

**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146686-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CLEO BOYCE  
PO BOX 12  
WINIFRED, MT 59489 0012

MARY D BOYCE  
PO BOX 12  
WINIFRED, MT 59489 0012

**Priority Date:** JUNE 15, 1949

**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 SAWMILL 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SENE	24	21N	20E FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: NO. 4

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESENE	24	21N	20E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.80 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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:** 40EJ 146687-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CLEO BOYCE  
PO BOX 12  
WINIFRED, MT 59489 0012

MARY D BOYCE  
PO BOX 12  
WINIFRED, MT 59489 0012

**Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1949

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SOURDOUGH CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS BAKERS COULEE

**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	20	21N	21E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: NO. 5

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWNENW	20	21N	21E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.10 ACRES  
Capacity: 3.52 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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1			NWNENW	20	21N	21E	FERGUS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146688-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MARY D BOYCE  
PO BOX 12  
WINIFRED, MT 59489 0012

CLEO BOYCE  
PO BOX 12  
WINIFRED, MT 59489 0012

**Priority Date:** MAY 30, 1949

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		NE	SENE 22	21N	20E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: NO. 1

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2SENE	22	21N	20E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.60 ACRE-FEET

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1			N2SENE	22	21N	20E	FERGUS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146689-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MARJORIE K BOYCE  
PO BOX 74  
WINIFRED, MT 59489 0074

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 30, 1947

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF TWO CALF CREEK, SOUTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		NENENW	9	21N	22E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: NO. 9 KNOX

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENENW	9	21N	22E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.20 ACRES  
Capacity: 3.84 ACRE-FEET

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Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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1			NENENW	9	21N	22E	FERGUS

**Remarks:**

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

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 02/05/2010 , THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY MARJORIE BOYCE, CLEO & MARY D BOYCE, AND DAN & LAURA BOYCE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146690-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MARJORIE K BOYCE  
PO BOX 74  
WINIFRED, MT 59489 0074

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 30, 1963

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		SES	WSE	7	21N	22E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: NO. 8 PRARIE DOG

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2SWSE	7	21N	22E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.80 ACRES  
Capacity: 5.76 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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1			W2SWSE	7	21N	22E	FERGUS

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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MARJORIE K BOYCE  
PO BOX 74  
WINIFRED, MT 59489 0074

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 30, 1947

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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1			SWNWSE	10	21N	22E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: NO. 10 KNOX

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWNWSE	10	21N	22E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.80 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.56 ACRE-FEET

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1			SWNWSE	10	21N	22E	FERGUS

Remarks:

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

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 02/05/2010 , THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY MARJORIE BOYCE, CLEO & MARY D BOYCE, AND DAN & LAURA BOYCE.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146712-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 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.

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DEER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS WALKER

**\*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	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

**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			NWSWNW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

**Remarks:**

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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146713-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1935

**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 DEER 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	NESE	22	17N	19E FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: BALDY

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NESE	22	17N	19E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.20 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.64 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			S2NESE	22	17N	19E	FERGUS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146714-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1933

**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 DEER 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		SEN	WNW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: WALKER SPRING DAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENWNW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 6.00 FEET  
Depth: 3.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.20 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.24 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			SENWNW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146715-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1892

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LITTLE DEER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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THE SOURCE INCLUDES MULTIPLE UNNAMED TRIBUTARIES OF LITTLE DEER 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		E2SWSW	14	17N	19E	FERGUS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LITTLE DEER CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		N2NE	23	17N	19E	FERGUS
*Source Name: LITTLE DEER 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			E2SWSW	14	17N	19E	FERGUS
2			N2NE	23	17N	19E	FERGUS

ALL OR A PART OF THE PLACE OF USE CONSISTS OF FEDERAL PUBLIC LANDS. THE WATER RIGHT USED ON THE PUBLIC LANDS IS APPURTENANT TO THE FOLLOWING PRIVATE LANDS: SESE SEC 7, SWSW SEC 8, NWNW SEC 17, NENE SEC 18, ALL IN TWP 17N RGE 19E FERGUS COUNTY.

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/17/2012: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146716-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1907

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(usage):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		SW	5	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SWNE	8	17N	19E	FERGUS
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3		E2NW	8	17N	19E	FERGUS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

4		W2NWSE	8	17N	19E	FERGUS
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

5		NENSW	8	17N	19E	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			SW	5	17N	19E	FERGUS
2			SWNE	8	17N	19E	FERGUS
3			E2NW	8	17N	19E	FERGUS
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146717-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1941

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** DEER 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		E2W2NE	21	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM



\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: SAWMILL

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	E2W2NE	21	17N	19E	FERGUS	

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 28.00 FEET  
Depth: 25.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 2.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 20.00 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM HEIGHT AND CAPACITY HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			E2W2NE	21	17N	19E	FERGUS

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146718-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1941

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** DEER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS DEER CREEK, MIDDLE FORK

**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	22	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: FISH POND

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESWNW	22	17N	19E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 12.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY HAS BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SESWNW	22	17N	19E	FERGUS

**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.

146718-00 146727-00

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146719-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465  
  
LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1942

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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 DEER 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		NESWSW	5	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: BULL PASTURE DAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NESWSW	5	17N	19E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 20.00 FEET  
Depth: 17.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 2.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 13.60 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM HEIGHT AND CAPACITY HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	5	17N	19E	FERGUS

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146719-00 146726-00

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146720-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1930

**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:** DEER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		N	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: SCHOOL SECTION DAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENESW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 9.00 FEET  
Depth: 6.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.75 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.80 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE SESENW SEC 16 TWP 17N RGE 19E FERGUS COUNTY.  
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			NENESW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146721-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1961

**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 DEER 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	15	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM



\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: BLIND CALF DAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSWSE	15	17N	19E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 14.00 FEET  
Depth: 12.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.13 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.60 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			SWSWSE	15	17N	19E	FERGUS

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/17/2012: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146723-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1927

**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 DEER 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	SENE 21	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: SULFUR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u> S2SENE	<u>Sec</u> 21	<u>Twp</u> 17N	<u>Rge</u> 19E	<u>County</u> FERGUS
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	23.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	20.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	3.40 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	27.20 ACRE-FEET				

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE NENESE SEC 21 TWP 17N RGE 19E FERGUS COUNTY.  
THE DAM HEIGHT, SURFACE AREA, AND CAPACITY HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			S2SENE	21	17N	19E	FERGUS
2			NENESE	21	17N	19E	FERGUS

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146724-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

**Priority Date:** AUGUST 1, 1893

**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 DEER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

**\*Source Name:** DEER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

THE SOURCE INCLUDES MULTIPLE UNNAMED TRIBUTARIES OF DEER 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		SE	9	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		SW	9	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		S2SE	15	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		NW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NE	21	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NENESE	21	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		S2NE	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		N2NW	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		S2NW	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		N2SE	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		NESWSW	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DEER CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> 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>
12		SWSWNE	23	17N	19E	FERGUS
*Source Name: DEER CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
13		S2S2NW	23	17N	19E	FERGUS
*Source Name: DEER CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
14		N2NWSE	23	17N	19E	FERGUS
*Source Name: DEER CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
15		N2N2SW	23	17N	19E	FERGUS
*Source Name: DEER 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>
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2			SW	9	17N	19E	FERGUS
3			S2SE	15	17N	19E	FERGUS
4			NW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS
5			NE	21	17N	19E	FERGUS
6			NENESE	21	17N	19E	FERGUS
7			S2NE	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
8			N2NW	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
9			S2NW	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
10			N2SE	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
11			NESWSW	22	17N	19E	FERGUS
12			SWSWNE	23	17N	19E	FERGUS
13			S2S2NW	23	17N	19E	FERGUS
14			N2NWSE	23	17N	19E	FERGUS
15			N2N2SW	23	17N	19E	FERGUS

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/17/2012: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

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

**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**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**\*\*\*\* THIS IS AN INTERBASIN TRANSFER CLAIM \*\*\*\***

**THIS APPROPRIATION OF WATER TAKES WATER FROM THE MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER DRAINAGE (BASIN 40EJ ) AND USES IT IN THE MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER DRAINAGE (BASIN 40EJ ) AND THE JUDITH RIVER DRAINAGE (BASIN 41S ). ANY OBJECTION TO THIS RIGHT MAY BE FILED DURING THE OBJECTION PERIODS FOR EITHER THE POINT OF DIVERSION OR PLACE OF USE BASIN.**

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**Water Right Number: 40EJ 146725-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM**

**Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT**

**Status: ACTIVE**

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 16, 1982

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

**Flow Rate:** 50.00 GPM

**Volume:** 6.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 2

**Maximum Acres:** 1.20

**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DEER CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WALKER



**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	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING  
PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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	0.20		SESESE	7	17N	19E	FERGUS
2	1.00		SWSWSW	8	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>Total:</b>	1.20						

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/25/2012: PURPOSE, POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

THE VOLUME WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/20/2012.

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.**

THIS INTERBASIN TRANSFER CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE 41S BASIN TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/17/1984.

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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146726-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1942

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** FISH AND WILDLIFE

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

**Volume:** 13.19 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF 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		NESWSW	5	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: BULL PASTURE DAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NESWSW	5	17N	19E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 20.00 FEET  
Depth: 17.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 2.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 13.60 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM HEIGHT AND CAPACITY HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	5	17N	19E	FERGUS

**Remarks:**

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

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.

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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146727-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1941

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** FISH AND WILDLIFE

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

**Volume:** 8.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** DEER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS DEER CREEK, MIDDLE FORK

**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	SWNW	22	17N	19E FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: FISH POND

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESWNW	22	17N	19E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 12.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY HAS BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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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146718-00 146727-00

THE VOLUME WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/20/2012.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146728-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1955

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

THIS WATER RIGHT ALSO INCLUDES NATURAL SUBIRRIGATION AS AN INCIDENTAL TYPE OF IRRIGATION.

**\*Flow Rate:** 272.00 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.

PRIMARILY A DIRECT FLOW SYSTEM; FLOW RATE RETAINED.

**\*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:** 16.00

**\*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		SESENW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

HEADGATE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM      **Reservoir Name:** SCHOOL SECTION DAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENSW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1  
**Dam Height:** 9.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 6.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 0.75 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 1.80 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE SESENW SEC 16 TWP 17N RGE 19E FERGUS COUNTY.

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

**Period of Use:** APRIL 15 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	16.00		NW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>Total:</b>	16.00						

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/29/2012: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146729-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1940

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER/FLOOD

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

**Volume:** 38.88 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 4 - MODERATELY LOW

**Maximum Acres:** 12.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DEER 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	SW	5	17N	19E FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A PUMP AND PIPELINE.

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: BULL PASTURE DAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NESWSW	5	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	20.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	17.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	2.00 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	13.60 ACRE-FEET				

THE DAM HEIGHT AND CAPACITY HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	9.00		W2E2SW	5	17N	19E	FERGUS
2	3.00		E2W2SW	5	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>Total:</b>	12.00						

**Remarks:**

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-221 , DATED 09/25/1979 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). MY-4CC-34 , DATED 09/05/1962 , 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 FILED RIGHT.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE IS 1940 OR 1942.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE EXCESSIVE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EQUALS 3 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE RESERVOIR.

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

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**\*\*\*\* THIS IS AN INTERBASIN TRANSFER CLAIM \*\*\*\***

**THIS APPROPRIATION OF WATER TAKES WATER FROM THE MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER DRAINAGE (BASIN 40EJ ) AND USES IT IN THE MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER DRAINAGE (BASIN 40EJ ) AND THE JUDITH RIVER DRAINAGE (BASIN 41S ). ANY OBJECTION TO THIS RIGHT MAY BE FILED DURING THE OBJECTION PERIODS FOR EITHER THE POINT OF DIVERSION OR PLACE OF USE BASIN.**

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**Water Right Number: 40EJ 146730-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM**

**Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT**

**Status: ACTIVE**

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1933

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

THIS WATER RIGHT ALSO INCLUDES NATURAL SUBIRRIGATION AS AN INCIDENTAL TYPE OF IRRIGATION.

**\*Flow Rate:** 5.30 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.

PRIMARILY A DIRECT FLOW SYSTEM; FLOW RATE RETAINED.

