

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type:

Flow Rate: NO FLOW RATE HAS BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR.

Volume: 200.00 AC-FT

Climatic Area: 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

Maximum Acres: 185.00

Source Name: DRY ASHLEY GULCH

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF EAST FORK CURRANT CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWSE	25	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

Reservoir: OFFSTREAM

Govt Lot Qtr Sec Sec Twp Rge County
 GOLDEN VALLEY

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

SEE THE RESERVOIR WORKSHEET IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL
 RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	8.80	10		5	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2	15.60	11		5	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3	40.60		E2SE	5	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
4	1.30		NENENE	8	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
5	18.80		SWSW	4	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
6	30.60		NWNW	9	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
7	38.70		E2NW	9	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
8	8.10		NESW	9	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
9	8.10		NWSE	9	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
10	14.40		SWSE	9	8N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	185.00						

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197947-00 214294-00

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 197947-00.

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS RESERVOIR IS AN ONSTREAM RESERVOIR RATHER THAN AN OFFSTREAM RESERVOIR AS IT IS CURRENTLY CODED. ITS ENTRY IS ALSO MISSING THE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION (SWSWSE SEC 25 TWP 9N RGE 20E GOLDEN VALLEY CO). NO TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT OR IRRIGATION TYPE ARE CODED EITHER.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE EXCESSIVE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EQUALS 5 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE RESERVOIR.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 214298-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: EDWARD V BREIDING
206 REDSKIN RD
SHAWMUT, MT 59078

HENRY J DECOCK
DECEASED
% 206 REDSKIN RD
SHAWMUT, MT 59078

Priority Date: JUNE 28, 1940

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type:

Flow Rate: 3.00 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 114.00

Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNWNW	25		6N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	16.00		NESW	31	6N	17E	WHEATLAND
2	9.00		SWNW	31	6N	17E	WHEATLAND
3	30.00		SENE	31	6N	17E	WHEATLAND
4	10.00		SWNE	25	6N	16E	WHEATLAND
5	4.00		SENE	25	6N	16E	WHEATLAND
6	35.00		SE	25	6N	16E	WHEATLAND
7	10.00		S2NW	25	6N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	114.00						

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214298-00 3457-00

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THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 3457-00.

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 214342-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: KEYSTONE USA CORP
1135 TERMINAL WAY SUITE 106
RENO, NV 89502

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1952

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 07/30/1993 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: TWIN COULEE

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWSE	5	8N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN STANDARDIZED BY DNRC FOR THIS CLAIM.

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENWSE	5	8N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1				
Dam Height:	7.00 FEET				
Surface Area:	1.20 ACRES				
Capacity:	3.30 ACRE-FEET				

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO NOVEMBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENWSE	5	8N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 07/30/1993 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214352-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: WEPPLER RANCH
PO BOX 88
RAPELJE, MT 59067 0088

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1952

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: NO FLOW RATE HAS BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR.
WATER RIGHTS NOS. 40A 195705-00, 40A 195706-00, 40A 195707-00, 40A 195708-00, AND 40A 214352-00 MAY BE USED CONCURRENTLY UNTIL JUNE 30. AFTER JUNE 30 CUMULATIVE FLOW MAY NOT EXCEED 10.88 CFS EXCEPT DURING UNUSUAL HIGH WATER.

Volume: 161.66 AC-FT

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 34.00

Source Name: BIG COULEE CREEK, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSNW	17	4N	19E	STILLWATER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: DAM

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		NENENW	17	4N	19E	STILLWATER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

BIG COULEE CREEK, SOUTH FORK, IS USED AS A NATURAL CARRIER TO DELIVER WATER FROM THE DAM TO THE HEADGATE.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION IS YEAR-ROUND WHEN WATER IS AVAILABLE FOR STORAGE.

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSEW	17	4N	19E	STILLWATER

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2.00		NWNE	8	4N	19E	STILLWATER
2	21.00		S2NE	8	4N	19E	STILLWATER
3	3.00		SEW	8	4N	19E	STILLWATER
4	8.00		W2SE	8	4N	19E	STILLWATER
Total:	34.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 195706-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 11/15/2016 , THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY THREE CROSS RANCH LLC.

THE CLAIMANT DID NOT IDENTIFY THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION FOR THIS RIGHT. A PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN ADDED TO MATCH THE PERIOD OF USE. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE RECEIVED TO THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION OR PERIOD OF USE, THOSE ELEMENTS WILL BE DECREED AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THIS ISSUE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THIS CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE EXCESSIVE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EQUALS 4 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE RESERVOIR.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
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Water Right Number: 40A 214380-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: BRENDA SNELLING
PO BOX 193
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0193

LAWRENCE (LARRY) K SNELLING
PO BOX 193
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0193

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1951

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 11/04/1993 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSESW	11	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN STANDARDIZED BY DNRC FOR THIS CLAIM.

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
		SWSESW	11	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1					
Dam Height:	10.00 FEET					
Surface Area:	0.30 ACRES					
Capacity:	3.00 ACRE-FEET					

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSESW	11	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 11/04/1993 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
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Water Right Number: 40A 214417-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LEE, ROBERT E RANCH CO
260 BLAKE CREEK RD
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453

***Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1893

***Type of Historical Right:** FILED

***Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 0.94 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

***Maximum Acres:** 73.00

***Source Name:** BLAKE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWSW	27	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

***Period of Diversion:** MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

***Period of Use:** MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 31

THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO HIGH OR FLOOD WATERS OF BLAKE CREEK.

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2.00		SWSWNW	27	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
2	2.00		NWNWSW	27	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
3	5.00		S2NE	28	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
4	64.00		N2SE	28	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
Total:	73.00						

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

203524-00 214417-00

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

203514-00 203524-00 214417-00

THIS CLAIM IS SUBJECT TO A WATER SHARING AGREEMENT FILED FOR RECORD IN WHEATLAND COUNTY ON NOVEMBER 3, 1993 AND RECORDED IN BOOK X MISC PAGE 3113-3115. SEE CLAIM FILE.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 203524-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN THE NESWNW SEC 27 TWP 11N RGE 17E WHEATLAND COUNTY.

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Water Right Number: 40A 214541-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1934

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 07/07/1994 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

***Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWSESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1
Dam Height: 24.00 FEET
Surface Area: 3.00 ACRES
Capacity: 26.00 ACRE-FEET

SEE THE RESERVOIR WORKSHEET IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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214541-00 214545-00 214570-00

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 09/06/1994: VOLUME, PRIORITY DATE.

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Water Right Number: 40A 214545-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1963

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 07/19/1994 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): FISH AND WILDLIFE

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR.

Volume: 26.00 AC-FT

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

***Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1					
Dam Height:	24.00 FEET					
Surface Area:	3.00 ACRES					
Capacity:	26.00 ACRE-FEET					

SEE THE RESERVOIR WORKSHEET IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

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THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 08/17/1994: FLOW RATE, PRIORITY DATE.

THE VOLUME WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 09/06/1994.

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM FILED LATE 07/19/1994 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

BECAUSE THIS CLAIM DID NOT RECEIVE A FACTUAL OR LEGAL ISSUE REMARK DURING THE CLAIMS EXAMINATION PROCESS, THE WATER COURT WILL NOT HOLD A HEARING ON THIS CLAIM UNDER MATTER OF THE ADJUDICATION OF EXISTING RIGHTS IN BASIN 411, 2002 MT 216, 311 MONT. 327, 55 P.3D 396 UNLESS A VALID OBJECTION IS FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-233, MCA, OR THE WATER COURT CALLS THE CLAIM IN ON ITS OWN MOTION UNDER RULE 8, W.R.ADJ.R.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214570-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JUNE 17, 1912

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 08/31/1994 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** NO FLOW RATE HAS BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR.

Volume: 60.00 AC-FT

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 46.30

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

***Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWSESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1
Dam Height: 24.00 FEET
Surface Area: 3.00 ACRES
Capacity: 26.00 ACRE-FEET

SEE THE RESERVOIR WORKSHEET IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	8.30		S2S2SE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
2	38.00		N2N2	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	46.30						

Remarks:

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214570-00 214580-00 214739-00

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214541-00 214545-00 214570-00

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/06/1995: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 08/31/1994 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 30107-178-163 , DATED 08/23/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE MAXIMUM COMBINED ACRES FOR THIS GROUP OF SUPPLEMENTAL CLAIMS MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION PENDING RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM IRRIGATED ACRES ISSUE.

VOLUME MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214571-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 28, 1971

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 09/08/1994 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 400.00 GPM

PRIMARILY A DIRECT FLOW SYSTEM; FLOW RATE RETAINED.

***Volume:** PRIMARILY A DIRECT FLOW SYSTEM; VOLUME NOT DECREED.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 80.50

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESE	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: DAM

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN STANDARDIZED BY DNRC FOR THIS CLAIM.

***Reservoir:** ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENESE	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Dam Height: 18.00 FEET

Surface Area: 1.60 ACRES

Capacity: 10.00 ACRE-FEET

SEE THE RESERVOIR WORKSHEET IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	31.50		S2	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
2	49.00		N2	22	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	80.50						

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/06/1995: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 09/08/1994 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 30107-178-163 , DATED 8/23/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

RESERVOIR RECORD WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214574-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DIAMOND LEGACY LTD PARTNERSHIP
PO BOX 1908
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 1908

Priority Date: AUGUST 25, 1884

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.66 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 130.00

Source Name: LEBO CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENE	15	7N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	20.00		S2NW	12	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
2	27.00		NENW	12	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
3	23.00		NE	12	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
4	10.00		NWNW	12	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
5	50.00		N2SW	12	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Total:	130.00						

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

184526-00 184527-00 184529-00 184531-00 184532-00 214574-00

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 184531-00.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214575-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JUNE 17, 1912

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		N2NE	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
2			N2NE	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 09/22/1994: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

CLAIM FILED 09/12/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214576-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1909

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 10.00 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 4.00

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNWSW	24	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	4.00		SWNWSW	24	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Total: 4.00

Remarks:

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THE FLOW RATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/06/1995.

CLAIM FILED 09/12/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214577-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1909

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNWSW	24	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNWSW	24	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

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214576-00 214577-00

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 214578-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1911

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

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Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESESE	24	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESESE	24	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

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214578-00 214579-00

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 214579-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1911

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

Volume: 4.00 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 1.00

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESESE	24	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.00		SESESE	24	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Total: 1.00

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214580-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1909

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 09/12/1994 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 65.00

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1
Diversion Means: DITCH
Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	25.00		SWSE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
2	40.00		NWNE	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	65.00						

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 09/12/1994 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 30107-178-163 , DATED 8/23/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE MAXIMUM COMBINED ACRES FOR THIS GROUP OF SUPPLEMENTAL CLAIMS MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION PENDING RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM IRRIGATED ACRES ISSUE.

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Water Right Number: 40A 214581-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

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BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1909

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

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1		SWNESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214582-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1909

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNENE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 09/12/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214583-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1909

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 09/12/1994 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 5.00

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: DITCH

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	5.00		S2SESE	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	5.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 09/12/1994 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 30107-178-163 , DATED 8/23/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE CLAIMED POINT OF DIVERSION IS IN QUESTION. THE LOCATION OF THE DITCH CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM AVAILABLE DATA.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214584-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1947

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 45.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWNE	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENWNE	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 09/12/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214585-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1946

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

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Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWNW	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWNW	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214586-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: DECEMBER 1, 1961

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 8.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S	WSENW	15	10N	16E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 09/12/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

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THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214597-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1931

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNE	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DITCH

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENENW	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 09/22/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

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THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THE CLAIMED POINT OF DIVERSION IS IN QUESTION. THE LOCATION OF THE DITCH CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM AVAILABLE DATA.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214598-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1924

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWN	SW	12	10N	16E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWN	SW 12	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

214598-00 214714-00

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/10/1995: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, PRIORITY DATE.

CLAIM FILED 09/22/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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Water Right Number: 40A 214599-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1930

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENW	14	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DITCH

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2NENW	14	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 214600-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWN	NWN	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWN	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 214601-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: JANUARY 5, 1927

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** 10.00 GPM

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Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	SE	SW	22	10N	16E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	22	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 214602-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1930

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** 10.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENW	25	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENENW	25	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 214621-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: WINNECOOK RANCH CO
PO BOX 641
HARLOWTON, MT 59036

***Priority Date:** JULY 31, 1949

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 10/17/1994 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 2.20 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 59.20

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESE	34	8N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Ditch Name: WINNECOOK DITCH NO. 410
Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	57.00		S2S2	5	7N	17E	WHEATLAND
2	2.20		SWSWSW	36	8N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	59.20						

Remarks:

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THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 10/17/1994 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214656-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1947

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

Volume: 1.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.25

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNE	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.25		NWNWNE	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	0.25						

Remarks:

THE FLOW RATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/06/1995.

CLAIM FILED 12/09/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214657-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1947

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENW	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENW	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/06/1995: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

CLAIM FILED 12/14/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 214658-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENW	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENW	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/06/1995: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

CLAIM FILED 12/09/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214659-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1925

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNESE	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNESE	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 12/09/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

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THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214660-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NES	WE	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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1			NESWSE	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
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Water Right Number: 40A 214661-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

Priority Date: DECEMBER 6, 1930

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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1		SWSWNE	25	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 214662-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1930

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENE	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNE	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 12/09/1994 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214713-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1930

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

Volume: 1.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.25

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENW	14	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.25		NWNENW	14	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	0.25						

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/10/1995: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

CLAIM FILED 02/06/1995 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 214714-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1924

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

Volume: 1.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.25

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWSW	12	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.25		NWN	SW 12	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	0.25						

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

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THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/10/1995: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, OWNER NAME.

CLAIM FILED 02/06/1995 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 214738-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: BAR NOTHING RANCH PARTNERSHIP
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

DEBORAH I GABLE
PO BOX 95
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1909

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 03/13/1995 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: NATURAL SUBIRRIGATION

***Flow Rate:** NO FLOW RATE HAS BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE OF NATURAL SUBIRRIGATION.

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 166.60

***Source Name:** SUBIRRIGATION, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	14	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						
2		N2NWSW	14	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						
3		SE	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						
4			22	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	59.00		NW	14	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
2	3.00		N2NWSW	14	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
3	28.00		SE	15	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
4	76.60			22	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Total:	166.60						

Remarks:

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 03/13/1995 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 214739-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners:

SCHWERS, BUTCH & JOAN FAMILY TRUST
ELWOOD V AND JOAN E SCHWERS, TRUSTEES
PO BOX 1354
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 1354

JOEL SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

HOLLY SCHWERS
PO BOX 121
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0121

OWNERSHIP UPDATE PROCESSED TO ADD NEW OWNERS. THE WATER RIGHT MAY BE SPLIT INTO SEPARATE WATER RIGHTS UPON REQUEST OF THE OWNERS.

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1909

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 03/13/1995 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: NATURAL SUBIRRIGATION

***Flow Rate:** NO FLOW RATE HAS BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE OF NATURAL SUBIRRIGATION.

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 227.10

***Source Name:** SUBIRRIGATION, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2S2SW	12	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						
2		NWNWNE	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						
3		NW	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						
4		E2	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						
5		N2	25	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						
6		N2N2	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: SUBIRRIGATION						

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	25.00		S2S2SW	12	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
2	2.50		NWNWNE	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
3	82.00		NW	13	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
4	68.00		E2	23	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
5	21.60		N2	25	10N	16E	WHEATLAND
6	28.00		N2N2	26	10N	16E	WHEATLAND

Total: 227.10

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

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THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 03/13/1995 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

SOURCE NAME MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214793-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: DOUGLAS E SHARBONO
RT 1 BOX 100
SILESIA, MT 59041

***Priority Date:** JULY 31, 1949

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/21/1995 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MERRILLS SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSESE	25	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN STANDARDIZED BY DNRC FOR THIS CLAIM.

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
		NWSESE	25	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1					
Dam Height:	15.00 FEET					
Surface Area:	0.11 ACRES					
Capacity:	1.70 ACRE-FEET					

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSESE	25	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/21/1995 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

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MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 214805-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: JAY F MAGER
% FRANK MAGER
PO BOX 134
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0134

***Priority Date:** MAY 31, 1952

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 07/10/1995 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SPRING CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENWNE	34	7N	12E	WHEATLAND

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN STANDARDIZED BY DNRC FOR THIS CLAIM.

Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: PUPPY DOG POND

	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
		SENWNE	34	7N	12E	WHEATLAND
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1					
Dam Height:	18.00 FEET					
Surface Area:	0.11 ACRES					
Capacity:	0.80 ACRE-FEET					

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENWNE	34	7N	12E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 07/10/1995 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215231-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: DAISY DEAN CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWSE	18	9N	12E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: DAM

***Reservoir:** ONSTREAM

	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
		NENWSE	18	9N	12E	WHEATLAND
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1					
Dam Height:	11.00 FEET					
Depth:	8.00 FEET					
Surface Area:	3.10 ACRES					
Capacity:	9.92 ACRE-FEET					

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, MAXIMUM DEPTH, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2E2	18	9N	12E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE CLAIMANT DID NOT IDENTIFY THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION FOR THIS RIGHT. A PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN ADDED TO MATCH THE PERIOD OF USE. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE RECEIVED TO THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION OR PERIOD OF USE, THOSE ELEMENTS WILL BE DECREED AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THIS ISSUE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THIS CLAIM.