**\*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:** 140.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF 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		SENWNW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

HEADGATE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** WALKER SPRING DAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENWNW	16	17N	19E	FERGUS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 6.00 FEET

**Depth:** 3.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.20 ACRES

**Capacity:** 0.24 ACRE-FEET

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

**Period of Use:** APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 31

**Place of Use:**

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1	90.00			8	17N	19E	FERGUS
2	50.00		W2	9	17N	19E	FERGUS
<b>Total:</b>	140.00						

**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 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.

THIS INTERBASIN TRANSFER CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE 41S BASIN TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/17/1984.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146731-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROGER E LIPKE  
PO BOX 465  
HILGER, MT 59451 0465

LORRAINE A LIPKE  
722 HICKORY LN  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

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

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**\*Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** WATER SPREADING

**\*Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF DIRECT FLOW WATER SPREADING.

**\*Volume:** 43.40 AC-FT

THE VOLUME OF THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 1.4 ACRE-FEET PER ACRE GUIDELINE FOR WATER SPREADING. THE VOLUME MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

**Climatic Area:** 5 - LOW

**Maximum Acres:** 31.00

**\*Source Name:** DEER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS DEER CREEK, MIDDLE FORK

**\*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	22	17N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DIVERSION DAM

\*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		N2	SENE	21	17N	19E FERGUS
2	25.50			S2NW	22	17N	19E FERGUS
3	3.50		N2	NWSW	22	17N	19E FERGUS
<b>Total:</b>	31.00						

Remarks:

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 146734-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** KEITH L ARNTZEN  
577 ARNTZEN LN  
HILGER, MT 59451

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1946

**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 COTTONWOOD CREEK, 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	WSE	27	19N	19E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: NO. 15

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESWSE	27	19N	19E	FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.60 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SESWSE	27	19N	19E	FERGUS

**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**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152567-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** DOROTHY M EHLANG  
103 STILLWATER LN  
BILLINGS, MT 59101  
  
HELEN L BLEY  
1001 15TH NW  
GREAT FALLS, MT 59401  
  
BETTY J SANFORD  
2851 BELMONT RD  
CASPER, WY 82604

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS EHLANG SPRINGS

**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	15	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			SWSENE	15	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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.**

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 02/05/2010 , THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY DANIEL O AND MICHAEL J EHLANG.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152895-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**\*Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 15, 1898

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 11.40 CFS

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:** 5 - LOW

**Maximum Acres:** 300.90

**\*Source Name:** RUBY CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

**\*Source Name:** C K 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		N	W	10	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**\*Source Name:** C K CREEK

**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>
2		SWSWNE	15	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>*Source Name:</b> C K CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> HEADGATE						
3		SENE	33	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>*Source Name:</b> RUBY CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> HEADGATE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> 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	60.00		W2E2	3	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
2	4.20		NENSW	3	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
3	28.00		SWSE	10	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
4	7.30		W2SWSW	14	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
5	58.70		NE	15	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
6	32.70		N2SE	15	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
7	38.80		SESE	15	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
8	49.00		NE	22	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
9	8.00		W2W2NW	23	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
10	14.20		E2SE	33	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	<b>300.90</b>						

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/30/2014: IRRIGATION METHOD, POINT OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES, FLOW RATE.

THE PERIOD OF USE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/25/1999.

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.

THE CLAIMS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT MAY BE A MULTIPLE USE OF THE SAME RIGHT. THESE CLAIMS MAY NEED A MULTIPLE USE REMARK. 152895-00, 152904-00, 152905-00, 152906-00.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL GROWING SEASON FOR THIS CLIMATIC AREA WHICH IS APRIL 25 TO OCTOBER 5.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-156 AND 178-189 , DATED 10/04/1980 AND 10/06/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.



AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). AZS-10W-102 AND AZS-10W-206 , DATED 08/04/1959 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE PRIORITY DATE OF THIS CLAIM IS UNCLEAR AS MULTIPLE PRIORITY DATES HAVE BEEN CLAIMED. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING TWO SEPARATE SOURCES OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152898-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** MAY 15, 1894

**Type of Historical Right:** DECREED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** WATER SPREADING

**Flow Rate:** 4.75 CFS

**Volume:** 432.30 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 521.20

**Source Name:** ROCK 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	29		24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Period of Diversion:**

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**Ditch Name:** LIZZIE PHILLIPS DITCH

2		SWNWSE	32		24N	25E	PHILLIPS
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Reservoir:** ONSTREAM      **Reservoir Name:** J D RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u> SWSW	<u>Sec</u> 29	<u>Twp</u> 24N	<u>Rge</u> 25E	<u>County</u> PHILLIPS
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	30.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	28.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	25.00 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	350.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE E2SESE SEC 30 TWP 21N RGE 25E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE SESE SEC 30 TWP 24N RGE 25E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

**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	27.50		W2W2W2	5	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
2	163.80			6	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
3	78.30		NE	7	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
4	5.30		W2NWNW	8	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
5	2.60		S2SWSW	29	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
6	243.70			32	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	<b>521.20</b>						

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/30/2014: IRRIGATION METHOD, POINT OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES, FLOW RATE, VOLUME, PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PERIOD OF USE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/25/1999.

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

POINT OF DIVERSION AND PLACE OF USE INCLUDES GOVT LOTS 1, 2, AND 3 IN SEC 6 TWP 23N RGE 25E , PHILLIPS COUNTY.

POINT OF DIVERSION AND PLACE OF USE INCLUDES GOVT LOT 4 IN SEC 5 TWP 23N RGE 25E , PHILLIPS COUNTY.

**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 150 MINER'S INCHES DECREED IN CASE NO. 305 , PHILLIPS COUNTY. 152898-00, 152899-00.

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

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THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION FROM THE SOURCE INTO STORAGE CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL GROWING SEASON FOR THIS CLIMATIC AREA WHICH IS APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

THE PHILLIPS COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1968 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 312 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-108 , DATED 10/04/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 358 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO INCLUDE THREE SEPARATE APPROPRIATIONS OF WATER. THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IS 190 ADDITIONAL ACRES AS CITED IN THE PHILLIPS COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1968).

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING THREE SEPARATE APPROPRIATIONS OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

MULTIPLE TYPES OF IRRIGATION METHODS CLAIMED. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

BECAUSE MORE THAN ONE IRRIGATION METHOD IS CLAIMED, DNRC IS UNCERTAIN IF A FLOW RATE OR VOLUME SHOULD BE DECREED.

THE AMENDED RESERVOIR CAPACITY MAY BE INCORRECT. BASED ON THE PROVIDED SURFACE ACRES AND RESERVOIR DEPTH, THE CAPACITY APPEARS TO BE 280 ACRE-FEET.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152899-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** MAY 15, 1894

**Type of Historical Right:** DECREED

**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:** ROCK CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

SOURCE INCLUDES AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROCK 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		W2	5	23N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2			6	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
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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	7	23N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

4		W2NW	8	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

5		SWSW	29	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** DAM

6		SESE	30	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

7		SWSE	32	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

8		W2	32	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

POINT OF DIVERSION NOS. 2 THROUGH 8 INCLUDE STOCK DRINKING FROM STREAMS AND DITCHES.

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM      **Reservoir Name:** J D RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESE	30	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 6  
**Dam Height:** 30.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 28.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 25.00 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 350.00 ACRE-FEET

J D RESERVOIR VALUES TAKEN FROM AMENDMENT TO STATEMENT OF CLAIM NO. 152898-00 SUBMITTED ON 01/31/2014.

**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			W2	5	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
2				6	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
3			NE	7	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
4			W2NW	8	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
5			SWSW	29	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
6			SESE	30	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
7			SWSE	32	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
8			W2	32	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/30/2014: POINT OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, VOLUME, PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

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 WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE FILED ON THE SAME FORMERLY DECREED WATER RIGHT. THE SUM OF THE CLAIMED FLOW RATES EXCEEDS THE 150 MINER'S INCHES DECREED IN CASE NO. 305 , PHILLIPS COUNTY. 152898-00, 152899-00.

THIS CLAIM IS CLAIMING MULTIPLE MEANS OF DIVERSIONS. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

THE CLAIMS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT MAY BE A MULTIPLE USE OF THE SAME RIGHT. THESE CLAIMS MAY NEED A MULTIPLE USE REMARK. 152898-00, 152899-00.

THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING MULTIPLE APPROPRIATIONS OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

THE AMENDED RESERVOIR CAPACITY MAY BE INCORRECT. BASED ON THE PROVIDED SURFACE ACRES AND RESERVOIR DEPTH, THE CAPACITY APPEARS TO BE 280 ACRE-FEET.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152900-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1920

**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:** MISSOURI 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		N2S2	7	21N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NWSWSW	7	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		S2S2	8	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
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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>
4		W2SW	8	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		S2S2	9	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		S2	10	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		S2SW	11	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		S2S2	12	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		S2S2	7	21N	28E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		S2S2	8	21N	28E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		E2	9	21N	28E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		N2SW	9	21N	28E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> 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			N2S2	7	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
2			NWSWSW	7	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
3			S2S2	8	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
4			W2SW	8	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
5			S2S2	9	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
6			S2	10	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
7			S2SW	11	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
8			S2S2	12	21N	27E	PHILLIPS
9			S2S2	7	21N	28E	PHILLIPS
10			S2S2	8	21N	28E	PHILLIPS
11			E2	9	21N	28E	PHILLIPS
12			N2SW	9	21N	28E	PHILLIPS

**Place of Use:**

ID      Acres Govt Lot                      Qtr Sec    Sec    Twp    Rge    County

THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE WITHIN THE HIGHWATER MARKS OF FORT PECK RESERVOIR. WATER WOULD ONLY BE AVAILABLE IN MUCH OF THE PLACE OF USE DURING EXCEEDINGLY WET YEARS AND THEN ONLY EARLY IN THE YEAR.

**Remarks:**

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

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 05/02/2012 , THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY USDI BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT.

THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE HAS FENCED OFF MOST OF THE MISSOURI RIVER RIPARIAN AREA FORMERLY EXPOSED FOR LIVESTOCK WATERING AND REPLACED THE INSTREAM USE WITH NUMEROUS SMALL OFF-STREAM STOCK WATER RESERVOIRS. THEY OWN THE PLACE OF USE AND POINT OF DIVERSION AND CONTROL THE RESERVOIRS. THE USE OF THIS WATER RIGHT AS ORIGINALLY CLAIMED IS QUESTIONABLE.

THE POINTS OF DIVERSION APPEAR TO BE INCORRECT. SEE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

A RESERVOIR STORAGE RIGHT ON THIS CLAIM MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE DAM IS LOCATED ON ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL'S PROPERTY WHICH IS COVERED BY CLAIM NO. 123456 -00.

THE CLAIMED SOURCE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. BASED ON AVAILABLE DATA, THE SOURCE MAY BE SURFACE WATER FROM VARIOUS RESERVOIRS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152901-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 4, 1964

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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		NEN	SW 25	24N	26.5E	PHILLIPS

**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 25	24N	26.5 E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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POINT OF DIVERSION AND PLACE OF USE ARE LOCATED IN TWP 24N RGE 26.5E SEC25, PHILLIPS COUNTY.

**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:** 40EJ 152902-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** FEBRUARY 6, 1962

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSE	10	24N	26E	PHILLIPS

**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			NWSE	10	24N	26E	PHILLIPS

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**Remarks:**

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152902-00 152903-00

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152903-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** FEBRUARY 6, 1962

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 8.00 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		NWSE	10	24N	26E	PHILLIPS

**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	1.50		NWSE	10	24N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	1.50						

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152904-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 26, 1898

**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:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS PETERS 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	15	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Place of Use:**

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152905-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 26, 1898

**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:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K 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	15	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**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	15	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152906-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 26, 1898

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**\*Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 20.00 GPM

**Volume:** 5.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 2

**Maximum Acres:** 1.50

**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K 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	15	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** UNDEVELOPED SPRING

PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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	1.50		NESESE	15	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Total:** 1.50

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THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152907-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 1, 1897

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 4.70 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 124.00

**Source Name:** CAMP 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	SW	21	24N	26E PHILLIPS

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

**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	32.00		SWSE	21	24N	26E	PHILLIPS
2	11.00		NE	28	24N	26E	PHILLIPS
3	75.00		NW	28	24N	26E	PHILLIPS
4	6.00		N2SW	28	24N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	124.00						

**Remarks:**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152908-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** MARCH 20, 1916

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** C K 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	23N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		W2	6	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		W2NE	7	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
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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>
4		NENW	7	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		S2SE	17	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SENE	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		W2NW	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NWSE	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		S2SE	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		NESW	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		SWSW	26	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		SWNE	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
13		NWNW	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
14		S2NW	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
15		N2SE	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
16		SESE	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
17		NENE	28	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
18		S2NE	35	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> 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>
19		N2NW	35	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
20		SENW	35	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
21		N2SE	35	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
22		SWSWSW	25	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
23		SWNE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
24		SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
25		E2SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> DAM						
26		NW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> DAM						
27		NW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM      **Reservoir Name:** HENSEN RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	E2SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 25				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	12.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	4.50 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	18.00 ACRE-FEET				

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM      **Reservoir Name:** LAZY J-D NO. 2

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 26				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	15.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	32.00 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	166.40 ACRE-FEET				

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE NESENE SEC 35 TWP 24N RGE 25E PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
 THE CAPACITY HAS BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

**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	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
2			W2	6	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
3			W2NE	7	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
4			NENW	7	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
5			S2SE	17	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
6			SENE	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
7			W2NW	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
8			NWSE	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
9			S2SE	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
10			NESW	21	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
11			SWSW	26	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
12			SWNE	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
13			NWNW	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
14			S2NW	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
15			N2SE	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
16			SESE	27	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
17			NENE	28	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
18			S2NE	35	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
19			N2NW	35	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
20			SENE	35	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
21			N2SE	35	23N	26E	PHILLIPS
22			SWSWSW	25	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
23			SWNE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
24			SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
25			E2SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
26			NW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
27			NW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

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AN AMENDMENT WAS SUBMITTED 01/30/2014 TO AMEND THE SOURCE, POINT OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, FLOW RATE, VOLUME . THE AMENDMENT SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGES THE ORIGINALLY FILED STATEMENT OF CLAIM.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING THREE SEPARATE SOURCES OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152909-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SQUARE BUTTE GRAZING ASSN  
PO BOX 793  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 0793

NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 23, 1899

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** WATER SPREADING

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 CFS

**Volume:** 74.40 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 191.30

**Source Name:** ALDER 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		NWSWNW	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS	

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

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

2		SWNESE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**Reservoir:** ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u> SWNESE	<u>Sec</u> 26	<u>Twp</u> 24N	<u>Rge</u> 25E	<u>County</u> PHILLIPS
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 2				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	8.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	4.20 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	13.40 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	7.00		SWSWSW	25	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
2	31.80		SENE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
3	19.40		NENW	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
4	15.50		N2SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
5	37.00		NWSE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
6	12.60		NESW	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
7	15.00		NENE	35	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
8	14.80		NWNW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
9	38.20		S2NW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	191.30						

**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.

152909-00 152914-00 152924-00

THE PERIOD OF USE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/25/1999.

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AN AMENDMENT WAS SUBMITTED ON 01/30/2014 REQUESTING TO AMEND THE METHOD OF IRRIGATION, SOURCE, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES, FLOW RATE, PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT . THE AMENDMENT HAS NOT BEEN IMPLEMENTED AS IT HAS NOT BEEN SIGNED BY ALL OWNERS OF DNRC RECORD. ALSO, AS THE AMENDMENT INCLUDES TWO IRRIGATION METHODS, MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

THE PHILLIPS COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1968 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-156 , DATED 10/05/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PHILLIPS COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1968 ) IDENTIFIES THE PRIORITY DATE AS 12/06/1907 OR 07/09/1908.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152910-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** AUGUST 10, 1909

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** WATER SPREADING

**\*Flow Rate:** 4.36 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE GUIDELINE OF 17 GPM PER ACRE . THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

**Volume:** 105.80 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 115.10

**\*Source Name:** ALDER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALDER CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS COAL BUTTE COULEE

**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 13	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALDER CREEK

**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>
2		SE	14	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

\*Source Name: ALDER CREEK  
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
Diversion Means: DAM

Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: SCHOOLHOUSE (VOSS) RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SE	14	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 2  
Dam Height: 6.00 FEET  
Depth: 5.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 20.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 40.00 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	22.70		SWSW	24	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
2	92.40		W2W2	25	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Total:** 115.10

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/30/2014: IRRIGATION METHOD, SOURCE, POINT OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES, FLOW RATE, VOLUME, PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PERIOD OF USE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/25/1999.

**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.  
THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL GROWING SEASON FOR THIS CLIMATIC AREA WHICH IS APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

THE PHILLIPS COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1968 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 60 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-156 , DATED 10/05/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION FOR POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 2 COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE FILE. THIS CLAIMED POINT OF DIVERSION CANNOT BE CONFIRMED.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE, IT APPEARS WATER FROM THE SOURCE WAS FIRST USED IN AUGUST 5, 1909.

MULTIPLE TYPES OF IRRIGATION METHODS CLAIMED. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

BECAUSE MORE THAN ONE IRRIGATION METHOD IS CLAIMED, DNRC IS UNCERTAIN IF A FLOW RATE OR VOLUME SHOULD BE DECREED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152911-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1957

**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:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF CAMP 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		NW	32	24N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A PIPELINE AND STOCK TANK.

**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	32	24N	26E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152912-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1964

**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 SEVENMILE 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	SE	SE	24	23N	25E PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NE	SE	SE	23N	25E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 12.00 FEET  
Depth: 9.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.30 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.68 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	23N	25E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152913-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 1, 1958

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**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		SWSESW	21	24N	26E	PHILLIPS

**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			SWSESW	21	24N	26E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152914-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 15, 1897

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** WATER SPREADING

**Flow Rate:** 7.00 CFS

**\*Volume:** 80.00 AC-FT

THE VOLUME OF THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 2.0 ACRE-FEET PER ACRE GUIDELINE FOR WATER SPREADING. THE VOLUME MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 191.30

**\*Source Name:** C K CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

**\*Source Name:** GROUSE GULCH

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS GROUSE POINT CREEK

ALSO KNOWN AS GROUSE 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		SWNWNW	22	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**\*Source Name:** GROUSE GULCH  
**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

2		SWNESE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
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**\*Source Name:** C K CREEK  
**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** DAM

WATER DIVERTED FROM GROUSE GULCH, ALSO KNOWN AS GROUSE CREEK OR GROUSE POINT CREEK, IS CONVEYED TO ALDER CREEK WHICH IS USED AS A NATURAL CARRIER TO CONVEY WATER TO THE PLACE OF USE.

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** HENSEN RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	E2SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 2  
**Dam Height:** 12.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 10.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 4.50 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 18.00 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	7.00		SWSWSW	25	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
2	31.80		SENE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
3	19.40		NENW	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
4	15.50		N2SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
5	37.00		NWSE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
6	12.60		NESW	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
7	15.00		NENE	35	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
8	14.80		NWNW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
9	38.20		S2NW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Total:** 191.30

**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.

152909-00 152914-00 152924-00

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/30/2014: IRRIGATION METHOD, SOURCE, POINT OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES, FLOW RATE, PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PERIOD OF USE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/25/1999.

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. THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL GROWING SEASON FOR THIS CLIMATIC AREA WHICH IS APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-156 , DATED 10/05/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). AZS-13W-33 , DATED 08/04/1959 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION FOR POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 2 COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE FILE. THIS CLAIMED POINT OF DIVERSION CANNOT BE CONFIRMED.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE IS 1897 OR 07/21/1900.

MULTIPLE TYPES OF IRRIGATION METHODS CLAIMED. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

BECAUSE MORE THAN ONE IRRIGATION METHOD IS CLAIMED, DNRC IS UNCERTAIN IF A FLOW RATE OR VOLUME SHOULD BE DECREED.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING TWO SEPARATE SOURCES OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152915-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1930

**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:** BEAUCHAMP 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		NWNENW	11	23N	27E	PHILLIPS	

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NW	14	23N	27E	PHILLIPS
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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			NWN	11	23N	27E	PHILLIPS
2			NW	14	23N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/16/2013: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

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THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OR ALL OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LAND.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152916-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1957

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 3.00 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 C K 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		NENWNE	9	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING  
PIPELINE AND TANK USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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			SWNENE	9	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152917-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1959

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 3.00 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 BEAUCHAMP 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		SESESE	25	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A PIPELINE AND STOCK TANK.

**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	25	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152918-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1957

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 10.00 GPM

**Volume:** 6.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 6.00

**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SPRING 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		NENENE	14	23N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

PUMP USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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	6.00		NENENE	14	23N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Total:** 6.00

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-112 , DATED 10/04/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE USED FOR DOMESTIC IRRIGATION PURPOSES.

THE POINTS OF DIVERSION APPEAR TO BE INCORRECT. SEE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE INADEQUATE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE.

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152919-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1957

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 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 BEAUCHAMP 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	4	24N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A PIPELINE AND STOCK TANK.

**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	4	24N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152920-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1957

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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 RUBY 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	3	NENENW	3	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

PIPELINE, TANK, AND CURB USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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		3	NENENW	3	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152921-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1942

**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:** MANMADE PIT, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROCK 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	NE	SW	22	23N	25E PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** PIT

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENE SW	22	23N	25E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Depth: 5.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 15.30 ACRES  
Capacity: 38.25 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY HAS BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

\*Place of Use:

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1			SENE SW	22	23N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/30/2014: PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PIT VALUES, FLOW RATE, VOLUME, PERIOD OF USE.

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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1957

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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.

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**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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

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1		NENENE	32	25N	26E	PHILLIPS

**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	32	25N	26E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152923-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1957

**\*Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 10.00 GPM

**Volume:** 3.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 1.00

**Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BEAUCHAMP CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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

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1		NENENE	32	25N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A PIPELINE.

**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		NENENE	32	25N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Total:** 1.00

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152924-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**\*Priority Date:** JULY 9, 1908

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.50 CFS

**Volume:** 7.20 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 191.30

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

**\*Source Name:** C K CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WHITMORE SPRING 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		NWSWNW	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K CREEK

**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>
2		SWNESE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

\*Source Name: C K CREEK  
 Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
 Diversion Means: DAM

WATER DIVERTED FROM AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K CREEK, ALSO KNOWN AS WHITMORE SPRING CREEK, IS CONVEYED TO ALDER CREEK WHICH IS USED AS A NATURAL CARRIER TO CONVEY WATER TO THE PLACE OF USE.

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: HENSEN RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	E2SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 2  
 Dam Height: 12.00 FEET  
 Depth: 10.00 FEET  
 Surface Area: 4.50 ACRES  
 Capacity: 18.00 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	7.00		SWSWSW	25	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
2	31.80		SENE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
3	19.40		NENW	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
4	15.50		N2SE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
5	37.00		NWSE	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
6	12.60		NESW	26	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
7	15.00		NENE	35	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
8	14.80		NWNW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
9	38.20		S2NW	36	24N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	191.30						

**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.

152909-00    152914-00    152924-00

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AN AMENDMENT WAS SUBMITTED 01/30/2014 TO AMEND THE PURPOSE, SOURCE, POINT OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES, FLOW RATE, PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT . THE AMENDMENT SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGES THE ORIGINALLY FILED STATEMENT OF CLAIM.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL GROWING SEASON FOR THIS CLIMATIC AREA WHICH IS APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

THE PHILLIPS COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1968 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-156 , DATED 10/05/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION FOR POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 2 COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE FILE. THIS CLAIMED POINT OF DIVERSION CANNOT BE CONFIRMED.

MULTIPLE TYPES OF IRRIGATION METHODS CLAIMED. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

BECAUSE MORE THAN ONE IRRIGATION METHOD IS CLAIMED, DNRC IS UNCERTAIN IF A FLOW RATE OR VOLUME SHOULD BE DECREED.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING TWO SEPARATE SOURCES OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152925-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** NINE BAR SIX INC  
53641 US HWY 191 S  
ZORTMAN, MT 59546 9609

**\*Priority Date:** MARCH 25, 1982

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

**Flow Rate:** 12.00 GPM

**Volume:** 3.00 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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SES	WSE	6	23N	25E PHILLIPS

**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		SE	SW	23N	25E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	1.00						

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THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT. SEE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152926-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 24, 1963

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 3.00 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		SWSWNE	1	21N	27E	PHILLIPS

**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	1	21N	27E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152927-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LAZY JD CATTLE CO  
2401 LAZY JD RD  
DODSON, MT 59524

**\*Priority Date:** MAY 16, 1968

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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 CLINE 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		NESWSW	8	23N	27E	PHILLIPS

**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>
	W2SW	8	23N	27E	PHILLIPS
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	27.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	21.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	11.23 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	94.30 ACRE-FEET				

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE SENESE SEC 7 TWP 23N RGE 27E PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
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			SENESE	7	23N	27E	PHILLIPS
2			W2SW	8	23N	27E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152928-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LUCILLE F MITCHELL  
4736 MITCHELL RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9714

WINSTON H MITCHELL  
4736 MITCHELL RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9714

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1954

**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 CABIN 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		NESWNW	33	25N	23E	PHILLIPS	

**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>
	NESWNW	33	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 10.00 FEET  
Depth: 7.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.70 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.96 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			NESWNW	33	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LUCILLE F MITCHELL  
4736 MITCHELL RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9714

WINSTON H MITCHELL  
4736 MITCHELL RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9714

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1954

**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 CABIN CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS CABIN COULEE

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

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1		NWNENW	34	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

**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>
	NENW	34	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 3.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 14.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

\*Place of Use:

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1			NENW	34	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152930-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** WINSTON H MITCHELL  
4736 MITCHELL RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9714  
  
LUCILLE F MITCHELL  
4736 MITCHELL RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9714

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1935

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*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 WINTER 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		SES	WNE	4	24N	23E PHILLIPS

**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>
	E2SWNE	4	24N	23E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 10.00 FEET  
Depth: 7.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.40 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.12 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			E2SWNE	4	24N	23E	PHILLIPS

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152931-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

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

**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:** SQUAW CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS SQUAW CREEK, SOUTH FORK

**\*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	14	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

**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>
	SESWSE	14	25N	23E	PHILLIPS
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	12.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	9.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	1.50 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	5.40 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SESWSE	14	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152932-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1950

**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 BULL 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		E2E	2NE 30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM



\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	E2E	2NE	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 22.00 FEET  
Depth: 5.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 10.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 20.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			E2E	2NE	30	25N	24E PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/16/2013: ANIMAL UNITS, SOURCE, POINT OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, FLOW RATE, VOLUME, PRIORITY DATE, PERIOD OF USE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152933-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1960

**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:** CABIN CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS CABIN COULEE

**\*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		W2NWSE	23	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

**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>
	NWSE	23	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 3.60 ACRES  
Capacity: 14.40 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			NWSE	23	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152934-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1905

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**\*Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC  
THE CLAIMED SPRING IS USED IN THREE HOMES AND TWO BARN.