RESERVOIR RECORD WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND RESERVED RIGHT.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 215232-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUD CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 07/29/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215233-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

**Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601**

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: BIG COULEE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 07/29/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215234-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

**Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601**

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, NORTH FORK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 07/29/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215235-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 306.00 GPM

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 17 GPM PER ACRE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 18.00

Source Name: FLAGSTAFF CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESWSW	8	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion:

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	18.00		N2N2NE	16	9N	10E	MEAGHER
Total:	18.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THIS WATER RIGHT AND LATE CLAIM NO. 40A 215235-00 WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. AN OVERLAPPING OWNERSHIP REMARK NEEDS TO BE ADDED TO THIS WATER RIGHT. WATER RIGHT NUMBERS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REMARK ARE: 40A 197970-00, 40A 197976-00, 40A 215235-00

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

NO PERIOD OF USE HAS BEEN CLAIMED. THE USUAL AND REASONABLE PERIOD OF USE IN THIS AREA IS APRIL 20 TO OCTOBER 15.

POINT OF DIVERSION WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND A RESERVED RIGHT.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 215266-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 1.78 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 47.00

Source Name: NIEL CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWNW	15	11N	17E	FERGUS

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	17.00		SENE	16	11N	17E	FERGUS
2	30.00		N2SE	16	11N	17E	FERGUS
Total:	47.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A-192529-00, 40A-192530-00, 40A-192531-00, 40A-192532-00, 40A-215266-00.

THE FERGUS COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1969) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-4 , DATED 09/25/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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Water Right Number: 40A 215267-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 1.33 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 35.00

Source Name: TIMBER CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNESE	36	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	35.00		SE	36	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
Total:	35.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

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THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-212 , DATED 8/23/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215268-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 3.11 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 83.00

Source Name: CARELESS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNESE	16	10N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Ditch Name: TWO CHANNEL CARELESS DITCH

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	13.00		S2NW	16	10N	18E	WHEATLAND
2	70.00		S2	16	10N	18E	WHEATLAND
Total:	83.00						

Remarks:

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NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

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Water Right Number: 40A 215269-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 1.33 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 35.00

Source Name: LITTLE CARELESS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSESW	9	10N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: STATE LANDS DITCH

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	35.00		W2	16	10N	18E	WHEATLAND
Total:	35.00						

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NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

THE MAXIMUM COMBINED ACRES FOR THIS GROUP OF SUPPLEMENTAL CLAIMS MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION PENDING RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM IRRIGATED ACRES ISSUE.

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Water Right Number: 40A 215270-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

**Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601**

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: CARELESS CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 07/29/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
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BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215271-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 3.00 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 80.00

Source Name: CARELESS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENE	31	8N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Ditch Name: JOHN PIRRIE DITCH
Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	80.00		S2	32	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	80.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 37.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-166 , DATED 9/14/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 66.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

POINT OF DIVERSION WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND A RESERVED RIGHT.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215272-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

***Priority Date:**

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 3.86 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 103.00

Source Name: SWIMMING WOMAN CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENE	9	8N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Ditch Name: JOHN PIRRIE (MID) DITCHES						
2		SESESE	9	8N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Ditch Name: JOHN PIRRIE (LOW) DITCHES						
Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	103.00		E2	16	8N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	103.00						

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA WATER COURT GRANTING A MOTION TO AMEND FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-233(6) MCA: POINT OF DIVERSION. STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 44.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-196 , DATED 9/14/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 71.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND RESERVED RIGHT.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215273-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 1.89 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 50.00

***Source Name:** AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESENW	4	6N	15E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
2		NENESE	33	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	50.00		NW	34	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Total:	50.00						

Remarks:

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THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A 198204-00, 40A 198205-00, 40A 198206-00, 40A 198207-00, 40A 198208-00, 40A 198209-00, 40A 198210-00, 40A 198213-00, 40A 198214-00, 40A 215273-00.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 11.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-130 , DATED 8/23/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 20.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 1 APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN GOVT LOT 6 IN THE NENW SEC 4 TWP 6N RGE 15E WHEATLAND CO.

THE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION FOR POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 2 MAY BE INCORRECT. IT APPEARS THE DIVERSION IS LOCATED IN THE SENESE SEC 33 TWP 7N RGE 15E WHEATLAND CO.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 215274-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

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Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 8.96 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 263.00

***Source Name:** LEBO CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LEBO CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

SOURCE FOR POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 2 ALSO KNOWN AS LEBRIE CREEK OR LABRIE CREEK.

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWSE	16	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Source Name: LEBO CREEK						
Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
2		NWNWNE	20	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LEBO CREEK						
Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
3		NWNWNW	21	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Source Name: LEBO CREEK						
Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						
Diversion Means: HEADGATE						
Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	63.00		S2NW	16	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
2	200.00		S2	16	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Total:	263.00						

Remarks:

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-130 , DATED 8/23/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 2.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

SOURCE NAME AND POINT OF DIVERSION WERE MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

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Water Right Number: 40A 215275-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 5.17 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 138.00

Source Name: AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNE	20	6N	14E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	130.00		NW	16	6N	14E	WHEATLAND
2	8.00		S2S2	16	6N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	138.00						

Remarks:

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CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/96 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A 143297-00, 40A 143298-00, 40A 143299-00, 40A 143300-00, 40A 143301-00, 40A 143302-00, 40A 143303-00, 40A 143304-00, 40A 153305-00, 40A 143306-00, 40A 215275-00.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 5.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO. 178-87 , DATED 08/23/1979 APPEARS TO INDICATE 2.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

POINT OF DIVERSION WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND A RESERVED RIGHT.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 215276-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 5.25 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 140.00

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESE	17	8N	14E	WHEATLAND

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A HEADGATE.

*Reservoir: OFFSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2	16	8N	14E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Surface Area: 31.60 ACRES

Capacity: 150.00 ACRE-FEET

THE SURFACE AREA HAS BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.
SEE THE FIELD INVESTIGATION MEMO DATED 05/16/1991 (RE: 40A 130829-00)
IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	140.00		S2	16	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	140.00						

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

215276-00 215277-00

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CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/96 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A-130838-00, 40A-130842-00, 40A-215276-00, 40A-215277-00.

THE CLAIMANT DID NOT IDENTIFY THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION FOR THIS RIGHT. A PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN ADDED TO MATCH THE PERIOD OF USE. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE RECEIVED TO THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION OR PERIOD OF USE, THOSE ELEMENTS WILL BE DECREED AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THIS ISSUE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THIS CLAIM.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 18.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO. 178-81 , DATED 08/23/1979 APPEARS TO INDICATE 72.60 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

MEANS OF DIVERSION AND RESERVOIR RECORD WERE MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

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NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

THE MAXIMUM COMBINED ACRES FOR THIS GROUP OF SUPPLEMENTAL CLAIMS MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION PENDING RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM IRRIGATED ACRES ISSUE.

NO VOLUME HAS BEEN CLAIMED. THE VOLUME GUIDELINE FOR THIS AREA IS 8.50 ACRE-FEET PER ACRE.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 215277-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 2.27 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

Volume:

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 60.00

***Source Name:** MEXICAN JOHN CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNESE	9	8N	14E	WHEATLAND

***Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

***Reservoir:** OFFSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2	16	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1				
Surface Area:	31.60 ACRES				
Capacity:	150.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE SURFACE AREA HAS BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.
 SEE THE FIELD INVESTIGATION MEMO DATED 05/16/1991 (RE: 40A 130829-00)
 IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	60.00		SE	16	8N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	60.00						

Remarks:

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215276-00 215277-00

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-81 , DATED 8/23/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 48.70 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

RESERVOIR RECORD WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND A RESERVED RIGHT.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

NO VOLUME HAS BEEN CLAIMED. THE VOLUME GUIDELINE FOR THIS AREA IS 8.50 ACRE-FEET PER ACRE.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215292-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/26/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: SPRINKLER

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR.

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

Maximum Acres: 230.00

Source Name: PAINTED ROBE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESESE	9	5N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY

***Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

2		SESENW	10	5N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
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***Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

3		NWNWSW	10	5N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
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***Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN STANDARDIZED BY DNRC FOR THIS CLAIM.

***Reservoir:** ONSTREAM

	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
		NESESE	9	5N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1					
Dam Height:	13.00 FEET					
Depth:	10.00 FEET					
Surface Area:	7.80 ACRES					
Capacity:	31.20 ACRE-FEET					

***Reservoir:** ONSTREAM

	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
		SESENW	10	5N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 2					
Dam Height:	13.00 FEET					
Depth:	10.00 FEET					
Surface Area:	15.30 ACRES					
Capacity:	61.20 ACRE-FEET					

***Reservoir:** ONSTREAM

	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
		NWNWSW	10	5N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 3					
Dam Height:	13.00 FEET					
Depth:	10.00 FEET					
Surface Area:	14.40 ACRES					
Capacity:	57.60 ACRE-FEET					

THE CAPACITIES, DAM HEIGHTS, MAXIMUM DEPTHS, AND SURFACE AREAS HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.
 THE DAM FOR RESERVOIR RECORD NO. 2 EXTENDS INTO THE SWSSEW SEC 10 TWP 5N RGE 22E GOLDEN VALLEY.

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	30.00		W2SE	9	5N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2	200.00		W2	9	5N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	230.00						

Remarks:

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THE GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

POINT OF DIVERSION AND RESERVOIR RECORD WERE MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND A RESERVED RIGHT.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

NO VOLUME HAS BEEN CLAIMED. THE VOLUME GUIDELINE FOR THIS AREA IS 8.50 ACRE-FEET PER ACRE.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215293-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: PAINTED ROBE CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 07/29/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 215501-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 5.62 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 150.00

Source Name: COMB CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	150.00			16	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Total:	150.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE MEAGHER COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1950) APPEARS TO INDICATE 112.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 179-93 , DATED 09/17/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND A RESERVED RIGHT.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 215502-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 1.33 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 35.00

Source Name: LOCO CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	6	NWSW	6	6N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	35.00		W2W2	20	7N	11E	MEAGHER
Total:	35.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A-205659-00, 40A-215502-00.

POINT OF DIVERSION WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND A RESERVED RIGHT.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215504-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 3.68 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.
PRIMARILY A DIRECT FLOW SYSTEM; VOLUME NOT DECREED.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 98.00

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESW	34	8N	10E	MEAGHER

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A HEADGATE.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN STANDARDIZED BY DNRC FOR THIS CLAIM.

Reservoir: OFFSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENESW	34	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	95.00		N2	34	8N	10E	MEAGHER
2	3.00		NENESW	34	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Total:	98.00						

Remarks:

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THE MEAGHER COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1950) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN THE SWNESW SEC 34 TWP 8N RGE 10E MEAGHER COUNTY.

MEANS OF DIVERSION WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215505-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 09/15/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 215506-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

**Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601**

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: COTTONWOOD CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 09/15/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 215507-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: GREEN CANYON

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 07/29/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215585-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 1.02 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 27.00

Source Name: LITTLE ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSENE	12	7N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	27.00		N2NW	8	7N	12E	WHEATLAND
Total:	27.00						

Remarks:

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THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A-207227-00, 40A-207229-00, 40A-207230-00, 40A-207231-00, 40A-215585-00, 40A-215587-00.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215586-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/1996 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 1.14 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 30.00

***Source Name:** BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESE	24	7N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: SANFORD MOORE DITCH (EAST BANK)

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	6.00		SENW	12	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	24.00		NESW	12	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
Total:	30.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/1996 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A 201287-00, 40A 201288-00, 40A 201289-00, 40A 201290-00, 40A 201291-00, 40A 201292-00, 40A 201293-00, 40A 201294-00, 40A 201295-00, 40A 215586-00.

DITCH NAME WAS MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND A RESERVED RIGHT.

NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 215587-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
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HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

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Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** 136.00 GPM

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE. THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 8.00

***Source Name:** LITTLE ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESWNE	5	7N	12E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	8.00		SESE	32	8N	12E	WHEATLAND
Total:	8.00						

Remarks:

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A-207227-00,40A-207229-00,40A-207230-00, 40A-207231-00, 40A-215585-00, 40A-215587-00.

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NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215588-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 07/29/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 215589-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: HAYMAKER CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 07/29/97.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 215590-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 4.20 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 112.00

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SW	12	7N	13E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Ditch Name: MONTGOMERY-FREESER DITCH

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	112.00		N2	36	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
Total:	112.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A-110020-00, 40A-215590-00.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 72.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

POINT OF DIVERSION AND DITCH NAME WERE MODIFIED AS A RESULT OF DNRC REVIEW UNDER MONTANA WATER COURT REEXAMINATION ORDERS. IF NO OBJECTIONS ARE FILED TO THIS CLAIM, THESE ELEMENTS WILL REMAIN AS THEY APPEAR ON THIS ABSTRACT AND THE REMARK WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLAIM.

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NO PRIORITY DATE WAS CLAIMED.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 215591-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** WILLIS COULEE

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENWSE	36	9N	12E	WHEATLAND

***Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENWSE	36	9N	12E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

***Period of Use:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENWSE	36	9N	12E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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Water Right Number: 40A 215592-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 4.87 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 130.00

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWNE	17	8N	12E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	130.00		N2	16	8N	12E	WHEATLAND
Total:	130.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 06/28/96 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 40A-005797-00, 40A-005799-00, 40A-215592-00.

THE WHEATLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1949) APPEARS TO INDICATE 31.00 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 216231-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Late Claim: B

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1965

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 30, 1973

CLAIM FILED LATE 07/02/96 . AS MANDATED BY SECTION 85-2-221(3), MCA, THIS CLAIM IS SUBORDINATE, AND THEREFORE JUNIOR, TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW.

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS ONSTREAM RESERVOIR.

Volume: 300.00 AC-FT

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 232.00

Source Name: CROOKED CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2SE	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DAM

Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: CROOKED CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2SE	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1
 Dam Height: 40.00 FEET
 Surface Area: 18.80 ACRES
 Capacity: 300.00 ACRE-FEET

SEE THE RESERVOIR WORKSHEET IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use: JUNE 1 TO SEPTEMBER 10

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	213.00		N2	4	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	12.00		E2NE	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
3	7.00		W2E2SE	5	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
Total:	232.00						

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 08/28/2000: SOURCE, POINT OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, ACRES IRRIGATED, FLOW RATE, VOLUME, PERIOD OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

CLAIM FILED LATE 07/02/96 . IN ADDITION TO BEING SUBORDINATE TO ALL INDIAN AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS AND ALL VALID TIMELY FILED CLAIMS BASED ON STATE LAW, THIS RIGHT MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATE TO CERTAIN PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS OF WATER. SEE SECTION 85-2-221 MCA.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 216303-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JACQUELINE BRYANT
PO BOX 113
BROADVIEW, MT 59015 0113

MICHAEL R BRYANT
PO BOX 113
BROADVIEW, MT 59015

Priority Date: JUNE 11, 1973

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: SPRINKLER/FLOOD

Flow Rate: 4.00 CFS

***Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 35.00

Source Name: BIG COULEE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWSW	22	6N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Diversion Means: DIVERSION DAM

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		NWNWSE	22	6N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30
Diversion Means: PUMP
Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	30.00		SWNW	22	6N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2	5.00		NWNW	22	6N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	35.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 123808-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 51.3 GPM PER ACRE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30001328 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MARTINSDALE COLONY
PO BOX 152
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1949

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: SPRINKLER/FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.50 CFS

Volume:

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 29.40

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, NORTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWN	NWN	1	8N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: G. L. DITCH

Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	14.40		NESE	5	8N	12E	WHEATLAND
2	0.20		SESESE	5	8N	12E	WHEATLAND
3	0.50		NWNWSW	4	8N	12E	WHEATLAND
4	14.30		S2	4	8N	12E	WHEATLAND
Total:	29.40						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 211302-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 22.9 GPM PER ACRE.

CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985. IN MARCH 2004, IN CASE WC-2002-03, THE WATER COURT DETERMINED THAT THIS CLAIM WAS FILED IN A TIMELY MANNER AND IS NOT A LATE CLAIM.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-16 , DATED 8/23/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 10.80 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE AND CLAIMANTS MAP DO NOT ENTIRELY MATCH. PROBLEMS WITH THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION MAY EXIST.

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COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30002022 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MCFARLAND WHITE RANCH INC
PO BOX 235
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0235

Priority Date: JUNE 15, 1900

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 6.58 CFS

THE STIPULATION FILED ON FEBRUARY 11, 2002 IN CASE 40A-264 INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING PROVISION: THE DIVERTED FLOW OF THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED BELOW MAY BE MARSHALED BETWEEN AND AMONG THE VARIOUS PLACES OF USE AND POINTS OF DIVERSION OF ANY OF THESE RIGHTS SO LONG AS SUCH MARSHALING DOES NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT ANY OTHER WATER RIGHT AND SO LONG AS THESE RIGHTS ARE HELD BY A COMMON OWNER: 40A 110018-00, 40A 110020-00, 40A 110021-00, 40A 110026-00, 40A 211043-00, AND 40A 30002022. IN THE EVENT THAT THE FLOW IN BIG ELK CREEK AND ITS TRIBUTARIES IS INSUFFICIENT TO SATISFY THE WATER RIGHTS HAVING A PRIORITY DATE PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1921, ALL RIGHTS TO MARSHAL WATER RIGHTS SHALL IMMEDIATELY CEASE.