**Flow Rate:** 25.00 GPM

**Volume:** 8.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 3

**Maximum Acres:** 1.50

**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BULL 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		NE	SW	20	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** SPRING BOX  
PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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		SWSW	20	25N	24E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	1.50						

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/29/1996: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152935-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1962

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Name:** CABIN CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS CABIN COULEE

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1		W2W	2SW	23	25N	23E PHILLIPS

**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>
	S2NWSW	23	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 3.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 12.00 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE N2SWSW SEC 23 TWP 25N RGE 23E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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1			S2NWSW	23	25N	23E	PHILLIPS
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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152936-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

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

**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:** SQUAW CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS SQUAW CREEK, NORTH FORK

**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	SESE	14	25N	23E PHILLIPS

**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>
	W2SESE	14	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 12.00 FEET  
Depth: 9.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.80 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.88 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			W2SESE	14	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152937-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1945

**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 BULL CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS BULL CREEK, WEST FORK

**\*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	19	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2	NESW	19	25N	24E PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 150.00 FEET  
Depth: 50.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 11.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 220.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESW	19	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 08/13/2013: ANIMAL UNITS, POINT OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, FLOW RATE, VOLUME, PRIORITY DATE, PERIOD OF USE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152938-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

WATER RIGHT OWNERSHIP UPDATE RECEIVED 05/23/1994.

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1937

**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 BULL 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	31	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

**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>
	E2NESW	31	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.90 ACRES  
Capacity: 7.60 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			E2NESW	31	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 09/04/2013: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30067225 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152939-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

WILLIAMS LAND & CATTLE CO - ESTATE OF YEARS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

WINSTON AND LUCILLE MITCHELL WITHDREW THEIR INTEREST IN THIS WATER RIGHT ON 07/16/2013.

**\*Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 19, 1901

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** WATER SPREADING

**\*Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF DIRECT FLOW WATER SPREADING.

**\*Volume:** 82.00 AC-FT

THE VOLUME OF THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN REDUCED TO THE 2.0 ACRE-FEET PER ACRE GUIDELINE FOR WATER SPREADING. THE VOLUME MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 41.00

**Source Name:** CABIN CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS CABIN COULEE

**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		N2SWSW	23	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DIVERSION DAM

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		S2S2SE	22	25N	23E	PHILLIPS
2	36.00		E2	27	25N	23E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	41.00						

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/21/2013: POINT OF DIVERSION, MEANS OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

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

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-83 , DATED 10/06/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152940-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

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

**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:** SQUAW CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS SQUAW CREEK, SOUTH FORK

**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	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

**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>
	SESESE	14	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.40 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.28 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152941-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 15, 1949

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** WATER SPREADING

**\*Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF DIRECT FLOW WATER SPREADING.

**Volume:** 124.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 62.00

**\*Source Name:** SQUAW 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	24	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DIVERSION DAM

**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	62.00		W2	24	25N	23E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	62.00						

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/21/2013: POINT OF DIVERSION, MEANS 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.**

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-28 , DATED 10/06/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152942-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1937

**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 BULL 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	1	SENE	6	24N	24E	PHILLIPS

**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>
1	SENE	6	24N	24E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.70 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.80 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	SENE	6	24N	24E	PHILLIPS

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152943-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1937

**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 BULL 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	3	SENENW	6	24N	24E	PHILLIPS

**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>
3	SE	6	24N	24E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.60 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.40 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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		3	SE	6	24N	24E	PHILLIPS

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152944-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SQUARE BUTTE GRAZING ASSN  
PO BOX 793  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 0793

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1935

**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 CABIN 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	29	25N	23E PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM



\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SE	SE	SE	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 12.00 FEET  
Depth: 9.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.10 ACRES  
Capacity: 3.96 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152945-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

WILLIAMS LAND & CATTLE CO - ESTATE OF YEARS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 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.

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SQUAW CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS MILLER 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		NESESE	20	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

**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	20	25N	23E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 152946-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GERRY WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

LORRI L WILLIAMS  
519 WILLIAMS RD  
DODSON, MT 59524 9717

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

**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:** 56.80 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 28.40

**\*Source Name:** BULL CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BULL CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

THIS WATER RIGHT INCLUDES MULTIPLE DIVERSIONS LOCATED ON BULL CREEK AND UNNAMED TRIBUTARIES OF BULL 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		E2E2NE	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BULL CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: DAM						
2		SESENE	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS
*Source Name: BULL CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: DAM						
3		SWSENE	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS
*Source Name: BULL CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: DAM						
4		S2SWNE	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS
*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BULL CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: DAM						

MEANS OF DIVERSION FOR POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 1 INCLUDES A HEADGATE.

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	E2E2NE	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1				
Dam Height:	22.00 FEET				
Depth:	5.00 FEET				
Surface Area:	10.00 ACRES				
Capacity:	20.00 ACRE-FEET				

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESENE	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 2				
Dam Height:	11.00 FEET				
Depth:	8.00 FEET				
Surface Area:	0.70 ACRES				
Capacity:	2.24 ACRE-FEET				

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSENE	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 3				
Dam Height:	11.00 FEET				
Depth:	8.00 FEET				
Surface Area:	0.50 ACRES				
Capacity:	1.60 ACRE-FEET				

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2SWNE	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS	
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 4					
<b>Dam Height:</b>	11.00 FEET					
<b>Depth:</b>	8.00 FEET					
<b>Surface Area:</b>	1.10 ACRES					
<b>Capacity:</b>	3.52 ACRE-FEET					

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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

THE LARGE RESERVOIR (DIVERSION NO. 1) EXTENDS INTO THE SWSWNW SEC 29 TWP 25N RGE 24E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

**Period of Use:** MAY 1 TO JULY 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	28.40		E2	30	25N	24E	PHILLIPS
<b>Total:</b>	28.40						

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/21/2013: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES, VOLUME, PERIOD OF USE.

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

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-185 , DATED 10/06/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). AZS-10W-60 , DATED 08/04/1959 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 13.8 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 153338-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** WITHDRAWN

**Owners:** JS RANCH LTD  
PO BOX 3600  
MANCHESTER, NH 03105 3600

**Priority Date:**

**Enforceable Priority Date:**

**Type of Historical Right:**

**Purpose (use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:**

**Volume:**

**Source Name:** HANSEN CREEK

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

**Period of Use:**

**Place of Use:**

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**Remarks:**

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 10/24/2013.

**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:** 40EJ 153339-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JS RANCH LTD  
PO BOX 3600  
MANCHESTER, NH 03105 3600

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1920

**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:** DOG TOWN CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS COAL MINE COULEE

**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	3	27N	20E BLAINE

**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>
	NESESE	3	27N	20E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: FEBRUARY 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			NESESE	3	27N	20E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 153340-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JS RANCH LTD  
PO BOX 3600  
MANCHESTER, NH 03105 3600

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

**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 Type:** SURFACE WATER

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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>
1		SWNESW	11	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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>
	SWNESW	11	27N	20E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: FEBRUARY 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			SWNESW	11	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 153341-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JS RANCH LTD  
PO BOX 3600  
MANCHESTER, NH 03105 3600

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1962

**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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1		NENWNW	14	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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>
	NENWNW	14	27N	20E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.30 ACRES  
Capacity: 5.20 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE SESWSW SEC 11 TWP 27N RGE 20E  
BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY  
DNRC.

Period of Use: FEBRUARY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

\*Place of Use:

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1			SESWSW	11	27N	20E	BLAINE
2			NENWNW	14	27N	20E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 153342-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JS RANCH LTD  
PO BOX 3600  
MANCHESTER, NH 03105 3600

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1946

**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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1		NENSW	15	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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>
	NENESW	15	27N	20E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.40 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.28 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: FEBRUARY 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>
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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JS RANCH LTD  
PO BOX 3600  
MANCHESTER, NH 03105 3600

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1927

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**\*Purpose(use):** LAWN AND GARDEN

**Flow Rate:** 20.00 GPM

**Volume:** 8.00 AC-FT

**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	9	SWSENE	3	27N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

**Diversion Means:** WELL

**Period of Use:** APRIL 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		9	SESENE	3	27N	20E	BLAINE
2			NWNESE	3	27N	20E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 10/24/2013: MAXIMUM ACRES, PRIORITY DATE.

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 PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME EXCEEDS THE 3.75 ACRE-FEET GUIDELINE FOR THIS PURPOSE. ITS ACCURACY CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA.

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155151-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 LEWIS 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		SESENW	19	28N	20E	BLAINE

**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			SESENW	19	28N	20E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155152-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 8, 1897

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 2.61 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 69.00

**Source Name:** GAP 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		NEN	SW 25	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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	34.00		SWSE	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
2	12.00		SESW	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
3	23.00		NWNE	36	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	69.00						

**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.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 3 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155153-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 10, 1913

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 1.70 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 45.00

**Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS GOLD 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		NENSW	30	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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	45.00		W2SE	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	45.00						

**Remarks:**

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. 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. 155153-00, 155157-00.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155154-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 1, 1950

**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:** 210.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 70.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LEWIS 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	SESW	24	28N	19E BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: LEWIS CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NESESW	24	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	11.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	8.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	1.00 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	3.20 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: MARCH 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	70.00		NW	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	70.00						

Remarks:

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE EXCESSIVE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EQUALS 65 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE RESERVOIR.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155155-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 20, 1912

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 4.51 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 119.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LEWIS 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	SW	24	28N 19E BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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	70.00		NW	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
2	10.00		NWSE	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
3	39.00		N2SW	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	119.00						

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155156-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 1, 1950

**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:** 477.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 159.00

**Source Name:** GAP 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		NENWSW	25	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

PUMP, PIPELINE AND DITCH USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: GAP CREEK RESERVOIR NO.2

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENWSW	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	5.00 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	20.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE S2SWNW SEC 25 TWP 28N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: MARCH 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	80.00		NW	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
2	30.00		W2SE	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
3	49.00		SW	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	159.00						

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155157-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 10, 1913

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 132.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS GOLD 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		NENSW	30	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 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	62.00		E2SE	25	28N	19E	BLAINE
2	70.00		SW	30	28N	20E	BLAINE

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>
Total:	132.00							

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. 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. 155153-00, 155157-00.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 16 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-32 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE AND ACRES IRRIGATED MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. REVIEW OF AVAILABLE DATA APPEARS TO INDICATE FEWER ACRES MAY HAVE BEEN IRRIGATED THAN HAS BEEN CLAIMED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
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**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155158-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 GAP 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		NESWNE	24	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			NESWNE	24	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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**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:** 40EJ 155159-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1925

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 10.00 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		NESWNE	24	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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		NESWNE	24	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	0.50						

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155160-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** JULY 20, 1910

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 340.00 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 20.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS NORTH FORK GAP CREEK

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

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESWNE	24	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

2		NWSWNE	24	28N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Place of Use:**

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1	20.00		SWNE	24	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	20.00						

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155161-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 1, 1931

**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:** 60.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 20.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS NORTH FORK GAP 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	24	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

WATER STORED UNDER THIS RIGHT IS RELEASED FROM JUDY RESERVOIR AND IS DIVERTED FROM THE SOURCE AT THE FOLLOWING SECONDARY POINTS OF DIVERSION: NESWNE AND NWSWNE SEC 24 TWP 28N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: JUDY RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u> SWNENE	<u>Sec</u> 24	<u>Twp</u> 28N	<u>Rge</u> 19E	<u>County</u> BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	0.50 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	2.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

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1	20.00		SWNE	24	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	20.00						

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE EXCESSIVE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EQUALS 30 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE RESERVOIR.

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155162-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 GAP 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	21	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			SWSESW	21	28N	19E	BLAINE

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155163-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 GAP 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	SE	21	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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	21	28N	19E	BLAINE

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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155164-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 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		SWNWSE	15	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNWSE	15		28N	19E	BLAINE

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155165-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(usage):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		SE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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	22	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155166-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS CASEY COULEE

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1		N2	21	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		S2SENE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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3		NWNWSE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		N2SW	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> 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	21	28N	19E	BLAINE
2			S2SENE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
3			NWNWSE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
4			N2SW	22	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155167-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 15, 1920

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 62.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS CASEY COULEE

**\*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	22	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO AUGUST 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

2		SENESW	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO AUGUST 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

Period of Use: MARCH 15 TO AUGUST 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	60.00		SE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
2	2.00		SW	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	62.00						

Remarks:

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

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE APPEARS INADEQUATE FOR THE USUAL GROWING SEASON IN THIS AREA WHICH IS APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 9 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 9 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE AND ACRES IRRIGATED MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. REVIEW OF AVAILABLE DATA APPEARS TO INDICATE FEWER ACRES MAY HAVE BEEN IRRIGATED THAN HAS BEEN CLAIMED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155168-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** JUNE 15, 1952

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 1.46 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 38.50

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS CASEY COULEE

**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	SWNE	22	28N	19E BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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	38.50		NE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	38.50						

**Remarks:**

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155169-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** JUNE 20, 1951

**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:** 100.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 100.50

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS CASEY COULEE

**\*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	22	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM      **Reservoir Name:** SKUNK COULEE RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NESW	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	6.00 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	24.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

**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	38.50		E2NE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
2	60.00		SE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
3	2.00		NENESW	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	100.50						

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

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL GROWING SEASON FOR THIS CLIMATIC AREA WHICH IS APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 28 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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THE CLAIMED SOURCE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. BASED ON THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1967) THE SOURCE MAY BE SURFACE WATER FROM A DIFFERENT UNNAMED TRIBUTARY.