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 381.39

Source Name: BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESWSW	12	7N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 15
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Ditch Name: MONTGOMERY-FREESER DITCH

THE STIPULATION FILED ON FEBRUARY 11, 2002 IN CASE 40A-264 SPECIFIES THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING REMARK: "FOR PURPOSES OF ENFORCING THE BIG ELK DECREE, THE MEANS OF DIVERSION OF ALL PARTIES SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE CARRYING CAPACITY OF THE DITCHES AT THE POINT OF DIVERSION EXISTING AS OF THE DATE OF THIS STIPULATION." A COPY OF EACH PARTY'S STATEMENT HAS BEEN ADDED TO THAT PARTY'S CLAIM FILES.

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	5.11		NENE	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	0.29		NWNE	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
3	37.52		SENE	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
4	11.24		SWNE	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
5	1.55		SENE	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
6	16.62		NESE	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
7	3.39		NWSE	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
8	10.14		SWSE	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
9	7.77		NESW	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
10	11.17		NWSW	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
11	13.53		SESW	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
12	22.84		SWSW	25	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
13	16.87		NENE	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
14	40.11		SENE	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
15	12.25		SWNE	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
16	29.08		NESE	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
17	15.97		NWSE	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
18	10.74		SESE	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
19	28.15		SWSE	35	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
20	12.43		NENW	36	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
21	36.98		NWNW	36	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
22	7.45		SENE	36	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
23	30.19		SWNW	36	8N	13E	WHEATLAND
Total:	381.39						

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

110020-00 110021-00 211043-00 30002022

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 110020-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE FILED ON THE SAME FORMERLY DECREED WATER RIGHT. THE SUM OF THE CLAIMED FLOW RATES EXCEEDS THE 263 MINER'S INCHES DECREED IN CASE NO. 1703 , MEAGHER COUNTY. 40A 211604-00, 40A 30002022.

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30007141 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DIAMOND LEGACY LTD PARTNERSHIP
PO BOX 1908
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 1908

TWO DOT LAND & LIVESTOCK CO
% BOB JONES
PO BOX 673
HARLOWTON, MT 59036

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 25, 1907

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: SPRINKLER/FLOOD

Flow Rate: 2.50 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 1,184.20

Source Name: AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	6		4	6N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: DITCH

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		NWSWSE	14	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						
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3		NWSESE	22	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						
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Period of Diversion: FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						
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Period of Diversion: FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						
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Period of Diversion: FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						
Diversion Means: DITCH						
Period of Use: FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1						

Place of Use:

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7	150.00		SW	14	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
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15	19.00		NWNW	27	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
16	40.00		SENW	27	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
17	35.00		SWNW	27	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
18	22.00		NESW	27	7N	15E	WHEATLAND
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Total:	1,184.20						

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198204-00 198208-00 198209-00 198214-00 30007141 30007142

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30007142 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DIAMOND LEGACY LTD PARTNERSHIP
PO BOX 1908
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 1908

TWO DOT LAND & LIVESTOCK CO
% BOB JONES
PO BOX 673
HARLOWTON, MT 59036

Priority Date: DECEMBER 21, 1908

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: SPRINKLER/FLOOD

Flow Rate: 2.50 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 1,184.20

Source Name: AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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Period of Diversion: FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: DITCH

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CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30023131 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

***Owners:** DARREL DICK
PO BOX 764
HARLOWTON, MT 59036

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1893

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 381.50 GPM

THE WATER RIGHT NOS. FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM COMBINED FLOW RATE OF 10.00 CFS FROM MARCH 1ST TO MARCH 31ST AND FROM OCTOBER 15TH TO OCTOBER 31ST OF EACH YEAR. THE MAXIMUM COMBINED FLOW RATE DURING THE REMAINDER OF THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE IS 40.67 CFS.

40A 19352-00, 40A 19353-00, 40A 20670-00, 40A 20674-00, 40A 20676-00, 40A 20679-00, 40A 20680-00, 40A 20700-00, 40A 22842-00, 40A 192538-00, 40A 192539-00, 40A 203256-00, 40A 203257-00, 40A 203316-00, 40A 30023131, 40A 30023132

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 17.00

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESEW	9	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Diversion Means: DIVERSION DAM

Ditch Name: JENIZEN DITCH

DIVERSIONS UNDER THIS CLAIM ARE LIMITED TO THOSE TIMES AND ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT CONDITIONS ARE SUITABLE FOR BENEFICIAL USE OF THE WATER FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. WATER DIVERTED FROM MARCH 1ST TO MARCH 31ST AND OCTOBER 15TH TO OCTOBER 31ST OF EACH YEAR CANNOT BE STORED OR IMPOUNDED IN RESERVOIRS.

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	17.00		E2NW	23	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Total: 17.00

Remarks:

THE PERIOD OF USE AND PERIOD OF DIVERSION WERE AMENDED BY THE WATER COURT PURSUANT TO SECTION 85-2-233(6), MCA.

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THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 203316-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON MUSSELSHELL RIVER WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 1148 , GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
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Water Right Number: 40A 30023132 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

***Owners:** TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1893

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 202.50 GPM

THE WATER RIGHT NOS. FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM COMBINED FLOW RATE OF 10.00 CFS FROM MARCH 1ST TO MARCH 31ST AND FROM OCTOBER 15TH TO OCTOBER 31ST OF EACH YEAR. THE MAXIMUM COMBINED FLOW RATE DURING THE REMAINDER OF THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE IS 40.67 CFS.

40A 19352-00, 40A 19353-00, 40A 20670-00, 40A 20674-00, 40A 20676-00, 40A 20679-00, 40A 20680-00, 40A 20700-00, 40A 22842-00, 40A 192538-00, 40A 192539-00, 40A 203256-00, 40A 203257-00, 40A 203316-00, 40A 30023131, 40A 30023132

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 9.20

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESESW	9	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO OCTOBER 31
Diversion Means: DIVERSION DAM
Ditch Name: JENIZEN DITCH

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	9.20		NWNW	23	7N	17E	WHEATLAND
Total:	9.20						

Remarks:

THE PERIOD OF USE AND PERIOD OF DIVERSION WERE AMENDED BY THE WATER COURT PURSUANT TO SECTION 85-2-233(6), MCA.

DIVERSIONS UNDER THIS CLAIM ARE LIMITED TO THOSE TIMES AND ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT CONDITIONS ARE SUITABLE FOR BENEFICIAL USE OF THE WATER FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. WATER DIVERTED FROM MARCH 1ST TO MARCH 31ST AND OCTOBER 15TH TO OCTOBER 31ST OF EACH YEAR CANNOT BE STORED OR IMPOUNDED IN RESERVOIRS.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS IMPLIED CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 203316-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 22.0 GPM PER ACRE.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON MUSSELHELL RIVER WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 1148 , GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30043205 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

***Owners:**

MARY E BAIRD
211 W JANEUX ST APT 502
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 3053

DAVID W BAIRD
2908 MT HWY 297
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 8208

PHILIP BAIRD
PO BOX 154
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 0154

Priority Date: MAY 7, 1883

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.00 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 16.00

Source Name: BLAKE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u> <u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	SENW 33	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u> <u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	16.00		NW	4	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
Total:	16.00						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM IS SUBJECT TO A WATER SHARING AGREEMENT FILED FOR RECORD IN WHEATLAND COUNTY ON NOVEMBER 3, 1993 AND RECORDED IN BOOK X MISC. PAGE 3113-3115. SEE CLAIM FILE.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 198294-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 28.05 GPM PER ACRE.

THIS ABSTRACT DOES NOT APPEAR TO REFLECT PRE-1973 WATER USE. RATHER, IT REFLECTS POST-1973 CHANGES THAT WERE MADE TO THE WATER RIGHT. DNRC IS UNABLE TO DETERMINE WHAT THE PRE-1973 POINT OF DIVERISION, ACREAGE, AND PLACE OF USE WERE.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN THE SENENW SEC 33 TWP 11N RGE 17E WHEATLAND COUNTY.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30051815 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:
NANCY W BROKAW
3400 PASS CREEK RD
BELGRADE, MT 59714

FREDERICK W BROKAW III
3400 PASS CREEK RD
BELGRADE, MT 59714

Priority Date: MARCH 18, 1914

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF DIRECT FLOW WATER SPREADING.

Volume: THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	28		8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: OCTOBER 15 TO MAY 15

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: OCTOBER 15 TO MAY 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	28	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

146038-00 146041-00 30051815

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 146038-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30052612 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION
REAL ESTATE SERVICES SECTION
PO BOX 201001
HELENA, MT 59620 1001

Priority Date: MARCH 28, 1904

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.97 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 51.98

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNWNE	15	8N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: MARTINSDALE INLET CANAL

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.96		SW	12	8N	11E	MEAGHER
2	1.02		SE	12	8N	11E	MEAGHER
3	10.00		NW	13	8N	11E	MEAGHER
Total:	51.98						

Remarks:

THE CLAIMANT OWNS A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON THE HISTORICAL PLACE OF USE, RECORDED ON 06/15/2010 IN MEAGHER COUNTY. THE FEE TITLE TO THE HISTORICAL PLACE OF USE REMAINS WITH CARL E. ROSTAD.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 22964-00.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30052613 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION
REAL ESTATE SERVICES SECTION
PO BOX 201001
HELENA, MT 59620 1001

Priority Date: MAY 2, 1901

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.97 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 51.98

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: MARTINSDALE INLET CANAL

Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.96		SW	12	8N	11E	MEAGHER
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3	10.00		NW	13	8N	11E	MEAGHER
Total:	51.98						

Remarks:

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THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 22965-00.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30064417 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: C BAR J RANCH LLC
PO BOX 224
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0224

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 5, 1902

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 12.10 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 283.00

Source Name: AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWNE	28	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: NORTON AND LYONS DITCH

THE DIVERSION THROUGH NORTON & LYONS DITCH DOES AFFECT THE FLOW IN THE MAIN STREAM OF THE AMERICAN FORK CREEK AFTER AUGUST 1 OF EACH YEAR.

THIS RIGHT TO DIVERT WATER THROUGH THE NORTON & LYONS DITCH IS SUBJECT TO THE AMERICAN FORK CREEK DECREE, CAUSE #374, SWEET GRASS CO.

WATER IS DIVERTED FROM AMERICAN FORK CREEK AND DITCHED NORTHEAST ABOUT 1.5 MILES TO LEBO CREEK. LEBO CREEK IS USED AS A NATURAL CARRIER FOR ABOUT 1/4 MILE TO AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BIG ELK CREEK AND FROM THERE TO LEBO LAKE. FROM LEBO LAKE, VARIOUS DITCHES AND NATURAL WATER COURSES, INCLUDING LEBO CREEK, DELIVER THE WATER TO THE PLACES OF USE.

*Reservoir: OFFSTREAM Reservoir Name: LEBO LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	6	6N	14E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

LEBO RESERVOIR CONSISTS OF TWO DAMS LOCATED IN GOVERNMENT LOT 4 NW SEC 06 TWP 06N RGE 14E AND NWNWSW SEC 31 TWP 07N RGE 14E WHEATLAND COUNTY.

THE SURFACE AREA OF LEBO RESERVOIR IS LOCATED: NE SEC 1 TWP 6N RGE 13E NW SEC 6 TWP 6N RGE 14E SE SEC 36 TWP 7N RGE 13E SW SEC 31 TWP 7N RGE 14E

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	16.00		E2E2E2	24	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	40.00		E2E2	25	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
3	3.00		W2W2SE	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
4	144.00		W2	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
5	80.00		NW	30	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	<u>283.00</u>						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 198484-00.

WHENEVER THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE COMBINED TO SUPPLY WATER FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE, EACH IS LIMITED TO THE HISTORICAL FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE. 40A 30064417, 40A 30064418, 40A 30064419, 40A 30064420, 40A 30064421, 40A 30064422, 40A 30064423, 40A 30064426.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

WHEN THIS CLAIM WAS ORIGINALLY DECREED, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS NOT INCLUDED AS AN ELEMENT OF THE CLAIM. IN 2008, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION ELEMENT WAS ADDED TO ALL CLAIM ABSTRACTS. IT IS NOT CERTAIN IF THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION DATES ADDED TO THIS CLAIM ACCURATELY REFLECT THE HISTORICAL PERIOD OF DIVERSION. MORE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30064418 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: C BAR J RANCH LLC
PO BOX 224
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0224

Priority Date: APRIL 15, 1893

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 386.00 GPM

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 283.00

Source Name: LEBO CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESE	22	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Reservoir: OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LEBO LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	6	6N	14E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

THE SURFACE AREA OF LEBO RESERVOIR IS LOCATED: NE SEC 1 TWP 6N RGE 13E NW SEC 6 TWP 6N RGE 14E SE SEC 36 TWP 7N RGE 13E SW SEC 31 TWP 7N RGE 14E
LEBO RESERVOIR CONSISTS OF TWO DAMS LOCATED IN GOVERNMENT LOT 4 NW SEC 06 TWP 06N RGE 14E AND NWNWSW SEC 31 TWP 07N RGE 14E WHEATLAND COUNTY.

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

ID	Acres	Govt Lot	Qtr	Sec	Twp	Rge	County
1	16.00		E2E2E2	24	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	40.00		E2E2	25	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
3	3.00		W2W2SE	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
4	144.00		W2	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
5	80.00		NW	30	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	283.00						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 198485-00.

WHENEVER THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE COMBINED TO SUPPLY WATER FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE, EACH IS LIMITED TO THE HISTORICAL FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE. 40A 30064417, 40A 30064418, 40A 30064419, 40A 30064420, 40A 30064421, 40A 30064422, 40A 30064423, 40A 30064426.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

WHEN THIS CLAIM WAS ORIGINALLY DECREED, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS NOT INCLUDED AS AN ELEMENT OF THE CLAIM. IN 2008, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION ELEMENT WAS ADDED TO ALL CLAIM ABSTRACTS. IT IS NOT CERTAIN IF THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION DATES ADDED TO THIS CLAIM ACCURATELY REFLECT THE HISTORICAL PERIOD OF DIVERSION. MORE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED.

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COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30064419 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: C BAR J RANCH LLC
PO BOX 224
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0224

Priority Date: OCTOBER 24, 1903

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 12.50 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 283.00

Source Name: AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWNE	28	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: NORTON AND LYONS DITCH

THE DIVERSION THROUGH NORTON & LYONS DITCH DOES AFFECT THE FLOW IN THE MAIN STREAM OF THE AMERICAN FORK CREEK AFTER AUGUST 1 OF EACH YEAR.

THIS RIGHT TO DIVERT WATER THROUGH THE NORTON & LYONS DITCH IS SUBJECT TO THE AMERICAN FORK CREEK DECREE, CAUSE #374, SWEET GRASS CO.

WATER IS DIVERTED FROM AMERICAN FORK CREEK AND DITCHED NORTHEAST ABOUT 1.5 MILES TO LEBO CREEK. LEBO CREEK IS USED AS A NATURAL CARRIER FOR ABOUT 1/4 MILE TO AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BIG ELK CREEK AND FROM THERE TO LEBO LAKE. FROM LEBO LAKE, VARIOUS DITCHES AND NATURAL WATER COURSES, INCLUDING LEBO CREEK, DELIVER THE WATER TO THE PLACES OF USE.

Reservoir: OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LEBO LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	6	6N	14E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

LEBO RESERVOIR CONSISTS OF TWO DAMS LOCATED IN GOVERNMENT LOT 4 NW SEC 06 TWP 06N RGE 14E AND NWNWSW SEC 31 TWP 07N RGE 14E WHEATLAND COUNTY.

THE SURFACE AREA OF LEBO RESERVOIR IS LOCATED: NE SEC 1 TWP 6N RGE 13E NW SEC 6 TWP 6N RGE 14E SE SEC 36 TWP 7N RGE 13E SW SEC 31 TWP 7N RGE 14E

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	16.00		E2E2E2	24	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	40.00		E2E2	25	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
3	3.00		W2W2SE	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
4	144.00		W2	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
5	80.00		NW	30	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	<u>283.00</u>						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 198486-00.

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THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 19.8 GPM PER ACRE.

WHEN THIS CLAIM WAS ORIGINALLY DECREED, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS NOT INCLUDED AS AN ELEMENT OF THE CLAIM. IN 2008, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION ELEMENT WAS ADDED TO ALL CLAIM ABSTRACTS. IT IS NOT CERTAIN IF THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION DATES ADDED TO THIS CLAIM ACCURATELY REFLECT THE HISTORICAL PERIOD OF DIVERSION. MORE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON AMERICAN FORK WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 374 , SWEET GRASS COUNTY.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30064420 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: C BAR J RANCH LLC
PO BOX 224
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0224

Priority Date: OCTOBER 24, 1903

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 112.00 GPM

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 283.00

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BIG ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS LITTLE ALKALI CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NEN	SW	5	6N	14E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: NORTON AND LYONS DITCH

2			SWS	SW	34	7N	14E WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWSWSW	35	7N	14E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

4		NESENW	22	6N	13E	WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Reservoir: OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LEBO LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	6	6N	14E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

THE SURFACE AREA OF LEBO RESERVOIR IS LOCATED: NE SEC 1 TWP 6N RGE 13E NW SEC 6 TWP 6N RGE 14E SE SEC 36 TWP 7N RGE 13E SW SEC 31 TWP 7N RGE 14E

LEBO RESERVOIR CONSISTS OF TWO DAMS LOCATED IN GOVERNMENT LOT 4 NW SEC 06 TWP 06N RGE 14E AND NWNWSW SEC 31 TWP 07N RGE 14E WHEATLAND COUNTY.

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	16.00		E2E2E2	24	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	40.00		E2E2	25	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
3	3.00		W2W2SE	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
4	144.00		W2	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
5	80.00		NW	30	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	283.00						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 198484-00.

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THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

AN AMENDMENT WAS SUBMITTED ON 02/13/2017 REQUESTING TO AMEND THE POINT OF DIVERSION. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT PROCESSED. THE AMENDMENT WILL BE REVIEWED AFTER THE ISSUANCE OF THE PRELIMINARY DECREE.

THE TIMELY FILED OBJECTION OF AMERICAN FORK RANCH WAS AMENDED BY AMERICAN FORK RANCH TO INCLUDE SOURCE AND POINT OF DIVERSION. BECAUSE THESE ELEMENTS WERE NOT INCLUDED ON THE OBJECTION LIST, ANY WATER USER WHOSE RIGHTS MAY BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY ENFORCEMENT OF THESE CHANGES MAY PETITION THE APPROPRIATE COURT FOR RELIEF OR MAY FILE AN OBJECTION AT THE PRELIMINARY DECREE.

WHEN THIS CLAIM WAS ORIGINALLY DECREED, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS NOT INCLUDED AS AN ELEMENT OF THE CLAIM. IN 2008, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION ELEMENT WAS ADDED TO ALL CLAIM ABSTRACTS. IT IS NOT CERTAIN IF THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION DATES ADDED TO THIS CLAIM ACCURATELY REFLECT THE HISTORICAL PERIOD OF DIVERSION. MORE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED.

THE POINTS OF DIVERSION AND SOURCE MAY BE INCORRECT. POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 1 DOES NOT APPEAR TO INVOLVE THE NORTON AND LYONS DITCH. THE DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN GOV'T LOT 20 IN THE NW QTR SEC 5 TWP 6N RGE 14E WHEATLAND CO. POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 2 APPEARS TO BE IN THE SESESE SEC 33 TWP 7N RGE 14E WHEATLAND CO. THE HEADGATE FOR POINT OF DIVERISON NO. 3 CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED ON AVAILABLE RESOURCES. POINTS OF DIVERSION NOS. 1 AND 2 APPEAR TO BE LOCATED ON THE CONFLUENCE OF LEBO CREEK AND AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LEBO CREEK. POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 4 APPEARS TO BE LOCATED ON LEBO CREEK.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30064421 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: C BAR J RANCH LLC
PO BOX 224
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0224

Priority Date: APRIL 26, 1919

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 12.10 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 283.00

Source Name: AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWNE	28	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: NORTON AND LYONS DITCH

THE DIVERSION THROUGH NORTON & LYONS DITCH DOES AFFECT THE FLOW IN THE MAIN STREAM OF THE AMERICAN FORK CREEK AFTER AUGUST 1 OF EACH YEAR.

THIS RIGHT TO DIVERT WATER THROUGH THE NORTON & LYONS DITCH IS SUBJECT TO THE AMERICAN FORK CREEK DECREE, CAUSE #374, SWEET GRASS CO.

WATER IS DIVERTED FROM AMERICAN FORK CREEK AND DITCHED NORTHEAST ABOUT 1.5 MILES TO LEBO CREEK. LEBO CREEK IS USED AS A NATURAL CARRIER FOR ABOUT 1/4 MILE TO AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BIG ELK CREEK AND FROM THERE TO LEBO LAKE. FROM LEBO LAKE, VARIOUS DITCHES AND NATURAL WATER COURSES, INCLUDING LEBO CREEK, DELIVER THE WATER TO THE PLACES OF USE.

Reservoir: OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LEBO LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	6	6N	14E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

LEBO RESERVOIR CONSISTS OF TWO DAMS LOCATED IN GOVERNMENT LOT 4 NW SEC 06 TWP 06N RGE 14E AND NWNWSW SEC 31 TWP 07N RGE 14E WHEATLAND COUNTY.

THE SURFACE AREA OF LEBO RESERVOIR IS LOCATED: NE SEC 1 TWP 6N RGE 13E NW SEC 6 TWP 6N RGE 14E SE SEC 36 TWP 7N RGE 13E SW SEC 31 TWP 7N RGE 14E

Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	16.00		E2E2E2	24	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	40.00		E2E2	25	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
3	3.00		W2W2SE	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
4	144.00		W2	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
5	80.00		NW	30	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	<u>283.00</u>						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 198489-00.

WHENEVER THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE COMBINED TO SUPPLY WATER FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE, EACH IS LIMITED TO THE HISTORICAL FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE. 40A 30064417, 40A 30064418, 40A 30064419, 40A 30064420, 40A 30064421, 40A 30064422, 40A 30064423, 40A 30064426.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE EXCEEDS THE 17 GPM PER ACRE GUIDELINE AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA. THE FLOW RATE EQUALS 19.2 GPM PER ACRE.

WHEN THIS CLAIM WAS ORIGINALLY DECREED, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS NOT INCLUDED AS AN ELEMENT OF THE CLAIM. IN 2008, THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION ELEMENT WAS ADDED TO ALL CLAIM ABSTRACTS. IT IS NOT CERTAIN IF THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION DATES ADDED TO THIS CLAIM ACCURATELY REFLECT THE HISTORICAL PERIOD OF DIVERSION. MORE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30064422 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: C BAR J RANCH LLC
PO BOX 224
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0224

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1892

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 180.00 GPM

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 283.00

Source Name: LEBO CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESENW	22	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Reservoir: OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LEBO LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	6	6N	14E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

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Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	16.00		E2E2E2	24	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
2	40.00		E2E2	25	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
3	3.00		W2W2SE	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
4	144.00		W2	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
5	80.00		NW	30	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	283.00						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 198490-00.

WHENEVER THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE COMBINED TO SUPPLY WATER FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE, EACH IS LIMITED TO THE HISTORICAL FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE. 40A 30064417, 40A 30064418, 40A 30064419, 40A 30064420, 40A 30064421, 40A 30064422, 40A 30064423, 40A 30064426.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30064423 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: C BAR J RANCH LLC
PO BOX 224
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0224

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1887

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 162.00 GPM

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 283.00

Source Name: LEBO CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESENW	22	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Reservoir: OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LEBO LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	6	6N	14E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

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Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	16.00		E2E2E2	24	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
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4	144.00		W2	19	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
5	80.00		NW	30	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	283.00						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 198491-00.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30064426 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: C BAR J RANCH LLC
PO BOX 224
TWO DOT, MT 59085 0224

Priority Date: APRIL 2, 1920

Enforceable Priority Date: APRIL 20, 1920

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 12.10 CFS

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 283.00

Source Name: AMERICAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWNE	28	6N	13E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: NORTON AND LYONS DITCH

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Reservoir: OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LEBO LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	6	6N	14E	WHEATLAND

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

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Period of Use: MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

Place of Use:

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1	16.00		E2E2E2	24	7N	13E	WHEATLAND
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5	80.00		NW	30	7N	14E	WHEATLAND
Total:	<u>283.00</u>						

Remarks:

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THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 198484-00.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30066095 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GEORGE L STELMACH
PO BOX 124
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0124

DEBRA J STELMACH
PO BOX 124
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0124

Priority Date: DECEMBER 20, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

Volume: THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ANTELOPE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2SE	11	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2SE	11	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 123682-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30066096 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: KIMBERLY C MISNER
PO BOX 731
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0731

EVERETT MISNER
PO BOX 731
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0731

Priority Date: DECEMBER 20, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

Volume: THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ANTELOPE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESE	11	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESE	11	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 123682-00.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30066097 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MELISSA M TUDOR
PO BOX 128
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0128

DANIEL A TUDOR
PO BOX 128
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0128

Priority Date: DECEMBER 20, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

Volume: THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ANTELOPE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESE	11	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESE	11	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

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THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 123682-00.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30067537 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LAZY KK LAND & CATTLE CO
136 MOUNT PLEASANT
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 16, 1891

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BIG COULEE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS SPRING TRIBUTARY

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SENE	20	9N	14E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	SENE	20	9N	14E WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30067538 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LAZY KK LAND & CATTLE CO
136 MOUNT PLEASANT
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 16, 1891

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Name: BIG COULEE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	20		9N	14E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	20	9N	14E	WHEATLAND

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30069961 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BERNHARDT, WILLIAM J & GLADYS L REVOCABLE TRUST
3450 CLEARWATER DR
BILLINGS, MT 59101 8010

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 25.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENWSW	14	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SEN	SW 14	7N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			SWN	SW 14	7N	17E	WHEATLAND
3			SWN	SW 14	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30069962 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BERNHARDT, WILLIAM J & GLADYS L REVOCABLE TRUST
3450 CLEARWATER DR
BILLINGS, MT 59101 8010

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 25.00 GPM

Volume: 9.00 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 3.00

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS NORTH HOUSE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SEN	14	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	3.00		S2N	14	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Total: 3.00

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30069963 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BERNHARDT, WILLIAM J & GLADYS L REVOCABLE TRUST
3450 CLEARWATER DR
BILLINGS, MT 59101 8010

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 25.00 GPM

Volume: 6.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 2.00

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS SOUTH HOUSE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SEN	14	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2.00		SEN	14	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Total: 2.00

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30070688 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: REIN ANCHOR RANCH PARTNERSHIP
198 REIN LANE
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 7744

Priority Date: JULY 1, 1946

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 3.50 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BLACKABY CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESWNE	28	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS

Period of Diversion: JUNE 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Diversion Means: SPRING BOX

Period of Use: JUNE 1 TO OCTOBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESWNE	28	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30070693 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: REIN ANCHOR RANCH PARTNERSHIP
198 REIN LANE
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011 7744

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 30, 1907

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: BLACKABY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

THE SOURCE INCLUDES UNNAMED TRIBUTARIES OF BLACKABY CREEK.

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNE	22	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS

Period of Diversion: MAY 15 TO OCTOBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		E2SW	22	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS
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Period of Diversion: MAY 15 TO OCTOBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		W2	27	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS
Period of Diversion: MAY 15 TO OCTOBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		S2	33	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS
Period of Diversion: MAY 15 TO OCTOBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		N2	34	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS
Period of Diversion: MAY 15 TO OCTOBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: MAY 15 TO OCTOBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNE	22	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS
2			E2SW	22	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS
3			W2	27	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS
4			S2	33	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS
5			N2	34	5N	12E	SWEET GRASS

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Water Right Number: 40A 30072011 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: ROCKING CB RANCH LLC
% MCKNIGHT, CLAIRE S
51 DEEP CREEK BENCH RD
LIVINGSTON, MT 59047 9112

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 18, 1905

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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1		N2	9	6N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2	9	6N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 109106-00.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30102850 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: THEODORE G JONES
7221 US HWY 12 E
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8716

STEPHANIE E JONES
7221 US HWY 12 E
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8716

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1944

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, NORTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNENW	29	9N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

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2		NWNW	29	9N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

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1			SWNENW	29	9N	11E	MEAGHER
2			NWNW	29	9N	11E	MEAGHER

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Water Right Number: 40A 30102853 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

STEPHANIE E JONES
7221 US HWY 12 E
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8716

THEODORE G JONES
7221 US HWY 12 E
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8716

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1944

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

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Source Name: MUD CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30103837 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: ALEXANDRA V SPIZZIRI
PO BOX 50
RYEGATE, MT 59074 0050

JOHN A SPIZZIRI SR
PO BOX 50
RYEGATE, MT 59074 0050

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1926

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 84.82 GPM

Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

Maximum Acres: 5.00

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENWSE	2		6N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: SIMMS DITCH

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	3.00		NWNWSE	5	6N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2	2.00		NENESW	5	6N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	5.00						

Remarks:

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 197964-00.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30103929 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DOUGLAS A ROSS
PO BOX 64
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453

Priority Date: APRIL 15, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** GALLOWAY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WEST GALLOWAY CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			9	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1				9	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 09/17/2015. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30103931 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DOUGLAS A ROSS
PO BOX 64
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453

Priority Date: APRIL 15, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: GALLOWAY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	10	10N	17E	WHEATLAND	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SESESW	10	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWSE	10	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4			15	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	10	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			SESESW	10	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
3			NWSE	10	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
4				15	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/06/2016: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 09/17/2015. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30103932 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DOUGLAS A ROSS
PO BOX 64
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453

Priority Date: APRIL 15, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: BLAKE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2	8	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2			17	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2	8	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
2				17	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30104372 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BERNHARDT, WILLIAM J & GLADYS L REVOCABLE TRUST
3450 CLEARWATER DR
BILLINGS, MT 59101 8010

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENENW	24	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SWNWNE	24	7N	17E	WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	NENW	24	7N	17E WHEATLAND
2			SW	NWNE	24	7N	17E WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 10/29/2015. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30104420 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: ROBERT E LEE
395 KURNS LN
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 8810

KATHLEEN K LEE
395 KURNS LN
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 8810

Priority Date: JUNE 22, 1961

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS LUCAS-TIMBER CREEK SOUTH END WELL

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESESW	12	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	SESW	12	10N	17E WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 11/03/2015. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30104440 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Owners: ROBERT E LEE
395 KURNS LN
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 8810

KATHLEEN K LEE
395 KURNS LN
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 8810

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30104483 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Owners: BERG RANCH CO
60 BERG RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use):

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 01/23/2017.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30104485 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BERG RANCH CO
60 BERG RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

***Priority Date:** JANUARY 31, 1915

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

Volume: 1.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2SESW	29	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2SESW	29	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 11/30/2015: FLOW RATE, VOLUME.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 11/16/2015. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30104487 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BERG RANCH CO
60 BERG RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

***Priority Date:** MAY 31, 1902

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 30.00 GPM

Volume: 3.00 AC-FT

Households: 2

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSE	29	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSE	29	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 11/30/2015: FLOW RATE, VOLUME.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30104719 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: ROY E RUSSELL
PO BOX 240
DAYTON, WA 99328 0240

PAMELA DENE RUSSELL
PO BOX 240
DAYTON, WA 99328 0240

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1952

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 5.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWNE	34	6N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWNE	34	6N	25E	MUSSELSHELL

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 12/10/2015. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30105236 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: ALKALI CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2	SENE	7	9N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SWSWNW		8	9N	11E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SWSE	8	9N	11E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SW	8	9N	11E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		E2	17	9N	11E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		W2NE	20	9N	11E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		N2S2	20	9N	11E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2SENE	7	9N	11E	MEAGHER
2			SWSWNW	8	9N	11E	MEAGHER
3			SWSE	8	9N	11E	MEAGHER
4			SW	8	9N	11E	MEAGHER
5			E2	17	9N	11E	MEAGHER
6			W2NE	20	9N	11E	MEAGHER
7			N2S2	20	9N	11E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30105237 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: MUD CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

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1		NE	20	9N	11E	MEAGHER	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NWSE	20	9N	11E	MEAGHER	
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	20	9N	11E	MEAGHER
2			NWSE	20	9N	11E	MEAGHER
3			NWNWNW	21	9N	11E	MEAGHER
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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30105239 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2	3	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		E2NWNE	10	9N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		E2SW	10	9N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SENESE	33	10N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SESE	33	10N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SWSW	34	10N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	3	9N	10E	MEAGHER
2			E2NWN	10	9N	10E	MEAGHER
3			E2SW	10	9N	10E	MEAGHER
4			SENESE	33	10N	10E	MEAGHER
5			SESE	33	10N	10E	MEAGHER
6			SWSW	34	10N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/28/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30105240 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: GREEN CANYON