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

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155170-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 1, 1958

**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:** 36.30 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 12.10

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS CASEY COULEE

**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	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

PUMP AND PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: JOEY

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSWNW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	2.50 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	10.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: MARCH 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	12.10		E2E2NE	22	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	12.10						

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

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE EXCESSIVE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EQUALS 3.6 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE RESERVOIR.

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**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155178-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1940

**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 ALS CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS OWL 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		NWSWNE	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

**\*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>
	NWSWNE	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

Remarks:

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155179-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1955

**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 ALS 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		NESWNW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

**\*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>
	NESWNW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESWNW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

EXISTENCE OF THE CLAIMED RESERVOIR CANNOT BE CONFIRMED WITH AVAILABLE DATA.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155227-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**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 HEDGES 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			NWNESE	25	28N	18E	BLAINE

**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	NESE	25	28N	18E BLAINE

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155251-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**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 HEDGES 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			SENE	32	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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	32	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155279-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**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 COW CREEK, 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		SW	NENE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE

**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			SW	NENE	35	28N	18E BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155280-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEDGES 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			SWNENE	25	28N	18E	BLAINE

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155281-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

CLARK A HOFELDT  
450 HIGHLAND RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

BEN F HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

DOUGLAS F HOFELDT  
20485 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**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		SWSE	28	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

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1			SWSE	28	28N	19E	BLAINE

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BLAINE COUNTY RECORDS AS OF 05/10/2012 SHOWS PLACE OF USE IS OWNED BY ROBERT J HERDEGEN.

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**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155282-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		SE	21	28N	19E	BLAINE

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155286-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**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 GAP 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		SWNWSW	15	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWN	WSW	15	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155287-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**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:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, 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			NWSESE	26	28N	18E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155288-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**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 COW CREEK, 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		SE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE

**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			SE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155290-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, NORTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		SE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155291-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

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885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1			NWNESE	26	28N	18E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155298-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Name:** HEDGES 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	31	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

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2		SENE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE
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3		NWSE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

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4		S2SE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Use:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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1			SWSWNE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE
2			SENE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE
3			NWSE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE
4			S2SE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155301-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**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 HEDGES 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			NWNENE	25	28N	18E	BLAINE

**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			NWNENE	25	28N	18E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155303-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1921

**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 COW CREEK, 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			SENE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE

**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	35	28N	18E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155350-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CAROLINA A HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

RODNEY B HOFELDT  
885 TREASURE LN  
LLOYD, MT 59535

**Priority Date:** MAY 25, 1903

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 23.60

**Source Name:** COW CREEK, 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		SWNWSE	26	28N	18E	BLAINE

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	12.10		W2SE	26	28N	18E	BLAINE
2	11.50		NWNE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	23.60						

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

THE CLAIMED CONVEYANCE DITCH CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM AVAILABLE DATA.  
FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE.  
THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.  
USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-36 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155398-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** HALDEMANN, JOHN & ELIZABETH IRREVOCABLE TRUST  
% TRUSTEE  
2525 HALDEMANN RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9212

**Priority Date:** AUGUST 11, 1955

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 3.00 GPM

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF RATTLESNAKE CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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

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1	2	NWNE	6	27N	21E	BLAINE

**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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**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** HALDEMANN, JOHN & ELIZABETH IRREVOCABLE TRUST  
% TRUSTEE  
2525 HALDEMANN RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9212

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1955

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1	6	SWNENW	6	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155518-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 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 Type:** SURFACE WATER

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**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155532-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1940

**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 COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS SAWTOOTH 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		SWNWNE	28	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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			SWNWNE	28	27N	18E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155533-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1940

**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 COW CREEK, 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESWSW	20	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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>
	NESWSW	20	27N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.25 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	20	27N	19E	BLAINE

Remarks:

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

CLAIM NOS. 155533-00 AND 175812-00 MAY BE REDUNDANT CLAIMS ON THE SAME HISTORIC APPROPRIATION OF WATER. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE RIGHT ON A TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155534-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1940

**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 COW CREEK, 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	SWNE	15	27N	18E BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: DICK'S RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESWNE	15	27N	18E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.20 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.64 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SESWNE	15	27N	18E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155535-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1940

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, NORTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WEST TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK

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

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S2S2N2	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		N2SE	13	27N	18E	BLAINE
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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		S2S2N2	14	27N	18E	BLAINE
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		S2NE	15	27N	18E	BLAINE
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		E2NW	15	27N	18E	BLAINE
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NENWNW	15	27N	18E	BLAINE
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7	3	NWSW	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
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			S2S2N2	13	27N	18E	BLAINE
2			N2SE	13	27N	18E	BLAINE
3			S2S2N2	14	27N	18E	BLAINE
4			S2NE	15	27N	18E	BLAINE
5			E2NW	15	27N	18E	BLAINE
6			NENWNW	15	27N	18E	BLAINE
7		3	NWSW	18	27N	19E	BLAINE

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**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155536-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1950

**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 COW CREEK, NORTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WEST TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, NORTH FORK

**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	14	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: WEST FIELD

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENESE	14	27N	18E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	14	27N	18E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155537-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JULY 4, 1940

**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 ALS CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF OWL 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		SWSE	35	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: HANSON (COUNTY ROAD)

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SEnw	35	27N	18E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.20 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.64 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	35	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155538-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1930

**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 COW CREEK, NORTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WEST TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, NORTH FORK

**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	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

**\*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>
	SESENW	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	SE	NW	13	27N 18E BLAINE

Remarks:

**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 USE RIGHT ON A TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

EXISTENCE OF THE CLAIMED RESERVOIR CANNOT BE CONFIRMED WITH AVAILABLE DATA.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155539-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1950

**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 COW CREEK, 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			NWSESE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: SAWTOOTH BASIN

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWSESE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.10 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.32 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	22	27N	18E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155541-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 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 COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS HENDERSON FORK OF COW 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		S2SWSW	15	27N	18E	BLAINE

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK

**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		SWSWNE	16	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		E2NW	16	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		NWSE	16	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SESE	16	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SWNWNE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		N2NW	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> 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			S2SWSW	15	27N	18E	BLAINE
2			SWSWNE	16	27N	18E	BLAINE
3			E2NW	16	27N	18E	BLAINE
4			NWSE	16	27N	18E	BLAINE
5			SESE	16	27N	18E	BLAINE
6			SWNWNE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
7			N2NW	22	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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 NOS. 137798-00 AND 155541-00 MAY BE REDUNDANT CLAIMS ON THE SAME HISTORIC APPROPRIATION OF WATER. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155542-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1940

**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 COW CREEK, 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		NENWSE	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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			NENWSE	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155543-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1951

**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 COW CREEK, 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		SENE SW	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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>Twps</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155544-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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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>
1		SWSW	17	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2NWNE	20	27N	18E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		S2NE	20	27N	18E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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4		N2NW	20	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SENE	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SWSNW	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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7		N2SE	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		N2SW	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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9		NENE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
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10		S2NWE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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11		NWSWE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		S2NW	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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13		N2	23	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
14		N2	24	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
15	4	SWSW	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
16	1	NWNW	19	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
17	2	SWNW	19	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

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1			SWSW	17	27N	18E	BLAINE
2			S2NWNE	20	27N	18E	BLAINE
3			S2NE	20	27N	18E	BLAINE
4			N2NW	20	27N	18E	BLAINE
5			SENE	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
6			SWSWNW	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
7			N2SE	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
8			N2SW	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
9			NENE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
10			S2NWNE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
11			NWSWNE	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
12			S2NW	22	27N	18E	BLAINE
13			N2	23	27N	18E	BLAINE
14			N2	24	27N	18E	BLAINE
15		4	SWSW	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
16		1	NWNW	19	27N	19E	BLAINE
17		2	SWNW	19	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 12/28/2009 , A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY GEORGE DANIEL MCNEILL ET AL.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155545-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		S2SWNE	12	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

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2		NWNW	12	27N	18E	BLAINE
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5		E2E2NE	13	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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6	2	SWSWNW	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1940

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALS CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS HANSON NO. 1

**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	26	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155547-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1949

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS HANSON WEST NO. 2

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155548-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** APRIL 3, 1936

**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 COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS MOORES FORK COW 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		SE	23	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: RIEDEL'S SAWTOOTH

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u> <u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENWSE	23	27N	18E	BLAINE
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1				
Dam Height:	13.00 FEET				
Depth:	10.00 FEET				
Surface Area:	1.50 ACRES				
Capacity:	6.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE NESWSE SEC 23 TWP 27N RGE 18E BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SENWSE	23	27N	18E	BLAINE
2			NESWSE	23	27N	18E	BLAINE

Remarks:

**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 USE RIGHT ON A TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155549-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1935

**\*Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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

ALSO KNOWN AS HEADQUARTERS 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		SENE	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

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155549-00 155552-00

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155550-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 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:** ALS 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		S2NW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2NWNE	26	27N	18E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		SENE	26	27N	18E	BLAINE
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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			S2NW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE
2			S2NWE	26	27N	18E	BLAINE
3			SENE	26	27N	18E	BLAINE

Remarks:

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155551-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 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 ALS 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWSWSW	26	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2SE	27	27N	18E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		SWNWNE	35	27N	18E	BLAINE
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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>
4		N2N2NW	35	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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			SWSWSW	26	27N	18E	BLAINE
2			S2SE	27	27N	18E	BLAINE
3			SWNWNE	35	27N	18E	BLAINE
4			N2N2NW	35	27N	18E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LANDS.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155552-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1935

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**\*Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 10.00 GPM

**Volume:** 11.60 AC-FT

**Households:** 3

**Maximum Acres:** 5.00

**Source Name:** GROUNDWATER

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS HEADQUARTERS 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		SENE	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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	5.00		SENE	13	27N	18E	BLAINE

**Total:** 5.00

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

THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE USED FOR DOMESTIC IRRIGATION PURPOSES.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155554-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 1, 1909

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 GPM

**\*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:** 160.00

**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALS 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		SWNENW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		NENW	23	27N	18E	BLAINE
2	40.00		NWSE	24	27N	18E	BLAINE
3	80.00		E2SW	24	27N	18E	BLAINE

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>
Total:	160.00							

Remarks:

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-53 , DATED 10/07/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

DNRC EXAMINATION WAS UNABLE TO CONFIRM THE USE OF THIS WATER RIGHT. IT APPEARS THIS WATER RIGHT MAY HAVE NOT BEEN PERFECTED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155555-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** MARCH 12, 1902

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 1.63 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 43.00

**\*Source Name:** COW CREEK, 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		SWNWNW	24	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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	7.00		SWNE	24		27N	18E	BLAINE
2	36.00		NW	24		27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	43.00							

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THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON A TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155556-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** FEBRUARY 5, 1910

**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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 160.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW 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		NESESE	15	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	80.00		N2SW	14	27N	18E	BLAINE
2	40.00		SWSW	14	27N	18E	BLAINE
3	40.00		NWNW	23	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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>
Total:	160.00							

**Remarks:**

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-97 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON A TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

IT APPEARS THIS WATER RIGHT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN PERFECTED. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE, THE HEADGATE AND DITCH ARE AT A LOWER ELEVATION THAN THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE . ALL ELEMENTS OF THIS CLAIM MAY BE QUESTIONABLE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155557-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** JULY 14, 1906

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 160.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALS 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	26	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		NWSW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE
2	40.00		SENE	26	27N	18E	BLAINE
3	80.00		E2SE	26	27N	18E	BLAINE

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>
Total:	160.00							

Remarks:

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**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:** 40EJ 155558-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 24, 1917

**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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 160.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALS 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		SEWN	26	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	80.00		W2NW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE
2	80.00		N2NE	26	27N	18E	BLAINE

**Total:** 160.00

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155559-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 24, 1914

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 3.03 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 80.00

**Source Name:** ALS 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	26	27N	18E BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Place of Use:**

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1	80.00		W2	SW	24	27N	18E BLAINE

**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:	80.00						

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155560-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 11, 1919

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 4.55 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 120.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, NORTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS CAMPBELL COULEE

**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	10	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		NESE	11	27N	18E	BLAINE
2	80.00		N2SW	12	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	120.00						

**Remarks:**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155561-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** MAY 13, 1907

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 55.00

**\*Source Name:** COW 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		SWNWSE	18	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	13.00		SWSW	17	27N	18E	BLAINE
2	3.00		NWSE	18	27N	18E	BLAINE
3	39.00		S2SE	18	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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:	55.00						

**Remarks:**

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THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155562-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 10, 1909

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 3.14 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 83.00

**\*Source Name:** COW CREEK, 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		E2NESE	20	27N	18E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

2		NWNESE	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**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		SWNWSE	21	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	5.00		SENE	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
2	25.00		NESE	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
3	38.00		W2SE	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
4	15.00		NESW	21	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	83.00						

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THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

THE TYPE OF IRRIGATION SYSTEM CANNOT BE CONFIRMED. IT IS UNCLEAR IF THIS RIGHT SHOULD BE DEFINED BY FLOW RATE OR VOLUME.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155807-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** WILLIAM POWELL  
PO BOX 456  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** APRIL 15, 1910

**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 COW 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	29	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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	29	27N	20E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155808-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JD TALL HOLDINGS LLC  
118 BRECKENRIDGE DR  
WEXFORD, PA 15090 9400

**Priority Date:** JULY 25, 1949

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 3.79 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 17 GPM PER ACRE.  
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**\*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:** 100.00

**Source Name:** COW 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		SWNESE	1	26N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

2		SWNWNE	6	26N	21E	BLAINE
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**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1.00		E2SESE	1	26N	20E	BLAINE
2	32.00		S2SW	6	26N	21E	BLAINE
3	42.00		W2NE	7	26N	21E	BLAINE
4	25.00		N2NW	7	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	100.00						

THE PLACE OF USE INCLUDES GOVT LOT 1 IN SEC 7 TWP 26N RGE 21E BLAINE COUNTY.