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2S2N2	35	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		N2N2S2	35	9N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2S2N2	35	9N	10E	MEAGHER
2			N2N2S2	35	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/28/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30105241 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, NORTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2NE	1	9N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		N2SE	1	9N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		S2	6	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		E2NE	7	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		S2N2	8	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		S2	9	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		S2SW	10	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		SWSWSE	13	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		SW	13	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		S2NE	14	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		N2SE	14	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
12		NE	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		E2NW	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
14		E2NE	24	9N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
15		S2S2NW	19	9N	11E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
16		S2	19	9N	11E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
17		N2SENW	29	9N	11E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
18		N2NE	30	9N	11E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
19		NENW	30	9N	11E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2NE	1	9N	9E	MEAGHER
2			N2SE	1	9N	9E	MEAGHER
3			S2	6	9N	10E	MEAGHER
4			E2NE	7	9N	10E	MEAGHER
5			S2N2	8	9N	10E	MEAGHER
6			S2	9	9N	10E	MEAGHER
7			S2SW	10	9N	10E	MEAGHER
8			SWSWSE	13	9N	10E	MEAGHER
9			SW	13	9N	10E	MEAGHER
10			S2NE	14	9N	10E	MEAGHER
11			N2SE	14	9N	10E	MEAGHER
12			NE	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER
13			E2NW	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER
14			E2NE	24	9N	10E	MEAGHER
15			S2S2NW	19	9N	11E	MEAGHER
16			S2	19	9N	11E	MEAGHER
17			N2SENW	29	9N	11E	MEAGHER
18			N2NE	30	9N	11E	MEAGHER
19			NENW	30	9N	11E	MEAGHER

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105243 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Name: COOPER CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2N	WSE 15	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SE	SESW 15	9N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2NWSE	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER
2			SESESW	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30105245 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Name: WHETSTONE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWNW	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SW	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NE	21	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWNW	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER
2			SW	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER
3			NE	21	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105246 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: TRAIL CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESWSE	7	10N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NENESW	7	10N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		E2SE	8	10N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		E2SW	8	10N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		E2W2	19	10N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		E2NW	30	10N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		NESW	30	10N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		NESESW	30	10N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
	Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	7	10N	10E	MEAGHER
2			NE	7	10N	10E	MEAGHER
3			E2SE	8	10N	10E	MEAGHER
4			E2SW	8	10N	10E	MEAGHER
5			E2W2	19	10N	10E	MEAGHER
6			E2NW	30	10N	10E	MEAGHER
7			NESW	30	10N	10E	MEAGHER
8			NESESW	30	10N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/28/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105247 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, NORTH FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESENE	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESENE	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105249 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: FLAGSTAFF CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2	13	9N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SW	13	9N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		S2S2	7	9N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		S2	8	9N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NWNWNW	18	9N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2	13	9N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SW	13	9N	9E	MEAGHER
3			S2S2	7	9N	10E	MEAGHER
4			S2	8	9N	10E	MEAGHER
5			NWNWNW	18	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105250 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: BROOKS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2W2SW	1	9N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NESE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		S2SE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		E2	10	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NWNWNE	11	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NW	11	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2W2SW	1	9N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NESE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
3			S2SE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
4			E2	10	9N	9E	MEAGHER
5			NWNWNE	11	9N	9E	MEAGHER
6			NW	11	9N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105251 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: STOHR CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2SW	3	9N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2SW	3	9N	9E	MEAGHER

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BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105252 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: CHECKERBOARD CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SW	SE	2	9N	9E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2	SW	2	9N	9E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SESESWNE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SWSWSENW	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SWNW	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NENWSE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		SEWSE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NWSWNWSE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		NENESW	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		N2NWNESW	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		NENESENE	3	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		N2SWNE	3	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSESENE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
2			S2SWSENE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
3			SESESWNE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
4			SWSWSENW	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
5			SWNW	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
6			NENWSE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
7			SEWSE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
8			NWSWNWSE	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
9			NENESW	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
10			N2NWNESW	2	9N	9E	MEAGHER
11			NENESENE	3	9N	9E	MEAGHER

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
12			N2SWNE	3	9N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105253 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CHECKERBOARD CATTLE COMPANY LLC
315 GROVELAND ST
ORLANDO, FL 32804 4052

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1948

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: SOURDOUGH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2SE	11	9N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SESEW	11	9N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NE	12	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		E2NW	12	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SW	12	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NWNW	14	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		N2NE	15	9N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		SESESE	1	9N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2SE	11	9N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SESESW	11	9N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NE	12	9N	9E	MEAGHER
4			E2NW	12	9N	9E	MEAGHER
5			SW	12	9N	9E	MEAGHER
6			NWNW	14	9N	9E	MEAGHER
7			N2NE	15	9N	9E	MEAGHER
8			SESESE	1	9N	10E	MEAGHER

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30105673 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: WEGNER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 54
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0054

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 25.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESENE	5	7N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESENE	5	7N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30105674 STATEMENT OF CLAIM
Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT
Status: ACTIVE

Owners: WEGNER FAMILY TRUST
WEGNER EARL B & EMMA J TRUSTEES
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0054

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1959

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 5.00 GPM

Volume: 2.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 1.00

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENW	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNENW	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30105699 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CASTLE MOUNTAIN RANCH INC
PO BOX 409
WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, MT 59645 0409

Priority Date: MARCH 21, 1905

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HALL CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS HALL CREEK SPRING.

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSESE	11	9N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSESE	11	9N	8E	MEAGHER

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30105700 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CASTLE MOUNTAIN RANCH INC
PO BOX 409
WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, MT 59645 0409

Priority Date: MARCH 21, 1905

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

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Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HALL CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS BOUNDARY SPRING

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENESE	11	9N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENESE	11	9N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 05/04/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105819 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BALLARD RANCH INC
PO BOX 73
LAVINA, MT 59046 0073

Priority Date: AUGUST 1, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: PAINTED ROBE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	15	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2	15	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	15	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			S2	15	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 03/04/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30105820 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BALLARD RANCH INC
PO BOX 73
LAVINA, MT 59046 0073

Priority Date: AUGUST 1, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2S2NE	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NW	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NW	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		N2N2SE	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		S2NE	9	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SESENW	9	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		N2SE	9	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NWNENW	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		NENWNW	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		NE	15	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2S2NE	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			NW	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3			NW	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
4			N2N2SE	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
5			S2NE	9	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
6			SESENW	9	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
7			N2SE	9	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
8			NWNENW	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
9			NENWNW	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
10			NE	15	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2016: TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 03/04/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105822 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BALLARD RANCH INC
PO BOX 73
LAVINA, MT 59046 0073

Priority Date: AUGUST 1, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2	W2SE	13	6N	23E GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		W2		13	6N	23E GOLDEN VALLEY
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		W2NWNE	24	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		W2	24	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		W2W2	25	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		E2NESE	26	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		W2W2SE	26	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use:		JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31				

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2W2SE	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			W2	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3			W2NWNE	24	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
4			W2	24	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
5			W2W2	25	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
6			E2NESE	26	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
7			W2W2SE	26	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE POINT OF DIVERSION WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/01/2016.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105823 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BALLARD RANCH INC
PO BOX 73
LAVINA, MT 59046 0073

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1949

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESW	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESW	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30105825 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BALLARD RANCH INC
PO BOX 73
LAVINA, MT 59046 0073

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1969

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWSW	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A PUMP.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSWSW	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105826 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BALLARD RANCH INC
PO BOX 73
LAVINA, MT 59046 0073

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1969

Enforceable Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1961

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

Volume: 4.00 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 1.00

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWSW	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.00		NWSWSW	8	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Total: 1.00

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Water Right Number: 40A 30105827 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DONNA K BLATTER
424 RAMAGE RD
RYEGATE, MT 59074 9745

Priority Date: AUGUST 19, 1961

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 5.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESWNE	2	5N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A PUMP.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Water Right Number: 40A 30105876 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: 5 SEAS RANCH LLC
PO BOX 285
DITTMER, MO 63023 0285

Priority Date: AUGUST 24, 1883

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: TIMBER CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNE	1	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NWNESW	1	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNE	1	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			NWNESW	1	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106004 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

RONALD A BRIGGS
2669 GARNEILL RD
GARNEILL, MT 59453 7003

STEPHEN C BRIGGS
2669 GARNEILL RD
GARNEILL, MT 59453 7003

SUSAN M BRIGGS
2669 GARNEILL RD
GARNEILL, MT 59453 7003

JENNIFER S BRIGGS
2669 GARNEILL RD
GARNEILL, MT 59453 7003

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1945

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: ROBERTS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

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1		NW	25	11N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		SE	26	11N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		SE	26	11N	16E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

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1			NW	25	11N	16E	WHEATLAND
2			SE	26	11N	16E	WHEATLAND
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Water Right Number: 40A 30106007 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RMJ INDRELAND TRUST
INDRELAND, RICHARD L/MARY J CO-TRUSTEES
8 SPRING CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: JULY 1, 1921

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

Volume: 2.21 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 3.00

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, NORTH FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESENE	15	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2SWNW	14	9N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2016: TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 08/10/2016: FLOW RATE, VOLUME.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106008 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RMJ INDRELAND TRUST
INDRELAND, RICHARD L/MARY J CO-TRUSTEES
8 SPRING CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: FEBRUARY 26, 1908

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 4.00 GPM

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Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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1		NESENE	28	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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1			NESENE	28	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106009 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RMJ INDRELAND TRUST
INDRELAND, RICHARD L/MARY J CO-TRUSTEES
8 SPRING CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: FEBRUARY 26, 1908

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 4.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWNW	28	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENWNW	28	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 04/24/2017: POINT OF DIVERISON, PLACE OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 03/22/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106090 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: DECEMBER 20, 1892

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: NIEL CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2	SENE	16	11N	17E FERGUS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		E2	NESE	16	11N	17E FERGUS
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2	SENE	16	11N	17E FERGUS
2			E2	NESE	16	11N	17E FERGUS

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/12/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106091 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF POLE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N2	36	11N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2	36	11N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106092 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: DRY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2S	SW	16	10N	23E MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2SWSW	16	10N	23E	MUSSELSHELL

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106093 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: LITTLE CARELESS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNW	16	10N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNW	16	10N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106094 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBERTS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2	16	10N	15E	WHEATLAND	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	16	10N	15E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106095 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: AUGUST 13, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUD CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SE	4	9N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2				9	9N	11E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	SE	4	9N	11E MEAGHER
2					9	9N	11E MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/12/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106098 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: APRIL 14, 1913

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: TWIN COULEE

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2NE	16		9N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2NE	16	9N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106100 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF POLE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N2N2	16	9N	23E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		E2SENE	16	9N	23E	MUSSELSHELL
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Flow Rate: 0.00

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2N2	16	9N	23E	MUSSELSHELL
2			E2SENE	16	9N	23E	MUSSELSHELL

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106103 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF CARELESS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2	SWSE	36	8N	18E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		W2		36	8N	18E WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2SWSE	36	8N	18E	WHEATLAND
2			W2	36	8N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106104 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: APRIL 21, 1902

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNE	24	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		W2SE	24	8N	15E	WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNE	24	8N	15E	WHEATLAND
2			W2SE	24	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106105 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1880

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: MEXICAN JOHN CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENE	16	8N	14E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENE	16	8N	14E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106106 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 4, 1919

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			16	8N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1				16	8N	11E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/12/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30106107 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: JUNE 18, 1920

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: ROBINSON CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	18	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		E2	18	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENW	18	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			E2NESW	18	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/12/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106111 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: JUNE 8, 1923

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, DRY FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2N2NW	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2N2NW	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106113 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: MARCH 27, 1908

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: THOMAS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	8	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2				16	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	8	8N	10E	MEAGHER
2				16	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106115 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: AUGUST 13, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LITTLE ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	2	7N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2SESW		2	7N	11E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1				SE	2	7N	11E MEAGHER
2			S2	SESW	2	7N	11E MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30106125 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 4, 1919

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: COTTONWOOD CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2SENW	6	7N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	SENW	6	7N	11E MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30106126 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: AUGUST 13, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: LOST HORSE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			20	7N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NW	28	7N	11E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1				20	7N	11E	MEAGHER
2			NW	28	7N	11E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/12/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30106127 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: AUGUST 13, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: LITTLE ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2NE	34	7N	11E	MEAGHER	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2NE	34	7N	11E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30106130 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MILLER CREEK, WEST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNW	36	7N	11E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNW	36	7N	11E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106134 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MILLER CREEK, EAST FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2E2	36	7N	11E	MEAGHER	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2E2	36	7N	11E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106136 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: MAY 10, 1920

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LITTLE ELK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	4		7N	12E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	4	7N	12E	WHEATLAND

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106138 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: AUGUST 6, 1912

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MILTON CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	22	7N	14E	WHEATLAND	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	22	7N	14E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30106141 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2	36	7N	18E	WHEATLAND	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2	36	7N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106142 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: FEBRUARY 15, 1901

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2	28		7N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2	28	7N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106145 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: APRIL 21, 1906

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: NINEMILE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2	16	7N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	16	7N	21E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106147 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: STANLEY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N2	16		7N	24E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2	16	7N	24E	MUSSELSHELL

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106149 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2	NWNE	16	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		W2		16	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	NWNE 16	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS
2			W2	16	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106151 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 8, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: SPRING CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2	16	5N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		N2	22	5N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NESE	22	5N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2	16	5N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			N2	22	5N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3			NESE	22	5N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106152 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 8, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2SW	34	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2SW	34	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106153 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SE	SE	36	6N	17E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESESE	36	6N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106154 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: AUGUST 6, 1912

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** PORCUPINE SPRING CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSE	10	5N	13E	SWEET GRASS	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSE	10	5N	13E	SWEET GRASS

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106156 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SIMMONS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2W2	36	5N	17E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2W2	36	5N	17E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106158 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 27, 1909

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GOOSENECK CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	6	4N	22E	STILLWATER	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	6	4N	22E	STILLWATER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106159 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SIMMONS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2	16	4N	17E	SWEET GRASS	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	16	4N	17E	SWEET GRASS

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30106161 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: SIXSHOOTER CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N2S2	16	3N	18E	SWEET GRASS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2S2	16	3N	18E	SWEET GRASS

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106419 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LUANN ROHRER
2568 MT HWY 297
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 8119

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1920

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 4.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GALLOWAY CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2SWNE	25	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2SWNE	25	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 05/04/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30106605 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CASTLE MOUNTAIN RANCH INC
PO BOX 409
WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, MT 59645 0409

Priority Date: MARCH 21, 1905

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: HALL CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	11		9N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	11	9N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107007 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

BROCK E BILDEN
PO BOX 2
LAVINA, MT 59046 0002

CAROLYN R BILDEN
PO BOX 2
LAVINA, MT 59046 0002

DAN A BILDEN
345 MAIN ST
LAVINA, MT 59046 7106

OWNER DAN A BILDEN RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1928

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 2.16 CFS

THE WATER RIGHT NUMBERS 40A 110249-00 AND 40A 30107007 SHARE A FLOW RATE OF 2.16 CFS. THE WATER RIGHT WILL BE OPERATED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: AS AGREED UPON BY THE PARTIES.

Volume: 78.76 AC-FT

Climatic Area: 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

Maximum Acres: 22.00

Source Name: BIG COULEE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWNW	14	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	12.00		S2SWSW	11	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2	10.00		W2NESW	11	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	22.00						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 5/7/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 110249-00.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107008 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

DAN A BILDEN
345 MAIN ST
LAVINA, MT 59046 7106

BROCK E BILDEN
PO BOX 2
LAVINA, MT 59046 0002

CAROLYN R BILDEN
PO BOX 2
LAVINA, MT 59046 0002

OWNER DAN A BILEN RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1890

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Flow Rate: 1.75 CFS

THE WATER RIGHT NUMBERS 40A 110251-00 AND 40A 40A 30107008 SHARE A FLOW RATE OF 1.75 CFS. THE WATER RIGHT WILL BE OPERATED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: AS AGREED UPON BY THE PARTIES.

Volume: 35.80 AC-FT

Maximum Acres: 10.00

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWSW	5	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31
Diversion Means: HEADGATE
Period of Use: APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	10.00		NW	11	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	10.00						

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 5/7/2016.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 110251-00.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107009 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

CAROLYN R BILDEN
PO BOX 2
LAVINA, MT 59046 0002

BROCK E BILDEN
PO BOX 2
LAVINA, MT 59046 0002

DAN A BILDEN
345 MAIN ST
LAVINA, MT 59046 7106

OWNER DAN A BILEN RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 17, 1892

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2	11	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	11	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 5/7/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 110253-00.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107010 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- REEXAMINED

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

BROCK E BILDEN
PO BOX 2
LAVINA, MT 59046 0002

DAN A BILDEN
345 MAIN ST
LAVINA, MT 59046 7106

CAROLYN R BILDEN
PO BOX 2
LAVINA, MT 59046 0002

OWNER DAN A BILEN RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

Priority Date: AUGUST 19, 1934

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: BIG COULEE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2	11	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		E2E2NE	15	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		S2	15	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		N2N2	22	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2	11	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			E2E2NE	15	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3			S2	15	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY
4			N2N2	22	6N	22E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 5/7/1985.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 40A 110254-00.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107164 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 11, 1926

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SENE	13	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	SENE	13	9N	19E GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 06/07/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107165 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JUNE 11, 1955

Type of Historical Right: USE

***Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 16.00 GPM

Volume: 4.00 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 1.00

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWSW	17	8N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.00		NEN	SW 17	8N	18E	WHEATLAND
Total:	1.00						

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107166 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JUNE 11, 1955

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 16.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNE	25	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWNE	25	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107167 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1959

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 14.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWNW	30	8N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SEN	SW	13	8N	17E WHEATLAND
2			SEN	SE	18	8N	18E WHEATLAND
3			SWN	WE	19	8N	18E WHEATLAND
4			SWS	WNW	20	8N	18E WHEATLAND
5			SWN	WNE	30	8N	18E WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107168 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JUNE 3, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SE	SE	13	8N	17E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNWSE	13	8N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			SENWSE	18	8N	18E	WHEATLAND
3			SWNESW	19	8N	18E	WHEATLAND
4			SWSWNW	20	8N	18E	WHEATLAND
5			SWNWNE	30	8N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107169 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 11, 1955

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 11.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DEADMANS BASIN SUPPLY

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENW	35	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNENW	35	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107170 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JUNE 1, 1908

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

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***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF CARELESS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENESE	25	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENESE	25	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107171 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 6, 1908

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

Volume: 4.00 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 1.50

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SW	6	7N	18E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.50		SES	SW	6	7N	18E WHEATLAND
Total:	1.50						

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107172 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 5, 1910

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 14.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	SENW	6	7N	18E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NW	SENW	6	7N	18E WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 09/01/2016: MEANS OF DIVERSION.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107173 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1930

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

Volume: 5.00 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 1.50

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWSW	18	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.50		NWN	SW 18	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Total:	1.50						

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107174 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1930

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWN	SW	18	9N	20E GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWN	SW 18	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107175 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 4, 1955

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

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Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWSW	7	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NW	SESE	7	9N	20E GOLDEN VALLEY
2			NW	SWSW	7	9N	20E GOLDEN VALLEY
3			NW	NWSW	8	9N	20E GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107176 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT
Status: WITHDRAWN**

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ELK CREEK

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 12/08/2016.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107177 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JUNE 3, 1911

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 22.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ELK CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNWNE	3	9N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNWNE	3	9N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107178 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 6, 1904

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 19.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ELK CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNWNW	2	9N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNWNW	2	9N	17E	WHEATLAND

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107179 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 6, 1904

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 24.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ELK CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWSE	26	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWSE	26	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107180 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 11, 1926

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF TIMBER CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWN	SW	27	10N	17E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWN	SW	27	10N	17E WHEATLAND

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107181 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: TIMBER CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			27	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		NWNWNW	34	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1				27	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			NWNWNW	34	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 09/01/2016: FLOW RATE.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107182 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 6, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2SWSE	26	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2SWSE	26	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			NWNESW	35	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107183 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 12, 1946

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 21.00 GPM

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***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ELK CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESWNE	34	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107184 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 9, 1946

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 25.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ELK CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	ENW	34	10N	17E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	34	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107185 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JUNE 7, 2016

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MERRILLS SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2SWNW	8	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		E2SW	8	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		E2NW	17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SE	17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2SWNW	8	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			E2SW	8	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3			E2NW	17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
4			SE	17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 09/01/2016: FLOW RATE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 06/07/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107186 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1880

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** MERRILLS SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSE	8	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		E2W2	8	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		E2E2	17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		NWNE	17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NENENE	20	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSE	8	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			E2W2	8	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3			E2E2	17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
4			NWNE	17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
5			NENENE	20	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107187 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1934

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 25.00 GPM

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***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MERRILLS SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWN	WSW	17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWN	SW 17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107188 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1930

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MERRILLS SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SEN	WNW	17	9N	20E GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SEN	WNW 17	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107189 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 5, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

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***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MERRILLS SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

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1			NENENE	18	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENE	18	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107190 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1926

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MERRILLS SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SE	SW	8	9N	20E GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESESW	8	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107191 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 9, 1910

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 8.00 GPM

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Source Type: GROUNDWATER

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1		SENESE	7	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107192 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1951

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

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1		SE	SE	SE	11	9N	19E GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESESE	11	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			SESWSW	12	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3			SESENW	13	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
4			SESENW	14	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107193 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 5, 1920

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

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Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

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1		SW	SE	SW	18	9N	20E GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSESW	18	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			SWSWSE	19	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3			NESENW	20	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY
4			SESENW	30	9N	20E	GOLDEN VALLEY

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107194 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

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Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NEN	WSW	17	8N	18E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NEN	SW 17	8N	18E	WHEATLAND

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107195 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 2, 1908

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2NE	35	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107196 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1908

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2E2	35	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		E2W2	35	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2E2	35	8N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			E2W2	35	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/01/2016: FLOW RATE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 06/07/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/2016.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107197 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 6, 1953

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWN	NW	26	8N	17E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWNW	26	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107198 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JANUARY 1, 1910

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWSW	27	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSWSW	27	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107199 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 7, 1912

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 18.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESW	34	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENESW	34	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107200 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 7, 1912

Type of Historical Right: USE

***Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 18.00 GPM

Volume: 5.00 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 1.50

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESW	34	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.50		NENESW	34	8N	17E	WHEATLAND
Total:	1.50						

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107201 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 5, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 23.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESW	34	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENESW	34	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107202 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 5, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 23.00 GPM

Volume: 7.00 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 2.50

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENSW	34	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENESW	34	8N	17E	WHEATLAND

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107203 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: JUNE 3, 1900

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DEADMANS BASIN SUPPLY

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SE	7	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESESE	7	7N	18E	WHEATLAND

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107204 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 6, 1908

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 15.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SW	SE	6	7N	18E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SW	6	7N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 08/23/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107268 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: SANDRA L DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

DANIEL G DEBUFF
PO BOX 77
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0077

Priority Date: APRIL 9, 1958

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SEN	WSW	19	10N	17E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SEN	WSW 19	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107270 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: PATRICK RILEY
201 CANYON RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

LINDA RILEY
201 CANYON RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2SW	12	6N	23E	MUSSELSHELL

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		W2NWNW	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2SW	12	6N	23E	MUSSELSHELL
2			W2NWNW	13	6N	23E	GOLDEN VALLEY

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107439 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

***Priority Date:** JULY 7, 2016

THE PRIORITY DATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN CHANGED TO THE FILING DATE OF THE STATEMENT OF CLAIM. THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

THIS IS AN EXISTING RIGHT. ITS POST-1973 PRIORITY DATE IS DECREED PURSUANT TO SECTION 85-2-306(4) MCA.

***Type of Historical Right:** FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	4	NESWSW	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

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1		10	SENE	6	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
2			NENWSE	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND
3			NWNWSE	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND
4		4	NWSWSW	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND
5			SWSWSW	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND
6		1	NENWNW	31	7N	18E	WHEATLAND
7		1	SWNWNW	31	7N	18E	WHEATLAND
8			SWNESW	31	7N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107442 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

***Priority Date:** JULY 7, 2016

THE PRIORITY DATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN CHANGED TO THE FILING DATE OF THE STATEMENT OF CLAIM. THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

THIS IS AN EXISTING RIGHT. ITS POST-1973 PRIORITY DATE IS DECREED PURSUANT TO SECTION 85-2-306(4) MCA.

***Type of Historical Right:** FILED

Purpose(use): MULTIPLE DOMESTIC
THE CLAIMED WELL SERVICES A HOUSE WITH 1/4 ACRE OF LAWN AND GARDEN (POU ID NO. 2) AND A BUNKHOUSE (POU ID NO. 1).

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 3.62 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 0.25

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESWSW	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.25		NWNWSE	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND
2			NWNWSE	30	7N	18E	WHEATLAND
Total:	0.25						

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107443 STATEMENT OF CLAIM
Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT
Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1896

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 2.13 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.25

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENENE	22	7N	17E	WHEATLAND	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.25		SENENE	22	7N	17E	WHEATLAND	

Total: 0.25

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107444 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: WITHDRAWN

Owners: TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 08/15/2016.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107445 STATEMENT OF CLAIM
Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT
Status: **WITHDRAWN**

Owners: TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

Priority Date:

Enforceable Priority Date:

Type of Historical Right:

Purpose (use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Period of Use:

Place of Use:

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107446 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1896

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENE	22	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENE	22	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107447 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1917

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESE	2	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESE	2	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

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BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107448 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1917

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESE	2	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

SOURCE OF WATER IS A DEVELOPED SPRING. STOCK DRINK FROM BELOW SRING, IN AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF THE MUSSELSHELL RIVER.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESE	2	7N	17E	WHEATLAND

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BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107449 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

JAMES J OTT
453 SOARING PINE TRAIL
KALISPELL, MT 59901

TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

KATHLEEN A OTT
453 SOARING PINE TRAIL
KALISPELL, MT 59901

OWNER JAMES J OTT RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER KATHLEEN A OTT RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

Priority Date: APRIL 8, 1907

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	15	6N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		SESWW	15	6N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	15	6N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			SESWW	15	6N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30107450 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

***Priority Date:** FEBRUARY 25, 1907

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2NE	21	6N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2NE	21	6N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30107451 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

TABER RANCH LLC
PO BOX 61
SHAWMUT, MT 59078 0061

JAMES J OTT
453 SOARING PINE TRAIL
KALISPELL, MT 59901

KATHLEEN A OTT
453 SOARING PINE TRAIL
KALISPELL, MT 59901

OWNER KATHLEEN A OTT RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER JAMES J OTT RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1912

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2NW	22	6N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2NW	22	6N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE POINT OF DIVERSION WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/11/2016.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30108058 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: KAY E TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

FREDERICK B TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

Priority Date: DECEMBER 28, 1905

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

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Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		1	27	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1				27	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
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Water Right Number: 40A 30108060 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: FREDERICK B TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

KAY E TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

Priority Date: DECEMBER 21, 1909

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N2N2	34	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2N2	34	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30108062 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: KAY E TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

FREDERICK B TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

Priority Date: OCTOBER 31, 1903

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

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Source Name: SIMMONS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSENE	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		E2SWNE	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		SE	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SESESW	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSENE	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
2			E2SWNE	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
3			SE	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
4			SESESW	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

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Water Right Number: 40A 30108063 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: FREDERICK B TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

KAY E TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

Priority Date: OCTOBER 6, 1907

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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2		W2NWSW	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

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1			N2	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
2			W2NWSW	32	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

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Water Right Number: 40A 30108064 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: FREDERICK B TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

KAY E TABER
72 WINDY RIDGE TRAIL
RYEGATE, MT 59074

Priority Date: DECEMBER 28, 1905

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESENE	31	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		S2	31	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESENE	31	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
2			S2	31	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30108079 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: HORPESTAD RANCH INC
PO BOX 93
LAVINA, MT 59046 0093

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1889

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: SWIMMING WOMAN CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			4	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NW	9	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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3		N2SW	9	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		E2	21	10N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		W2SW	22	10N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SESESE	28	10N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		E2	33	10N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1				4	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
2			NW	9	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
3			N2SW	9	9N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
4			E2	21	10N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
5			W2SW	22	10N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
6			SESESE	28	10N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY
7			E2	33	10N	19E	GOLDEN VALLEY

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30108308 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MARY E BAIRD
211 W JANEUX ST APT 502
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 3053

DAVID W BAIRD
2908 MT HWY 297
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 8208

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1891

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: BLAKE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2W2	4	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		E2E2SE	5	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		E2NE	8	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		W2NWSW	27	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SESE	28	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6			33	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2W2	4	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			E2E2SE	5	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
3			E2NE	8	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
4			W2NWSW	27	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
5			SESE	28	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
6				33	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30108310 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DAVID W BAIRD
2908 MT HWY 297
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 8208

MARY E BAIRD
211 W JANEUX ST APT 502
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 3053

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1954

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: GALLOWAY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2SW	2	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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2		SESESE	3	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2SW	2	10N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			SESESE	3	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30108311 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

MARY E BAIRD
211 W JANEUX ST APT 502
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 3053

DAVID W BAIRD
2908 MT HWY 297
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 8208

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1891

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

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***Source Name:** NIEL CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SW	28	11N	17E	WHEATLAND	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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2		NW	33	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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1			SW	28	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			NW	33	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30108312 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DAVID W BAIRD
2908 MT HWY 297
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 8208

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1954

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WEST GALLOWAY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2NE	34	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		E2W2	34	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2NE	34	11N	17E	WHEATLAND
2			E2W2	34	11N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 09/06/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30108436 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DAVID W BAIRD
2908 MT HWY 297
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 8208

CONNIE S BAIRD
2908 MT HWY 297
JUDITH GAP, MT 59453 8208

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1954

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: TIMBER CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2	11	10N	17E	WHEATLAND	

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2	11	10N	17E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 09/12/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30108751 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RICHARD M KNUDSON
PO BOX 179
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0179

SUSAN L KNUDSON
PO BOX 179
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0179

***Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

Volume: 2.50 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 0.50

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESE	21	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.50		NESE	21	8N	15E	WHEATLAND
Total:	0.50						

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 11/17/2016: TOTAL ACRES, VOLUME, PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 10/04/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30108752 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RICHARD M KNUDSON
PO BOX 179
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0179

KEVIN R KNUDSON
PO BOX 431
HARLOWTON, MT 59036

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1938

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** ALKALI CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESE	10		8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESE	10	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 11/17/2016: FLOW RATE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 10/14/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30108753 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: KEVIN R KNUDSON
PO BOX 431
HARLOWTON, MT 59036

RICHARD M KNUDSON
PO BOX 179
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0179

Priority Date: AUGUST 31, 1944

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SE	SE	10	8N	15E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESESE	10	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30108754 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RICHARD M KNUDSON
PO BOX 179
HARLOWTON, MT 59036 0179

KEVIN R KNUDSON
PO BOX 431
HARLOWTON, MT 59036

Priority Date: AUGUST 31, 1944

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 20.00 GPM

Volume: 1.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.25

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESESE	10	8N	15E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.25		SWNWSE	10	8N	15E	WHEATLAND
Total:	0.25						

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 11/17/2016: MAXIMUM ACRES, VOLUME.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 11/17/2016. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109102 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CAYUSE LIVESTOCK CO
316A MELVILLE RD
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS SOUTH PASTURE BIG SPRING

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENE	21	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENE	21	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS

Remarks:

THE FLOW RATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 11/29/2016.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109104 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CAYUSE LIVESTOCK CO
316A MELVILLE RD
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS COX BOTTOM SPRING

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWSW	17	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENWSW	17	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS

Remarks:

THE FLOW RATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 11/29/2016.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109105 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CAYUSE LIVESTOCK CO
316A MELVILLE RD
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011

Priority Date: APRIL 1, 1960

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WINDMILL SPRING

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSENE	13	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSENE	13	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109106 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CAYUSE LIVESTOCK CO
316A MELVILLE RD
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011

Priority Date: MARCH 21, 1891

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SADIE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			13	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS

***Source Name:** SADIE CREEK

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		NE	23	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: SADIE CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		NW	24	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: SADIE CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		S2	24	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		N2	25	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6			17	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7			18	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8			19	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9			30	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SADIE CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1				13	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
2			NE	23	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
3			NW	24	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
4			S2	24	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
5			N2	25	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
6				17	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS
7				18	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS
8				19	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS
9				30	5N	15E	SWEET GRASS

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109107 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CAYUSE LIVESTOCK CO
316A MELVILLE RD
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011

Priority Date: MARCH 21, 1891

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NW	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30109108 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: CAYUSE LIVESTOCK CO
316A MELVILLE RD
BIG TIMBER, MT 59011

Priority Date: MARCH 21, 1891

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS	

***Source Name:** FISH CREEK

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		NWNE	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		N2SE	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SESE	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SW	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		N2	9	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		S2	9	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		N2SE	9	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9			14	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10			15	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		NE	18	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		W2	18	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
13			20	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
14			21	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
15		NWNW	22	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
16		NW	23	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF FISH CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
2			NWNE	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
3			N2SE	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
4			SESE	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
5			SW	8	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
6			N2	9	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
7			S2	9	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
8			N2SE	9	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
9				14	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
10				15	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
11			NE	18	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
12			W2	18	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
13				20	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
14				21	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
15			NWNW	22	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS
16			NW	23	5N	14E	SWEET GRASS

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109347 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BERG RANCH CO
60 BERG RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 24, 1917

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF THOMAS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SEWN	9	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SEWN	9	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109348 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BERG RANCH CO
60 BERG RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 24, 1917

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

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***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF THOMAS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNWSE	9	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNWSE	9	8N	10E	MEAGHER

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109349 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: BERG RANCH CO
60 BERG RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: JULY 26, 1910

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 5.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUDDY CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWNW	21	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWNW	21	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109709 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DARLA J JEFFERS
11 COTTONWOOD RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

Priority Date: MAY 12, 1899

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2	SESE	28	6N	18E WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		N2	N2	33	6N	18E WHEATLAND
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2	SESE	28	6N	18E WHEATLAND
2			N2	N2	33	6N	18E WHEATLAND

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/23/2017: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/06/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109710 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

WAYNE E CAVILL
130 CAVILL RD
RYEGATE, MT 59074

LESLIE L CAVILL
130 CAVILL RD
RYEGATE, MT 59074

DARLA J JEFFERS
11 COTTONWOOD RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

OWNER DARLA J JEFFERS RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1933

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

Volume: 5.00 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 2.00

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNENE	26	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

*Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2.00		SWNENE	26	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
Total:	2.00						

Remarks:

THE FLOW RATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/23/2017.