THE PLACE OF USE INCLUDES GOVT LOT 7 IN SEC 6 TWP 26N RGE 21E BLAINE COUNTY.

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 478-82 , DATED 07/04/1981 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 57 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155809-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JD TALL HOLDINGS LLC  
118 BRECKENRIDGE DR  
WEXFORD, PA 15090 9400

**Priority Date:** JUNE 10, 1921

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 1.52 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 40.00

**Source Name:** COW 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	1	26N	20E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		NESE	1	26N	20E	BLAINE

**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:	40.00						

**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. THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-60 , DATED 10/07/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 155810-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JD TALL HOLDINGS LLC  
118 BRECKENRIDGE DR  
WEXFORD, PA 15090 9400

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 16, 1903

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 160.00

**Source Name:** COW 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		NESWNE	17	26N	21E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		SWNE	17	26N	21E	BLAINE
2	80.00		N2SE	17	26N	21E	BLAINE
3	40.00		SESE	17	26N	21E	BLAINE



**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>
Total:	160.00							

**Remarks:**

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**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. THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 478-82 , DATED 07/04/1981 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

DNRC EXAMINATION WAS UNABLE TO CONFIRM THE USE OF THIS WATER RIGHT. IT APPEARS THIS WATER RIGHT MAY HAVE NOT BEEN PERFECTED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156209-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**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:** HEDGES 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	NESW 4	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NE	SESW 4	27N	19E	BLAINE
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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	NESW	4	27N	19E BLAINE
2			NE	SESW	4	27N	19E BLAINE

Remarks:

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

**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  
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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156210-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 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:** HEDGES CREEK, 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		W2SE	4	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NESW	4	27N	19E	BLAINE
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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	SENW 4	27N	19E	BLAINE
2				NESW 4	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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  
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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156211-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 20.00 GPM

**Volume:** 11.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 5.00

**\*Source Name:** HEDGES CREEK, 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		SWSE	4	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** FLOWING

**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		SWSE	4	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Total:** 5.00

**Remarks:**

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

THE CLAIMED MEANS OF DIVERSION CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM AVAILABLE DATA. FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-100 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156212-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 30, 1982

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):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 8.00 GPM

**Volume:** 11.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 5.00

**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		S	4	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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	5.00		S	W	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	5.00						

**Remarks:**

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

THIS CLAIM AND WATER RIGHT NO. 50908-00 APPEAR TO BE REDUNDANT FILINGS. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

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

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-100 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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

VOLUME MAY BE EXCESSIVE. BASED ON THE FLOW RATE AND PERIOD OF USE, THE SYSTEM WOULD HAVE TO RUN 20 HOURS PER DAY TO DELIVER THE CLAIMED VOLUME. NO INFORMATION EXISTS IN THE CLAIM FILE TO CONFIRM THIS FIGURE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156293-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GLENDA L HARTMAN  
PO BOX 1645  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1645

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 30, 1982

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.

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**\*Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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 RATTLESNAKE CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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

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1		NW	SE	35	28N	20E	BLAINE

**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			NW	35	28N	20E	BLAINE

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156294-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GLENDA L HARTMAN  
PO BOX 1645  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1645

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 30, 1982

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**Flow Rate:** 10.00 GPM

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**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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1		SWSWSE	22		28N	20E	BLAINE

**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:** 40EJ 156295-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MARK LIDDLE  
18555 COW ISLAND TRAIL E  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9271

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1946

**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:** HANSEN 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		N2NWNE	34	28N	20E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

2		NW	34	28N	20E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2NWNE	34	28N	20E	BLAINE
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1				
Dam Height:	10.00 FEET				
Depth:	7.00 FEET				
Surface Area:	3.60 ACRES				
Capacity:	10.08 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			N2NWNE	34	28N	20E	BLAINE
2			NW	34	28N	20E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156296-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** GLENDA L HARTMAN  
PO BOX 1645  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1645

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**\*Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 10.00 GPM

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**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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1		NESWNE	22	28N	20E	BLAINE	

**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:** 40EJ 156297-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MARK LIDDLE  
18555 COW ISLAND TRAIL E  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9271

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1946

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 1.89 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 17 GPM PER ACRE.  
THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

**Volume:** 200.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 50.00

**Source Name:** HANSEN CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

THIS WATER RIGHT ALSO INCLUDES SURFACE WATER FROM DAHLBERG RESERVOIR.

**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		SWNWNE	34	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A DITCH.

**Period of Use:** APRIL 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	30.00		N2NW	34	28N	20E	BLAINE
2	10.00		N2NENW	34	28N	20E	BLAINE
3	10.00		SWNW	34	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	50.00						

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156877-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOYCE J OLSON  
210 COTTONWOOD LN  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

MERLE W OLSON  
210 COTTONWOOD LN  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1949

**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 Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1			NENENE	22	24N	21E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: GIST RESERVOIR NO. 2

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENENE	22	24N	21E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 6.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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**Remarks:**

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

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OR ALL OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LAND.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156883-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MERLE W OLSON  
210 COTTONWOOD LN  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JOYCE J OLSON  
210 COTTONWOOD LN  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1945

**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 COW 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	10	24N	21E BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: GIST RESERVOIR NO. 3

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NE	SE	10	24N	21E BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.60 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.40 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	10	24N	21E BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

THIS CLAIM AND WATER RIGHT NO. 78978-00 APPEAR TO BE REDUNDANT FILINGS. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OR ALL OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LAND.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156894-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 28, 1982

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:** 7.00 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		NESWSE	25	27N	20E	BLAINE	

**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			NESWSE	25	27N	20E	BLAINE

Remarks:

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

**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:** 40EJ 156895-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

JOHN HANCOCK MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO  
7900 SE 28TH ST SUITE 400  
MERCER ISLAND, WA 98040

CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

OWNERSHIP UPDATE PROCESSED TO ADD NEW OWNERS. THE WATER RIGHT MAY BE SPLIT INTO SEPARATE WATER RIGHTS UPON REQUEST OF THE OWNERS.

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 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:** TIN CUP 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	2	NWNE	1	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		NESWNE	1	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3	3	N2NENW	1	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4	4	NENWNW	1	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SWSEW	12	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NESWNW	12	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		E2SW	12	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		S2NWSE	13	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		NWSESE	13	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		SESESE	13	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		NESWSE	13	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		E2NESW	13	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
13		NENENE	24	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
14	1	NWNW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
15		SESEW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						

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16		W2	SENW	19	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
17		S2	N2SE	19	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
18		NW	NWSE	19	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
19		E2	NESW	19	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
20		SW	SESE	20	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
21		SE	SWSE	20	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
22		W2	SWSE	20	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
23		SW	NESW	20	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
24		N2	NWSW	20	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
25		SE	NWSW	20	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
26		N2	SESW	20	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
27		SW	NWSW	26	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
28		SE	SWSW	26	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
29		W2	SWSW	26	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
30		SE	NWNE	28	27N	21E BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						

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31		W2S2NE	28	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
32		SESENE	28	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
33		NWNENW	28	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
34		SENENW	28	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
35		N2NWNW	28	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
36		NESENW	28	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
37		N2NENE	29	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
38		SWNWNE	35	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
39		N2SWNE	35	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
40		SESWNE	35	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
41		SENENW	35	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
42		W2NENW	35	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
43		NENWNW	35	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

**\*Place of Use:**

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1		2	NWNE	1	26N	21E	BLAINE
2			NESWNE	1	26N	21E	BLAINE
3		3	N2NENW	1	26N	21E	BLAINE

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4		4	NENWNW	1	26N	21E	BLAINE
5			SWSENW	12	27N	20E	BLAINE
6			NESWNW	12	27N	20E	BLAINE
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10			SESESE	13	27N	20E	BLAINE
11			NESWSE	13	27N	20E	BLAINE
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14		1	NWNW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE
15			SESENW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE
16			W2SENW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE
17			S2N2SE	19	27N	21E	BLAINE
18			NWNWSE	19	27N	21E	BLAINE
19			E2NESW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE
20			SWSESE	20	27N	21E	BLAINE
21			SESWSE	20	27N	21E	BLAINE
22			W2SWSE	20	27N	21E	BLAINE
23			SWNESW	20	27N	21E	BLAINE
24			N2NWSW	20	27N	21E	BLAINE
25			SENWSW	20	27N	21E	BLAINE
26			N2SESW	20	27N	21E	BLAINE
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32			SESENE	28	27N	21E	BLAINE
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34			SEENENW	28	27N	21E	BLAINE
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36			NESENE	28	27N	21E	BLAINE
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39			N2SWNE	35	27N	21E	BLAINE
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ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 10/20/2009 , A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156896-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1957

**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 COW 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			SWNWNE	14	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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>
	SWNWNE	14	27N	20E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.40 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.48 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SWNWNE	14	27N	20E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156897-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1968

**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 COW 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	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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	25	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWSESE	25	27N	20E	BLAINE

Remarks:

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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156898-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1944

**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 TIN CUP 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		NWNWSE	13	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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	13	27N	20E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156899-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

**\*Priority Date:** JULY 31, 1947

**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 COW 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWSE	25	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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>
	NWNWSE	25	27N	20E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 3.20 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

**Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1947

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSESE	25	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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	25	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156901-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1903

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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1		SE	SW	25	27N	20E BLAINE

**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:** 40EJ 156902-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1959

**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:** TIN CUP 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S	12	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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>
	SWSNW	12	27N	20E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 3.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 12.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SWSNW	12	27N	20E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156903-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1932

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 GPM

**Volume:** 21.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 10.00

**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		SENWSW	24	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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	10.00		SENWSW	24	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	10.00						

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**Remarks:**

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**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.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-104 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE USED FOR DOMESTIC IRRIGATION PURPOSES.

DNRC EXAMINATION WAS UNABLE TO CONFIRM THE USE OF THIS WATER RIGHT. IT APPEARS THIS WATER RIGHT MAY HAVE NOT BEEN PERFECTED.

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

VOLUME MAY BE EXCESSIVE. BASED ON THE FLOW RATE AND PERIOD OF USE, THE SYSTEM WOULD HAVE TO RUN 62 HOURS PER DAY TO DELIVER THE CLAIMED VOLUME. NO INFORMATION EXISTS IN THE CLAIM FILE TO CONFIRM THIS FIGURE.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME EXCEEDS THE MAXIMUM FEASIBLE VOLUME. BASED ON THE FLOW RATE AND PERIOD OF USE, THE MAXIMUM VOLUME POSSIBLE IS 8 ACRE-FEET PER YEAR.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156904-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** JULY 10, 1950

**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 TIN CUP 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N	29	27N	21E	BLAINE

**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>
	W2SE	29	27N	21E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 21.00 FEET  
Depth: 18.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 8.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 57.60 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE NESWNW SEC 29 TWP 27N RGE 21E BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC. 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			W2SE	29	27N	21E	BLAINE
2			NESWN	29	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156906-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SQUARE BUTTE GRAZING ASSN  
PO BOX 793  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 0793

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1947

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 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		SWNESW	22	25N	21E	BLAINE

**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			SWNESW	22	25N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156907-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 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.

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		SEWNNE	14	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156908-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1955

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 10.00 GPM

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**Source Name:** GROUNDWATER

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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

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1		NENESE	19	27N	21E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156909-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1959

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LITTLE SUCTION 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		S2SWNE	32	26N	22E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM



\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u> S2SWNE	<u>Sec</u> 32	<u>Twp</u> 26N	<u>Rge</u> 22E	<u>County</u> BLAINE
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1				
Dam Height:	13.00 FEET				
Depth:	10.00 FEET				
Surface Area:	7.00 ACRES				
Capacity:	28.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE NWSE SEC 32 TWP 26N RGE 22E BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	32	26N	22E	BLAINE
2			N2NWSE	32	26N	22E	BLAINE
3			SWNWSE	32	26N	22E	BLAINE

Remarks:

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

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LANDS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156910-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**\*Priority Date:** MARCH 31, 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.

**\*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 SUCTION 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		NWNWNE	14	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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	14	28N	21E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156911-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1948

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 1.00 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		NENWNW	28	27N	21E	BLAINE

**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			NENWNW	28	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156912-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** MAY 31, 1949

**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 TIN CUP 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		SWNESW	20	27N	21E	BLAINE

**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			SWNESW	20	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156913-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 30, 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.