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109713 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners:

DARLA J JEFFERS
11 COTTONWOOD RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

LESLIE L CAVILL
130 CAVILL RD
RYEGATE, MT 59074

WAYNE E CAVILL
130 CAVILL RD
RYEGATE, MT 59074

OWNER DARLA J JEFFERS RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1904

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: FISH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

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Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSW	24	6N	18E	WHEATLAND
2			N2	26	6N	18E	WHEATLAND

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109722 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 5, 1889

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SLAUGHTERHOUSE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWN	NW	7	7N	9E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2			NEN	NW	7	7N	9E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWNENW	7	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		NENENW	7	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NWNWNE	7	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWNW	7	7N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NENWNW	7	7N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWNENW	7	7N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NENENW	7	7N	9E	MEAGHER
5			NWNWNE	7	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109723 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: NOVEMBER 1, 1896

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WARM SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWNW	12	7N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWNW	12	7N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/17/2017: FLOW RATE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109724 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SE	SE	23	8N	9E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S	W	S	E	25	8N	9E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWSWNE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		SESWNE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		SWSWNE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		SWNENW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		NENWNW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		NWNWNW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		SENWNW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		NESENW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		NWSENW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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12		NENESE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		NWNESE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
14		SWNESE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
15		SENWSE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
16		NWSESE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
17		SESW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
18		SWNESW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
19		NWNWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
20		SENWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
21		SWNWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

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1			SESESE	23	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SWSENE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWSWNE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			SESWNE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5			SWSWNE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
6			SWNENW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
7			NENWNW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
8			NWNWNW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
9			SENWNW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
10			NESENW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
11			NWSENW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
12			NENESE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
13			NWNESE	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
14			SWNESE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
15			SENWSE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
16			NWSESE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
17			SENESE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
18			SWNESW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
19			NWNWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
20			SENWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
21			SWNWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109725 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALABAUGH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SW	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWSWSE	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		NESWSE	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
17		NWNWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
18		SWNWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
19		NWSWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
20		NESWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
21		SWSWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
22		SESWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
23		NWNWSW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
24		NENWSW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
25		SENWSW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENESE	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SWNWSE	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWSWSE	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NESWSE	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5			SESWSE	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER
6			SWSESE	15	8N	9E	MEAGHER
7			NWNENE	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
8			SWNENE	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
9			SENESE	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
10			NESENE	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
11			SESENE	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
12			NENESE	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
13			SENESE	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
14			SWNWSW	23	8N	9E	MEAGHER
15			NWSWSW	23	8N	9E	MEAGHER
16			SWSWSW	23	8N	9E	MEAGHER
17			NWNWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Place of Use:

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18			SWNWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
19			NWSWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
20			NESWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
21			SWSWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
22			SESWNW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
23			NWNWSW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
24			NENWSW	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109827 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALABAUGH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SWSWNE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SESWNE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SWSENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SESENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		SWSWNW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NWNWSW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		NENWSW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SWSENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			SESWNE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			SWSWNE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5			SESENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
6			SWSENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
7			SWSWNW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
8			NENWSW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
9			NWNWSW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109829 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBINSON CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NWNW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

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<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWNENW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		NENWNW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		NWNWNW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		SESESW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NWNENW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWNENW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NENWNW	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109830 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBINSON CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2			SESWSWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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3			SWSWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NENESW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109831 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF CORRAL CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	SENE	16	8N	9E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SW	SENE	16	8N	9E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWNESE	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSENE	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SWSENE	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWNESE	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/29/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30109832 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALABAUGH CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWSE	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSWSE	26	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/09/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109833 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SLAUGHTER HOUSE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SENE	17	8N	9E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NE	NENE	17	8N	9E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWNESE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		NENWSE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NWNWSE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NENESE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWNESE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NENWSE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5			NWNWSE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/09/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109834 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** SLAUGHTER HOUSE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWSE	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2			NWNESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SWNESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		NENWSW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		NWNWSW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		NESESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		NWSESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		SESESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		SWNWNE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		NWSENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		NWSENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
12		SESENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		SWSENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
14		NESWNE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
15		NWSWNE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
16		NENENW	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
17		NWNENW	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
18		SE	NENW	17	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
19		NE	NESE	17	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
20		N	NENW	21	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
21		N	NWNW	21	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
22		SE	SENE	21	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
23		N	WSENE	21	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
24		SE	SENE	21	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
25		S	WSENE	21	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
26		N	SENE	21	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
27		NE	NESE	21	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
28		SE	SENE	21	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
29		SE	NWSW	22	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
30		S	NWSW	22	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
31		S	WSESW	22	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
32		N	SESW	22	8N	9E MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
33		NWSWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
34		NWSWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
35		SESWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
36		SWSWNE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
37		NENENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
38		NWNENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
39		SENENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
40		NESENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
41		SESENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
42		SENESE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
43		SWNESE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
44		NENWSE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
45		NWNWSE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
46		SENWSE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWSE	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NWNESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			SWNESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NENWSW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5			NWNWSW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
6			NESESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
7			NWSESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
8			SESESW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
9			SWNWNE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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16			NENENW	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
17			NWNENW	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
18			SENENW	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
19			NENESE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
20			NENWNE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
21			NWNWNE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
22			SENWNE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
23			NWSENE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
24			SESENE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
25			SWSENE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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27			NENESE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
28			SENESE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
29			SENWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
30			SWNWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
31			SWSESW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
32			NESWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
33			NWSWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
34			NWSWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
35			SESWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER
36			SWSWNE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
37			NENENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
38			NWNENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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40			NESENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
41			SESENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
42			SENESE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
43			SWNESE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
44			NENWSE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
45			NWNWSE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
46			SENWSE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/09/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109835 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENE 36	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2			SENENE 36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NESENE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		NWSENE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		SWSENE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		SESWNE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		NWSESE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		SWSESE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		NESWSE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		NWSWSE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		NESESW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
12		NWSESW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		SWSESW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
14		SESWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
15		SWSWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
16		NWNWNW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SENE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NESENE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NWSENE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5			SWSENE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
6			SESWNE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
7			NWSESE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
8			SWSESE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
9			NESWSE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
10			NWSWSE	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
11			NESESW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
12			NWSESW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
13			SWSESW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
14			SESWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
15			SWSWSW	30	8N	10E	MEAGHER
16			NWNWNW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/09/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109836 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1944

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALABAUGH CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSESE	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNENE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SWNENE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NENWSE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

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THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/17/2017: FLOW RATE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109837 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: SEPTEMBER 1, 1913

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SLAUGHTER HOUSE CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENWSW	22	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENW	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NENWSE	27	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/17/2017: FLOW RATE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109838 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1917

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESESW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/21/2017: FLOW RATE.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109839 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: MAY 15, 1903

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESENW	8	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	SENW	8	7N	9E MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109841 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: MAY 21, 1891

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, DRY FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SW	NENW	13	7N	8E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SE	NENW	13	7N	8E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Remarks:

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Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DAVID A VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

JUNE W VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: MAY 10, 1897

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

***Source Name:** BONANZA CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31							
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10		SENWSE	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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11		SWNWSE	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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12		NWSESE	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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13		SWSESE	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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14		NESWSE	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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15		SESWSE	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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16		NENESW	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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17		NWSWSW	13	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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18		SWSWSW	13	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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19		SWNWNW	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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21		SESENW	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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22		SWSENW	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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23		NESWNW	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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24		NWSWNW	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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25		SWNESE	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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26		NWNWSE	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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27		SENWSE	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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28		SWNWSE	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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29		NESESE	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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31		NENESW	14	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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35		NESWNE	19	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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36		SESENE	19	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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37		SENE	24	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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38		SWNE	24	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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45		NENWNW	24	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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47		SWSENE	19	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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48		NWSWNE	19	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 3/6/2017: ANIMAL UNITS, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 2/16/2017: ANIMAL UNITS, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF USE, POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109844 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DAVID A VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

JUNE W VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: MAY 10, 1897

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BONANZA CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31							
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Remarks:

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Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

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Volume:

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Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

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256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

DAVID A VOLDSETH
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Priority Date: MAY 10, 1897

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

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THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/09/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109848 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DAVID A VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

JUNE W VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: MAY 10, 1897

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(usage): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BONANZA CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESENE	11	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2		NWSENE	11	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
3		SESENE	11	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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4		NWNWSW	12	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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14		SENWSW	13	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

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12			SESWNW	13	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109849 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JUNE W VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

DAVID A VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: MAY 10, 1897

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BONANZA CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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1		NWSWNE	24	8N	9E	MEAGHER	
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31							
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE							
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31							
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
12			SEN	24	8N	9E	MEAGHER
13			SWN	24	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 2/16/2017: ANIMAL UNITS, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF USE, POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 3/6/2017: ANIMAL UNITS, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF USE.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109850 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JUNE W VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

DAVID A VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1970

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 6.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 2.00

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BONANZA CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNWSW	12	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2.00		NE	SESE	14	8N	9E MEAGHER
Total:	2.00						

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/27/2017: VOLUME.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109851 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JUNE W VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

DAVID A VOLDSETH
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1970

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 6.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 2.00

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BONANZA CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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1		SWNWSW	12	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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Total:	2.00						

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109854 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNESW	14	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNESW	14	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/09/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109855 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESESE	14	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING					
2		NENENE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING					
3		SENESE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING					
4		SENESE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING					

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING						
6		SESENE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING						
7		NENESE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESESE	14	8N	10E	MEAGHER
2			NENENE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
3			SENESE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
4			SENESE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
5			NESENE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
6			SESENE	23	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/18/2017: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30109856 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NWNENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SWNE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		SENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		NESE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		NWSE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		SENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		NWSE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		SWNW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		SENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		NWSE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
12		SENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		SWSE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
14		SENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
15		NWSE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
16		SENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
17		SENE	27	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

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18		SWNENE	27	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
19		NWNWNE	27	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
20		SEWNE	27	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
21		SWNWNE	27	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

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1			NENENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
2			NWNENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
3			SWNENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
4			SEWNE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
5			NESENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
6			NWSENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
7			NESWNE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
8			NWSWNE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
9			SWNWNW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
10			NESEW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
11			NWSEW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
12			SESEW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
13			SWSEW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
14			NESWNW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
15			NWSWNW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
16			SESWNW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
17			SENE	27	8N	10E	MEAGHER
18			SWNENE	27	8N	10E	MEAGHER
19			NWNWNE	27	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109857 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING					
2		SWSWNE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Place of Use:

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5			SWSENW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
6			NENESW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
7			NWNESW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109858 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: APRIL 29, 1912

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: HEREIM CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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6		SWSWNW	2	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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7		NWSENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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8		SWSENE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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9		NESWNE	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30109859 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUDDY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

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12			NWNWSE	36	8N	10E	MEAGHER
13			SWNWSE	36	8N	10E	MEAGHER
14			NWSWSE	36	8N	10E	MEAGHER
15			SWSWSE	36	8N	10E	MEAGHER
16			NWNWNE	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
17			SEENW	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
18			NESENW	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
19			SWSWNE	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
20			NWNWSE	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
21			NENWSE	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
22			NWNESE	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
23			SWNESE	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
24			SEWSE	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
25			NESWSE	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
26			SESWSE	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER
27			NENWNE	12	7N	10E	MEAGHER
28			NWNWNE	12	7N	10E	MEAGHER
29			NESWNW	12	7N	10E	MEAGHER
30			NWSWNW	12	7N	10E	MEAGHER
31			SWSWNW	12	7N	10E	MEAGHER
32			NWNWSW	12	7N	10E	MEAGHER
33			SWNWSW	12	7N	10E	MEAGHER
34			NWSWSW	12	7N	10E	MEAGHER
35			SWSWSW	12	7N	10E	MEAGHER
36			SESENE	11	7N	10E	MEAGHER
37			SWNWNW	13	7N	10E	MEAGHER
38			NWSWNW	13	7N	10E	MEAGHER
39			SWSWNW	13	7N	10E	MEAGHER
40			NWNWSW	13	7N	10E	MEAGHER
41			SWNWSW	13	7N	10E	MEAGHER
42			NWSWSW	13	7N	10E	MEAGHER
43			SWSWSW	13	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
44			NESESE	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
45			SESESE	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
46			NENENE	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
47			NWNENE	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
48			SWNENE	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
49			NWNENE	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
50			NESWNE	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
51			NWSWNE	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
52			SWSWNE	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
53			SENENW	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
54			SESENW	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
55			NENESW	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
56			NWNESW	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
57			SWNESW	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
58			SENWSW	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
59			SWNWSW	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
60			NWSWSW	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
61			SWSWSW	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER
62			NWSENW	25	8N	10E	MEAGHER
63			SESENW	1	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109864 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1950

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume:

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNE	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109865 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUDDY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENESE	11	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31							
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE							
2			SENESE	11	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31							
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE							
3			NWSESE	11	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31							
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE							
4			SESESE	11	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31							
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE							

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
5		SWSESE	11	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		NENWNE	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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7		SENWNE	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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8		SWNWNE	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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13		SENESW	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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14		SWNESW	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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15		NWSESW	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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16		NESWSW	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use:		JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31				

Place of Use:

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5			SWSESE	11	7N	10E	MEAGHER
6			NENWNE	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
7			SENWNE	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
8			SWNWNE	14	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109866 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUDDY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWN	SW	13	7N	10E MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		SEN	SW	13	7N	10E MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		SWN	ESW	13	7N	10E MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109867 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1965

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume:

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUDDY CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENE	23	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109869 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH, NORMAN M LP
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1971

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 56.49 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.50

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SESWNW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.50		SESWNW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Total: 0.50

Remarks:

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 256 BONANZA CREEK RD
 MARTINSDALE, MT 59053

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1		NW	26	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109871 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		NENENW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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3		NWNENW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SWNENW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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1			NWNWNE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
2			NENENW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
3			NWNENW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
4			SWNENW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
5			NENWNW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
6			NWNWNW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109872 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: COMB CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENE	1	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SENENE	1	7N	9E	MEAGHER
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15		SWNWSW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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16		NWSESW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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17		SWSESW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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19		SESWSW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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32		NENWSW	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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34		SEN	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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35		NWSE	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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36		SWSE	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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37		NEN	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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39		SENE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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40		SWNE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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41		NESE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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42		SESE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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43		NWN	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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44		SWN	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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45		NWS	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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46		SW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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48		SE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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49		NE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
50		NW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
51		SE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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52		SW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
53		NE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
54		SE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
55		NE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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56		SE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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57		NE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
58		SE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
59		NE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
60		SE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
61		SE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
62		NE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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63		NWSENE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
64		NESWNE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
65		NWSWNE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
66		SWSWNE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
67		SESENE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
68		SWSENE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
69		NENSW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
70		NWNESW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
71		SWNESW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
72		NENSW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
73		SENWSW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
74		SWNWSW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
75		NWSESW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
76		SWSESW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
77		NWSWSW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
78		SWNWNW	32	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
79		NWNWNW	32	8N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENE	1	7N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SENENE	1	7N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWNENW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
4			NENWNW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
5			NWNWNW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
6			SENWNW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
7			SWNWNW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
8			NESWNW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
9			NWSWNW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
10			SESWNW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
11			SWSWNW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
12			NENWSW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
13			NWNWSW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
14			SENWSW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
15			SWNWSW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
16			NWSESW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
17			SWSESW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
18			NESWSW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
19			SESWSW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
20			SWNWNE	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
21			SESENE	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
22			SWSENE	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
23			NESWNE	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
24			NWSWNE	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
25			SESWNE	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
26			NENENW	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
27			NWNENW	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
28			NWNENW	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
29			SENENW	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
30			NENESE	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER
31			SWNESW	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
32			NENWSW	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
33			NWNWSW	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
34			SENWSW	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Place of Use:

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35			NWSESW	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
36			SWSESW	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
37			NENENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
38			NWNENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
39			SENENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
40			SWNENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
41			NESENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
42			SESENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
43			NWNWSE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
44			SWNWSE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
45			NWSWSE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
46			SWSWSE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
47			NENESW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
48			SENESW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
49			NESESW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
50			NWNWNE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
51			SENWNE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
52			SWNWNE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
53			NESWNE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
54			SESWNE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
55			NENWSE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
56			SENWSE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
57			NESWSE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
58			SESWSE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
59			NESESE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
60			SESESE	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
61			SENESE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
62			NESESE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
63			NWSENE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
64			NESWNE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
65			NWSWNE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
66			SWSWNE	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
67			SESENW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
68			SWSENW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
69			NENESW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
70			NWNESW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
71			SWNESW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
72			NENWSW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
73			SENWSW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
74			SWNWSW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
75			NWSESW	31	8N	10E	MEAGHER
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78			SWN	WNW	32	8N	10E MEAGHER
79			NWN	WNW	32	8N	10E MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/15/2017: SOURCE OF WATER, POINT OF DIVERSION,.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/06/2017: ANIMAL UNITS, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM REQUIRES FURTHER NOTICE BEFORE BEING INCLUDED IN THE FINAL DECREE.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109904 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1935

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COMB CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESESE	1	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESESE	1	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/09/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109910 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1965

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume:

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COMB CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENESE	1	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENESE	1	7N	9E	MEAGHER

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30109911 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** LITTLE COTTONWOOD CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENE	25	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SENENE	25	7N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWSENE	25	7N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		NESENE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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5		SESENE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		SWSENE	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		NENSW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		NWNWSW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		SWNWSW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
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	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
16		NENWNE	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
17		NWNWNE	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
18		NENWSW	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
19		SENWSW	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
20		NESWSW	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
21		SESWSW	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
22		NWNWNW	30	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

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1			NENENE	25	7N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SENE	25	7N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWSENE	25	7N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NESENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
5			SESENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
6			SWSENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
7			SWSENW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
8			NENWSW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
9			NWNWSW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
10			SWNWSW	17	7N	10E	MEAGHER
11			SENESE	18	7N	10E	MEAGHER
12			NESESE	18	7N	10E	MEAGHER
13			NWSESE	18	7N	10E	MEAGHER
14			SWSESE	18	7N	10E	MEAGHER
15			SESWSE	18	7N	10E	MEAGHER
16			NENWNE	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
17			NWNWNE	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
18			NENWSW	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
19			SENWSW	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
20			NESWSW	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
21			SESWSW	19	7N	10E	MEAGHER
22			NWNWNW	30	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/15/2017: ANIMAL UNITS, POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/06/2017: PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/16/2017: SOURCE OF WATER.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/06/2017:.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/16/2017: ANIMAL UNITS, POINT OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, PERIOD OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM REQUIRES FURTHER NOTICE BEFORE BEING INCLUDED IN THE FINAL DECREE.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30109912 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: COMB CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWNE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
2		SESENW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
3		NENESW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		SESENW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
5		NESESW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NWSESW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWNE	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
2			SESENW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
3			NENESW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
4			SESESW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
5			NESESW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER
6			NWSESW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 02/21/2017.