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION 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	13	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156914-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*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:** LITTLE SUCTION 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	5	26N	22E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SENWSW	5	26N	22E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		W2NWSW	5	26N	22E	BLAINE
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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>
4		S2S2NE	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		S2SENE	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SES2NE	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		SESE	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		N2N2E	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		W2NENE	8	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		W2N2E	8	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		SENE	8	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		SESE	8	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
13		SWSESE	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
14		S2N2SW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
15		SESESW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
16		W2SESW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
17		E2S2SW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
18		N2S2SW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> 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			SWSWSE	5	26N	22E	BLAINE
2			SENWSW	5	26N	22E	BLAINE
3			W2NWSW	5	26N	22E	BLAINE
4			S2S2NE	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
5			S2SESW	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
6			SESWNW	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
7			NENESE	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
8			N2NWSE	6	26N	22E	BLAINE
9			W2NENE	8	26N	22E	BLAINE
10			W2NWNE	8	26N	22E	BLAINE
11			SENE	8	26N	22E	BLAINE
12			NENESE	8	26N	22E	BLAINE
13			SWSESE	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
14			S2NWSW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
15			SESESW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
16			W2SESW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
17			E2SWSW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE
18			NWSWSW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 05/24/2012 , A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY DAVID AND VIRGINIA STINSON.

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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156915-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1957

**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		SE	24	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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			SE	24	27N	20E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156916-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1950

**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 TIN CUP 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		SENESE	28		27N	21E	BLAINE

**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>
	NESE	28	27N	21E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 3.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 9.60 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			NESE	28	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156917-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1944

**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 TIN CUP 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		NWSESW	20	27N	21E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156918-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1959

**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 JOHNS 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		NENWSW	8	25N	22E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156919-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** RYAN LANKFORD  
PO BOX 71  
DODSON, MT 59524 0071

**Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1959

**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 LITTLE SUCTION 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	9	26N	22E	BLAINE

**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>
	NWNWSE	9	26N	22E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.40 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.28 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1942

**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 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	13	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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			SE	13	27N	20E	BLAINE



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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156921-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1952

**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:** TIN CUP 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNESE	19	27N	21E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWNESE	19	27N	21E	BLAINE	

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	19	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156922-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1959

**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 LITTLE SUCTION 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SENWSE	5	25N	22E	BLAINE

**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>
	S2NWSE	5	25N	22E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.70 ACRES  
Capacity: 6.80 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			S2NWSE	5	25N	22E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156923-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1959

**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 Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		SWSESE	26	27N	21E	BLAINE

**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			SWSESE	26	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156924-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1959

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**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		NWNWSW	5	26N	22E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156925-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** HARRY J LIDDLE  
23660 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

CAROLYN A LIDDLE  
23660 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1946

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** LITTLE SUCTION 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	9	NWSENE	4	25N	22E	BLAINE

**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>
9	W2SENE	4	25N	22E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 10.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 40.00 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE W2NESE SEC 4 TWP 25N RGE 22E  
BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY  
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Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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1		9	W2SENE	4	25N	22E	BLAINE
2		12	W2NESE	4	25N	22E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156926-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1959

**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 LITTLE SUCTION 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	SW	30	26N	22E BLAINE

**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>
	SESESW	30	26N	22E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.80 ACRES  
Capacity: 7.20 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	30	26N	22E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156927-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1959

**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 LITTLE SUCTION 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N2S	9	26N	22E	BLAINE

**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>
	N2SWSW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 2.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 8.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			N2SWSW	9	26N	22E	BLAINE

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156928-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 28, 1982

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:** 7.00 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		SE	SWNE	35	27N	21E BLAINE

**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	SWNE	35	27N	21E BLAINE

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 PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE IS 1982 OR 1961.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156929-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 28, 1982

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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:** 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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNENW	30	27N	22E	BLAINE

**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	27N	22E	BLAINE

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THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE IS 1961, 1963 OR 1982.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156930-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 28, 1982

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**\*Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 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		SESWNW	8	25N	22E	BLAINE

**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	SWNW	8	25N	22E BLAINE

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THE CLAIMS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT MAY BE A MULTIPLE USE OF THE SAME RIGHT. THESE CLAIMS MAY NEED A MULTIPLE USE REMARK. 156930-00, 156966-00.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156931-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 28, 1982

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**\*Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 7.00 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWN	SW	5	26N	22E BLAINE

**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	5	26N	22E BLAINE

Remarks:

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156932-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*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:** RATTLESNAKE CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		N2SWNW	19	27N	22E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SESWNW	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		SWSWSE	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
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4		SENE SW	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		W2NESW	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		E2SESW	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
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7		N2NWNE	30	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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8		SENE WNE	30	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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9		NWSENE	30	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

**Place of Use:**

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1			N2SWNW	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
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3			SWSWSE	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
4			SENE SW	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
5			W2NESW	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
6			E2SESW	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
7			N2NWNE	30	27N	22E	BLAINE
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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156933-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 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:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF TIN CUP 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		SENWSW	20	27N	21E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156934-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** HARRY J LIDDLE  
23660 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

CAROLYN A LIDDLE  
23660 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1948

**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 BUCK COULEE

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		SWNESW	31	26N	22E	BLAINE

**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>
	W2NESW	31	26N	22E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156935-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOHN HANCOCK MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO  
7900 SE 28TH ST SUITE 400  
MERCER ISLAND, WA 98040

MITCHELL RANCH  
10480 MITCHELL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1920

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(usage):** STOCK

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**Source Name:** SUCTION CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1			NE	1	26N	21E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2			W2SE	1	26N	21E	BLAINE
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3	SENE SW	1	26N	21E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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4	SESE SW	1	26N	21E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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5	W2NW NE	12	26N	21E	BLAINE	
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6	E2NW	12	26N	21E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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7	NW	6	26N	22E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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8	SWSW SE	5	27N	22E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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9	W2	5	27N	22E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10	W2E2	8	27N	22E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11	NW NE	17	27N	22E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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12	W2SE SE	19	27N	22E	BLAINE	
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13	W2SE	19	27N	22E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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14	SE NE	30	27N	22E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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15	E2SE	30	27N	22E	BLAINE	
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16	E2SW	31	27N	22E	BLAINE	
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
17	S2NE	23	28N	21E	BLAINE	
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19		N2SE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE
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20		SESE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE
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21		N2SW	24	28N	21E	BLAINE
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22		SWSWSW	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
23		NW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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24		SE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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25		NENENE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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26		SENE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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27		E2SE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE
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28		W2NW	32	28N	22E	BLAINE
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15		E2SE	30	27N	22E	BLAINE
16		E2SW	31	27N	22E	BLAINE
17		S2NE	23	28N	21E	BLAINE
18		S2NW	24	28N	21E	BLAINE
19		N2SE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE
20		SESE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE
21		N2SW	24	28N	21E	BLAINE
22		SWSWSW	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
23		NW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
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25		NENENE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE
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27		E2SE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE
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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156936-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**\*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:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		NWNENE	14	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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:** 40EJ 156937-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

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20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

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24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		NENENE	14	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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	14	28N	21E	BLAINE

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156938-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SQUARE BUTTE GRAZING ASSN  
PO BOX 793  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 0793

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1938

**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 COW 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	NE	SE	14	25N	21E BLAINE

**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>
	N2NESE	14	25N	21E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 9.00 FEET  
Depth: 6.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.10 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.24 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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:** 40EJ 156939-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MITCHELL RANCH  
10480 MITCHELL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 30, 1960

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 GPM

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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

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1	11	SWSE	1	27N	21E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

PUMP USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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		11	SWSE	1	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156940-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

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CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

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OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		NENWSW	13	28N	21E	BLAINE

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

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1			NENWSW	13	28N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156941-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

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CHINOOK, MT 59523

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156942-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1948

**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		NENWSW	8	25N	22E	BLAINE

**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			NENWSW	8	25N	22E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156943-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1910

**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 SUCTION 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		SEWNNE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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			SEWNNE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156944-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 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, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		NESWNW	13	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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			NESWNW	13	28N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156945-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1948

**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		SWSE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** WELL

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

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

THE CLAIMS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT MAY BE A MULTIPLE USE OF THE SAME RIGHT. THESE CLAIMS MAY NEED A MULTIPLE USE REMARK. 156945-00, 156964-00.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156946-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MITCHELL RANCH  
10480 MITCHELL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1960

**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 SUCTION 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	11	S	1	27N	21E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM



\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2	SENW	1	27N	21E BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
 Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
 Depth: 10.00 FEET  
 Surface Area: 1.00 ACRES  
 Capacity: 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	1	27N	21E BLAINE

THE PLACE OF USE IS LOCATED IN GOVT LOTS 6, 11 IN SEC 1 TWP 27N RGE 21E BLAINE COUNTY.

**Remarks:**

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

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT APPEAR TO BE DUPLICATE FILINGS. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

156946-00 156955-00

CLAIM NOS. 27046-00 AND 156946-00 MAY BE REDUNDANT CLAIMS ON THE SAME HISTORIC APPROPRIATION OF WATER. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156947-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

HARRY J LIDDLE  
23660 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

ZANE POWELL  
100 WILLOW RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

CAROLYN A LIDDLE  
23660 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

OWNERSHIP UPDATE PROCESSED TO ADD NEW OWNERS. THE WATER RIGHT MAY BE SPLIT INTO SEPARATE WATER RIGHTS UPON REQUEST OF THE OWNERS.

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 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:** COW CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1	4	NWNW	1	26N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		S2NW	1	26N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		N2NWSE	1	26N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4	1	NENE	2	26N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NESENE	2	26N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		S2SE	21	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		NWNENE	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NWNE	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		N2SWNE	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		E2SENW	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		SWNWSE	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		E2NESW	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> 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	NWNW	1	26N	20E	BLAINE
2			S2NW	1	26N	20E	BLAINE
3			N2NWSE	1	26N	20E	BLAINE
4		1	NENE	2	26N	20E	BLAINE
5			NESENE	2	26N	20E	BLAINE
6			S2SE	21	26N	21E	BLAINE

**\*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>
7		NWNE	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
8		NWNE	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
9		N2SWNE	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
10		E2SEW	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
11		SWNWSE	28	26N	21E	BLAINE
12		E2NESW	28	26N	21E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

**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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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 EXAMINATION RESULTS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156948-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1948

**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		NWNWSE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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			NWNWSE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

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**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 TYPE OF RIGHT MAY BE INCORRECT AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA.

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156949-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOHN HANCOCK MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO  
7900 SE 28TH ST SUITE 400  
MERCER ISLAND, WA 98040

MITCHELL RANCH  
10480 MITCHELL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 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:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
UNNAMED NATURAL LAKE

**\*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		SESW	17	27N	22E	BLAINE

**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		SWSW	17	27N	22E	BLAINE

**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			SESW	17	27N	22E	BLAINE
2			SWSW	17	27N	22E	BLAINE

**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.**

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 02/05/2010 , A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156951-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MITCHELL RANCH  
10480 MITCHELL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1960

**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 SUCTION 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		NENENW	35	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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>
	N2NENW	35	28N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	0.50 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	2.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			N2NENW	35	28N	21E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

CLAIM NOS. 27039-00 AND 156951-00 MAY BE REDUNDANT CLAIMS ON THE SAME HISTORIC APPROPRIATION OF WATER. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156952-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

RYAN LANKFORD  
PO BOX 71  
DODSON, MT 59524 0071

OWNERSHIP UPDATE PROCESSED TO ADD NEW OWNERS. THE WATER RIGHT MAY BE SPLIT INTO SEPARATE WATER RIGHTS UPON REQUEST OF THE OWNERS.

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1896

**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 SUCTION CREEK (PUTNAM LAKE)

**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		SWSWSW	17	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
2		S2SE	18	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		N2NE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		S2NE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SENENW	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NESENW	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7	1	NESE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8	3	SESE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9	2	SWSE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		NENW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		NWNW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		SENW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> 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	1	SWNW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
14	2	NWSW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
15	3	W2SWSW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
16	1	NENE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
17		NWNE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
18		E2NENW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> 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			SWSWSW	17	28N	22E	BLAINE
2			S2SE	18	28N	22E	BLAINE
3			N2NE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
4			S2NE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
5			SENENW	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
6			NESENW	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
7		1	NESE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
8		3	SESE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
9		2	SWSE	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
10			NENW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
11			NWNW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
12			SENW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
13		1	SWNW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
14		2	NWSW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
15		3	W2SWSW	20	28N	22E	BLAINE
16		1	NENE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
17			NWNE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
18			E2NENW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156953-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1958

**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:** SUCTION 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	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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>
	NWNWNW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	2.50 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	10.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE SWSWSW SEC 19 TWP 28N RGE 22E BLAINE COUNTY.

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE SESESE SEC 24 TWP 28N RGE 21E BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

**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	28N	21E	BLAINE
2			SWSWSW	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
3			NWNWNW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156954-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**\*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.

**\*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 SUCTION 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	13	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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			SE	13	28N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156955-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MITCHELL RANCH  
10480 MITCHELL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1960

**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 SUCTION 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	11	S	1	27N	21E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2	SENW	1	27N	21E BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	1	27N	21E BLAINE

THE PLACE OF USE IS LOCATED IN GOVT LOTS 6, 11 IN SEC 1 TWP 27N RGE 21E BLAINE COUNTY.