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30109913 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNW	3	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SWNWNW	3	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

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3		SENE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		NESE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		SESE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		SWSE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		NWSE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		SWSE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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9		SESE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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10		NESE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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11		NWSE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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12		SWSE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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13		NWSE	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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14		SWSE	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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15		SESE	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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23		SESESW	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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24		NESWSW	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
25		SESWSW	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
26		SWSWSW	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

***Place of Use:**

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24			NESWSW	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER
25			SESWSW	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER
26			SWSWSW	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 3/6/2017: ANIMAL UNITS, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF USE.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/09/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109917 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		SESESE	5	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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22		NWSEW	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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1			NWSE	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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3			SESW	4	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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25			SWWNE	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
26			NWSEW	8	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109918 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SENE	3	7N	10E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NE	NESE	3	7N	10E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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26			SWNWNW	15	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
17		SWNWNE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
18		NWSWNE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
19		SWSWNE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
20		NESENW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
21		NWSENW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
22		SESENW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
23		SWSENW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
24		NESWNW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
25		SESWNW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
26		SWSWNW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
27		NWNESW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
28		SWNESW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
29		NESWSW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
30		SESWSW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
31		SWSWSW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
32		NWNWNW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESESE	15	7N	10E	MEAGHER
2			SWSESE	15	7N	10E	MEAGHER
3			SESWSE	15	7N	10E	MEAGHER
4			SESENE	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER
5			NWNESE	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER
6			NENWSE	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Place of Use:

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7			NWNWSE	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER
8			SWNWSE	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER
9			SESESW	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER
10			NESESW	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER
11			NWSESW	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER
12			SWSESW	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER
13			NWNENE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
14			NENWNE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
15			NWNWNE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
16			SEWNE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
17			SWNWNE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
18			NWSWNE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
19			SWSWNE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
20			NESEW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
21			NWSEW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
22			SESEW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
23			SWSEW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
24			NESWNW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
25			SESWNW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
26			SWSWNW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
27			NWNESW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
28			SWNESW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
29			NESWSW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
30			SESWSW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
31			SWSWSW	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
32			NWNWNW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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THIS EXEMPT CLAIM REQUIRES FURTHER NOTICE BEFORE BEING INCLUDED IN THE FINAL DECREE.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30109953 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: MUDDY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	SE	22	7N	10E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NW	SE	22	7N	10E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NESWSE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		SESWSE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		SWSWSE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		NENENW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		SENENW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		SWNENW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		NWSENW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		NWSENW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		SWSENW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
12		NWNESW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		SESESW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
14		SWNESW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
15		NESESW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
16		NWSESW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
17		SWSESW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESESE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
2			NWSESE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
3			NESWSE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
4			SESWSE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
5			SWSWSE	22	7N	10E	MEAGHER
6			NENENW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
7			SENENW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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12			NWNESW	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
13			SENESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
14			SWNESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
15			NESESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
16			NWSESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
17			SWSESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109954 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUDDY CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENENE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SENENE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NESENE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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5			NENESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
6			SENESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109955 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1965

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume:

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	SE	4	7N	10E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	SE	4	7N	10E MEAGHER

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109957 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1965

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume:

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWNW	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENWNW	9	7N	10E	MEAGHER

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30109958 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1965

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume:

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEREIM CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWSE	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSWSE	21	7N	10E	MEAGHER

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109960 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1965

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume:

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSEW	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSEW	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109961 STATEMENT OF CLAIM
Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT
Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1885

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 5.50 AC-FT

Households: 3

Maximum Acres: 5.00

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COMB CREEK
Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSENE	7	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	5.00		SWNESW	6	7N	10E	MEAGHER
Total:	5.00						

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/15/2017: VOLUME.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109963 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 17.50 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COMB CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWNW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 01/09/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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Water Right Number: 40A 30109964 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1885

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 5.50 GPM

Volume: 28.24 AC-FT

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COMB CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	0.00		NWNWNW	20	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110139 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROBINSON CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSNW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2			NESWNW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWSWNW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		SESWNW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		NWNWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		SENWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		SWNWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		NWSESE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		SWSESE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		NESWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		NENESW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
12		NWNESW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		NENENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
14		NWNENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSENW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NESWNW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWSWNW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			SESWNW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5			NWNWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
6			SENWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
7			SWNWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
8			NWSESE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
9			SWSESE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
10			NESWSE	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
11			NENESW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
12			NWNESW	21	8N	9E	MEAGHER
13			NENENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER
14			NWNENE	28	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110140 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SES	SW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NEN	NW	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SENWNW	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESWSW	25	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NENWNW	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			SENWNW	36	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110141 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SLAUGHTER HOUSE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWN	16		8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SESWNW	16		8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SWSWNW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		NENWSW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NWNENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SENENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		SWNENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NENWNE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		NESENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSWNW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SESWNW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			SWSWNW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NENWSW	16	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5			NWNENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
6			SENENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
7			SWNENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
8			NENWNE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
9			NESENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110238 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1908

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COYOTE CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENESE	12	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENESE	12	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110239 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MONTANA, STATE OF BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
TRUST LAND MANAGEMENT DIVISION
PO BOX 201601
HELENA, MT 59620 1601

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1914

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 10.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF THOMAS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSENE	8	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSENE	8	8N	10E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110341 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GRANDE RANCH CO
% JOHN A GRANDE
148 GRANDE RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8758

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SLAUGHTER HOUSE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N2N2SE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SESENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

*Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2N2SE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			SESENE	17	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110363 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 1.50 AC-FT

Households: 1

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DURST CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/30/2017: SOURCE OF WATER.

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110366 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

***Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 5.50 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 1.00

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESWSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.00		SESESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Total: 1.00

Remarks:

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110369 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1959

Type of Historical Right: USE

***Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

Volume: 5.50 AC-FT

Households: 2

Maximum Acres: 1.00

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.00		SESESW	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Total: 1.00

Remarks:

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110370 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: MAY 3, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, DRY FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENE	15	7N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NENENE	15	7N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNENE	15	7N	8E	MEAGHER
2			NENENE	15	7N	8E	MEAGHER

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110377 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: MAY 3, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, DRY FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	15	7N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NE	15	7N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SE	SENE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		S	SENE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		N	SENE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		N	WSENE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		S	ENESE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S	ENESE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
2			N	ENESE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
3			S	ENESE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
4			S	WSENE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
5			N	ENESE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
6			N	WSENE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER
7			S	ENESE	15	7N	8E MEAGHER

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110399 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1915

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSENE	15	7N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSENE	15	7N	8E	MEAGHER

THE DNRC EXAMINATION OF THIS CLAIM FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT FACTS, DATA, OR ISSUES TO REPORT TO THE WATER COURT.

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COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110401 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WARM SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SESESE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENESE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			NESESE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
3			SESESE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/17/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110402 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WARM SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SW	SE	SW	35	8N 8E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SE	SW	SW	35	8N 8E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SW	SESW	35	8N	8E MEAGHER
2			SE	SWSW	35	8N	8E MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 2/17/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 5/7/1985.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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SEE GENERAL FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT. THESE FINDINGS CAN BE FOUND AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY." IF YOU NEED OBJECTION FORMS, OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER COURT PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOU CAN CONTACT THE WATER COURT BY CALLING 1-800-624-3270 (WITHIN MONTANA ONLY) OR 1-406-586-4364, OR BY WRITING TO P.O. BOX 1389, BOZEMAN, MT 59771-1389.

**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110403 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WARM SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		E2SE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2SE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/17/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110405 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1959

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/17/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110406 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1959

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/17/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110407 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** WARM SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NWNESE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SENESE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		NENWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		NWNWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		SWSWSE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		SENWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		SWNWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		NESESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		NWSESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		SESESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
12		SWSESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		NESWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
14		NWSWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use:		JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31				

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENESE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			NWNESE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
3			SENESE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
4			NENWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
5			NWNWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
6			SWSWSE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
7			SENWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
8			SWNWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
9			NESESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
10			NWSESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
11			SESESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
12			SWSESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
13			NESWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
14			NWSWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/17/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110408 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WARM SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	SENE	34	8N	8E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SE	SWNE	34	8N	8E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NENWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSENE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			SESWNE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
3			NENWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/17/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR CLAIMED WATER RIGHT CAN BE OBTAINED BY COMPARING YOUR RIGHT WITH OTHER CLAIMS IN THE BASIN. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPARE PRIORITY DATES, FLOW RATES, VOLUMES, OR ACRES IRRIGATED. ALSO, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO WATER RIGHTS IN ADJOINING SUBBASINS OR BASINS AS WELL AS BEING SUBJECT TO OTHER RIGHTS ON YOUR SOURCE OF SUPPLY. FINALLY, YOUR WATER RIGHT MAY BE SUBJECT TO INDIAN RESERVED AND FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS.

COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110409 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WARM SPRINGS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SWNWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			SWNWSE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/17/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

YOUR WATER RIGHT AS SHOWN ON THIS ABSTRACT MAY HAVE CHANGES FROM YOUR WATER RIGHT AS CLAIMED OR AMENDED. AN ASTERISK (*) HAS BEEN PLACED NEXT TO EACH ITEM CHANGED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT AFTER ISSUANCE OF THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE. THESE CHANGES ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT WATER RIGHT CLAIMS EXAMINATION RULES OR BY ORDER OF THE WATER COURT.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110410 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SWNWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWSWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SESWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SWSWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NENESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		NWNESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		SENESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		NENWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			SWNWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
3			NWSWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
4			SESWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
5			SWSWNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
6			NENESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
7			NWNESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
8			SENESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
9			NENWSW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110411 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SEN	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SWN	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENWSE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			SWNWSE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110412 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESWSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESWSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02/17/2017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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COMPLETE DETAILS REGARDING THE DNRC PREPARATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY DECREE AND RELATED MATERIALS CAN BE REVIEWED AT THE OFFICE LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110414 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2	SWNE	35	8N	8E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2SWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110415 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	SENE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NW	SENE	35	8N	8E MEAGHER

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE DNRC DURING ITS EXAMINATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110416 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NE	SENE	35	8N	8E MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NW	SENE	35	8N	8E MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		SESENE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		NESWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESENE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			NWSENE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
3			SESENE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
4			NESWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110418 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		N2NESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSENW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			S2SENW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
3			N2NESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110419 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNENW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."

Water Right Number: 40A 30110421 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N2N	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

***Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2NENW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110422 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

***Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSWSE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SWSWSE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

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<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NENESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		NWNESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		SENESE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		NENWSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
7		NWNWSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		NESESE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		NENESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		NWNWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		SESNW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
12		SWNWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
13		NESWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
14		NWSWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
15		NWSWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
16		SWSWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
17		NWNWSE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					

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<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
18		SWNWSE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
19		SESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

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1			NWSWSE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			SWSWSE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
3			NENSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
4			NWNESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
5			SESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
6			NENSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
7			NWNWSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
8			NESEW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
9			NENESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER
10			NWNWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
11			SEWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
12			SWNWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
13			NESWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
14			NWSWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
15			NWSWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
16			SWSWNE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
17			NWNWSE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
18			SWNWSE	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER
19			SESW	35	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110423 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWNE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NENENW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

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3		NWSESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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4		SESESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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5		SWSESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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7		NWSWSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NWSENE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		NESESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		NWSESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWNE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
2			NENENW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
3			NWSESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
4			SESESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
5			SWSESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
6			NESWSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
7			NWSWSW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER
8			NWSENE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER
9			NESESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER
10			NWSESE	27	8N	8E	MEAGHER

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110424 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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***Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	SENE	34	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NW	SENE	34	8N	8E MEAGHER

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BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110426 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

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Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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1		SE	SE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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1			SESESE	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110427 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: RHYNARD RANCH LLP
448 CLEAR VIEW RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8762

***Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1895

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 35.00 GPM

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF REYNOLDS CREEK

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENESW	26	8N	8E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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THIS EXEMPT CLAIM WAS FILED ON 02172017. THIS CLAIM NUMBER WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASIN 40A DECREE ISSUED 05/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110429 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: VOLDSETH LAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: MAY 10, 1897

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

***Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENE	9	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NESENE	9	8N	9E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NWSENE	9	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SWNWNW	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NWSENE	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NESWNW	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		NWSWNW	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENE	9	8N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NESENE	9	8N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NWSENE	9	8N	9E	MEAGHER
4			SWNWNW	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
5			NWSENE	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
6			NESWNW	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER
7			NWSWNW	10	8N	9E	MEAGHER

Remarks:

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MUSSELHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110430 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: TG RANCLAND LLC
256 BONANZA CREEK RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8732

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

***Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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Source Name: DALE CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWSE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NWSWSE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3		NESWSE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		SENWSE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		SWNESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		NWNESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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7		NENESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
8		SESENE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
9		NESENE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
10		SENESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
11		SENESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
Period of Use:		JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31				

Place of Use:

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1			SENESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
2			SENESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
3			NESENE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
4			SESENE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
5			NENESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
6			NWNESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
7			SWNESE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
8			SENWSE	27	7N	10E	MEAGHER
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110431 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LOWETH LLC
143 VOLDSETH RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8756

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, DRY FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENE	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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2		NWSENE	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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2			NWSE	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER
3			NESW	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER
4			NWSW	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER
5			SENEN	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER
6			SWNEN	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER
7			SENWN	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER
8			SWNWN	18	7N	9E	MEAGHER

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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110432 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LOWETH LLC
143 VOLDSETH RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8756

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, DRY FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENWNE	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
2		NESWNE	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
	Period of Diversion:					
	Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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	Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
2			NE	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
3			NW	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
4			SW	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
5			SW	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
6			NW	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
7			SW	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
8			NE	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER
9			SW	13	7N	8E	MEAGHER

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MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110433 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LOWETH LLC
143 VOLDSETH RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8756

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNE	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		NWNWNE	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		SEWNNE	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
5		NWSENE	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SESENE	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		NENENW	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNE	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
2			NWNW	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
3			SENE	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
4			SWNW	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110434 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LOWETH LLC
143 VOLDSETH RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8756

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

***Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, DRY FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S	14	7N	8E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S	14	7N	8E	MEAGHER
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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2			S	14	7N	8E	MEAGHER

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110436 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LOWETH LLC
143 VOLDSETH RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8756

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, DRY FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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2			NWNWNW	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
3			SENWNW	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
4			SWNWNW	31	7N	9E	MEAGHER
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110437 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LOWETH LLC
143 VOLDSETH RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8756

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MUSSELSHELL RIVER, BOZEMAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	28	7N	9E	MEAGHER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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BASIN 40A
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110438 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LOWETH LLC
143 VOLDSETH RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8756

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, BOZEMAN FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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6			SENE	32	7N	9E	MEAGHER
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Water Right Number: 40A 30110439 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LOWETH LLC
143 VOLDSETH RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8756

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE
MUSSELSHELL RIVER, ABOVE ROUNDUP
BASIN 40A
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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Water Right Number: 40A 30110440 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LOWETH LLC
143 VOLDSETH RD
MARTINSDALE, MT 59053 8756

Priority Date: AUGUST 16, 1877

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose(use): STOCK

Flow Rate:

Volume:

Source Name: MUSSELSHELL RIVER, SOUTH FORK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

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