**Remarks:**

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

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT APPEAR TO BE DUPLICATE FILINGS. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

156946-00 156955-00

CLAIM NOS. 27046-00 AND 156955-00 MAY BE REDUNDANT CLAIMS ON THE SAME HISTORIC APPROPRIATION OF WATER. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156956-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1960

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWSESE	6	27N	22E	BLAINE

**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			NWSESE	6	27N	22E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156957-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1948

**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		SESWSE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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			SESWSE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE

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THE CLAIMS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT MAY BE A MULTIPLE USE OF THE SAME RIGHT. THESE CLAIMS MAY NEED A MULTIPLE USE REMARK. 156957-00, 156965-00.

THE CLAIMED TYPE OF RIGHT MAY BE INCORRECT AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156958-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1948

**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		SESENE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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	31	28N	22E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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THE CLAIMED TYPE OF RIGHT MAY BE INCORRECT AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156959-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1930

**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 RATTLESNAKE 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	WNW 30	27N	22E	BLAINE

**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>
	SENWNW	30	27N	22E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.70 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.80 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE NESWNW SEC 30 TWP 27N RGE 22E  
BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY  
DNRC.

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			SENWNW	30	27N	22E	BLAINE
2			NESWNW	30	27N	22E	BLAINE

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156960-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1930

**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		NENENW	30	27N	22E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N	E	N	W	22E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 6.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			N	E	N	W	22E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156961-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1950

**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 TIN CUP 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNENW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE

**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>
	SWNENW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.20 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.64 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SWNENW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156962-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1949

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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1		N2	SES	W 19	27N	21E BLAINE

**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>
	N2SESW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.40 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.60 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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1			N2SESW	19	27N	21E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156963-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FREY INC  
1150 SAVOY RD  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9400

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 31, 1955

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 GPM

**Volume:** 21.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 10.00

**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		SE	24	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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	10.00		SE	24	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	10.00						

**Remarks:**

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

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-104 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE USED FOR DOMESTIC IRRIGATION PURPOSES.

DNRC EXAMINATION WAS UNABLE TO CONFIRM THE USE OF THIS WATER RIGHT. IT APPEARS THIS WATER RIGHT MAY HAVE NOT BEEN PERFECTED.

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

VOLUME MAY BE EXCESSIVE. BASED ON THE FLOW RATE AND PERIOD OF USE, THE SYSTEM WOULD HAVE TO RUN 62 HOURS PER DAY TO DELIVER THE CLAIMED VOLUME. NO INFORMATION EXISTS IN THE CLAIM FILE TO CONFIRM THIS FIGURE.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME EXCEEDS THE MAXIMUM FEASIBLE VOLUME. BASED ON THE FLOW RATE AND PERIOD OF USE, THE MAXIMUM VOLUME POSSIBLE IS 8 ACRE-FEET PER YEAR.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156964-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1948

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 GPM

**Volume:** 21.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 10.00

**Source Name:** GROUNDWATER

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1		SWSNW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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	10.00		SWSNW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	10.00						

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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1948

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 GPM

**Volume:** 21.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 10.00

**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		SESWSE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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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AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). MV-8R-12 , DATED 09/06/1956 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 1.7 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

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**\*Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 GPM

**Volume:** 21.00 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 10.00

**Source Name:** GROUNDWATER

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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

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**Diversion Means:** WELL

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

**Place of Use:**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156968-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** WITHDRAWN

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:**

**Enforceable Priority Date:**

**Type of Historical Right:**

**Purpose (use):** IRRIGATION

**Flow Rate:**

**Volume:**

**Source Name:** TIN CUP COULEE

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

**Period of Use:**

**Place of Use:**

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**Remarks:**

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



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PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:**

**Enforceable Priority Date:**

**Type of Historical Right:**

**Purpose (use):** IRRIGATION

**Flow Rate:**

**Volume:**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156970-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 6.44 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 170.00

\*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION CREEK  
Source Type: SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS ROCK CREEK

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

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1		SWSWNW	13	28N	21E	BLAINE

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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	20.00		S2SWNW	13	28N	21E	BLAINE
2	80.00		N2SE	13	28N	21E	BLAINE
3	40.00		NESW	13	28N	21E	BLAINE
4	20.00		N2NWSW	13	28N	21E	BLAINE
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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156971-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** MAY 9, 1903

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 64.00

**\*Source Name:** TIN CUP 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		SWNESE	19		27N	21E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Ditch Name:** SPARKS DITCH

WATER DIVERTED FROM TIN CUP COULEE IS CONVEYED TO A SECONDARY POINT OF DIVERSION LOCATED IN THE NWSNW SEC 29 TWP 27N RGE 21E BLAINE COUNTY.

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	50.00		N2NE	29	27N	21E	BLAINE
2	14.00		NENW	29	27N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	64.00						

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/22/2010: POINT OF DIVERSION, MAXIMUM ACRES.

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. USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-104 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156972-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**Priority Date:** MAY 6, 1895

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 160.00

**Source Name:** SUCTION 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	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00	5	NW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
2	20.00	6	NW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
3	10.00	4	NWNWNW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE

**\*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>
4	20.00	11	W2SE	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
5	40.00	12	SWNW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
6	10.00		NWNESW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
7	20.00		N2NWSW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	160.00						

**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.

156972-00 156984-00

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THE CLAIMED CONVEYANCE DITCH CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM AVAILABLE DATA. FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. 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. 156972-00, 156984-00.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156973-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SQUARE BUTTE GRAZING ASSN  
PO BOX 793  
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457 0793

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 7, 1919

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 10.00 CFS

**\*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:** 280.00

**Source Name:** COW 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	35	25N	21E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	160.00		SE	35	25N	21E	BLAINE
2	40.00		NESW	35	25N	21E	BLAINE
3	80.00		S2SW	35	25N	21E	BLAINE

**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:	280.00						

**Remarks:**

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

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1956 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 26 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 178-177 , DATED 10/05/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156974-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**Priority Date:** JULY 24, 1893

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 3.03 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 80.00

**Source Name:** SUCTION 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		NENWSE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		SWSW	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
2	40.00		NWNW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	80.00						

**Remarks:**

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 02/06/2013 , A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY ROBERT AND AUDREY COX.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 11 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-27 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 3.8 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN THE SWNESE SEC 24 TWP 28N RGE 21E BLAINE COUNTY.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156975-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** HARRY J LIDDLE  
23660 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

CAROLYN A LIDDLE  
23660 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 3, 1913

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 4.55 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 120.00

**Source Name:** COW 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	4	25N	21E	BLAINE

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		W2E2SW	4	25N	21E	BLAINE
2	80.00		W2SW	4	25N	21E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	120.00						

**Remarks:**

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144810-00 144811-00 156975-00

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

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. 144809-00, 144810-00, 144811-00, 144812-00, 144813-00, 144814-00, 144815-00, 144816-00, 144817-00, 144818-00, 156975-00.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-35 , DATED 10/06/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156976-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MITCHELL RANCH  
10480 MITCHELL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 160.00

**Source Name:** SUCTION 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	SE	SW	5	27N	22E BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Ditch Name:** SPENCER DITCHES (SEC 5)

2		SE	N	W	E	8	27N 22E BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Ditch Name:** SPENCER DITCHES (SEC 8)

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	80.00		W2SE	8	27N	22E	BLAINE
2	40.00		NWNE	17	27N	22E	BLAINE
3	40.00		NENW	17	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	160.00						

**Remarks:**

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-107 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156977-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

MITCHELL RANCH  
10480 MITCHELL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JOHN HANCOCK MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO  
7900 SE 28TH ST SUITE 400  
MERCER ISLAND, WA 98040

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1915

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 6.06 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 160.00

**Source Name:** SUCTION 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		S	SW	SE	27N	22E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**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>
2		SEWN	8	27N	22E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Ditch Name:** SPENCER DITCHES (SEC 8)

**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	40.00		SWSE	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
2	40.00		SESW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
3	80.00		W2NE	8	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	160.00						

**Remarks:**

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156977-00 27055-00

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 02/05/2010 , A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-107 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN THE NESESW SEC 5 TWP 27N RGE 22E BLAINE COUNTY.

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**Water Right Number: 40EJ 156978-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM**

**Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT**

**Status: WITHDRAWN**

**Owners:** ZANE POWELL  
100 WILLOW RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:**

**Enforceable Priority Date:**

**Type of Historical Right:**

**Purpose (use): IRRIGATION**

**Flow Rate:**

**Volume:**

**Source Name: COW CREEK**

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

**Period of Use:**

**Place of Use:**

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**Remarks:**

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 01/19/2010.

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156979-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 200.00

**Source Name:** SUCTION 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		NWNWNW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	10.00		SWSWSW	29	28N	22E	BLAINE
2	20.00		N2NENE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE
3	10.00		SENENE	31	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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>
4	10.00		NE	SENE	31	28N	22E BLAINE
5	20.00		S2	SENE	31	28N	22E BLAINE
6	10.00		SE	SWNE	31	28N	22E BLAINE
7	80.00		E	2SE	31	28N	22E BLAINE
8	40.00		E2	W2SE	31	28N	22E BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	200.00						

**Remarks:**

THE POINT OF DIVERSION WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 08/12/1985.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156980-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 160.00

**Source Name:** SUCTION 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		SWSWNE	30		28N	22E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

2		NWNWNW	30		28N	22E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Place of Use:**

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1	160.00		SE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	160.00						

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-27 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) IDENTIFIES THIS RIGHT AS A FILED APPROPRIATION.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156981-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 240.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION 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	18	27N	22E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	80.00		W2SE	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
2	160.00		E2W2	19	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	240.00						

**Remarks:**

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156982-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

ROBERT J COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

DUSTIN D HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

AUDREY E COX  
24750 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

VICKI HOFELDT  
20495 BARNEY OLSON RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9241

OWNER AUDREY E COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

OWNER ROBERT J COX RETAINED. CONTRACT FOR DEED INTEREST.

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1900

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 4.55 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 120.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SUCTION CREEK  
**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS ROCK 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		SENE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

**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	10.00		SWSE	13	28N	21E	BLAINE
2	20.00		E2SWSE	13	28N	21E	BLAINE
3	40.00		NENE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE
4	10.00		NESE	24	28N	21E	BLAINE
5	40.00		N2S2NW	19	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	120.00						

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156983-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** EAGLE WATCH INVESTMENTS INC  
405 HIGH PARK WAY  
MISSOULA, MT 59803

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 9, 1899

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 6.06 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 160.00

**Source Name:** SUCTION 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		NWNWNW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		NWNE	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
2	40.00		NENW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
3	80.00		S2NW	30	28N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	160.00						

**Remarks:**

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 03/12/2012 , THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1956 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 111 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO. 378-027 , DATED 10/08/1980 APPEARS TO INDICATE 110 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE AND ACRES IRRIGATED MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. REVIEW OF AVAILABLE DATA APPEARS TO INDICATE FEWER ACRES MAY HAVE BEEN IRRIGATED THAN HAS BEEN CLAIMED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 156984-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY  
656 AGENCY MAIN ST  
HARLEM, MT 59526 9455

**Priority Date:** MAY 6, 1895

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*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:** 160.00

**Source Name:** SUCTION 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	30	28N	22E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**\*Place of Use:**

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1	10.00	5	NW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
2	40.00	6	NW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
3	20.00	3	NENW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE

**\*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>
4	20.00	4	NWNWNW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
5	40.00	11	SE	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
6	20.00		N2NESW	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
7	10.00		SE	5	27N	22E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	160.00						

**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.

156972-00 156984-00

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THE CLAIMED CONVEYANCE DITCH CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM AVAILABLE DATA.  
FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE.  
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. 156972-00, 156984-00.  
THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 157024-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** THORSTAD RANCH INC  
22675 LLOYD RD  
LLOYD, MT 59535 9600

**Priority Date:** JULY 26, 1919

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS SPRING 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		N2	29	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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	29	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 157038-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ZANE POWELL  
100 WILLOW RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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:** COW 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		W2SE	22	27N	20E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		W2SW	26	27N	20E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		E2NE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE
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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>
4		NENESE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		W2NE	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NENW	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		NWSE	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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8		S2SESE	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

**\*Place of Use:**

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1			W2SE	22	27N	20E	BLAINE
2			W2SW	26	27N	20E	BLAINE
3			E2NE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE
4			NENESE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE
5			W2NE	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
6			NENW	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
7			NWSE	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
8			S2SESE	35	27N	20E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 157039-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ZANE POWELL  
100 WILLOW RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** APRIL 1, 1914

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER/FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 343.40 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 20.20

**Source Name:** COW 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	26	27N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

2		NENENE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

**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		SENE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE

Period of Diversion: MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: PUMP

4		NESE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE
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Period of Diversion: MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: PUMP

Period of Use: MARCH 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	4.00		W2SWNW	26	27N	20E	BLAINE
2	2.50		NWNWSW	26	27N	20E	BLAINE
3	13.70		E2NE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	20.20						

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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 157040-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ZANE POWELL  
100 WILLOW RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** APRIL 1, 1920

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER/FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 384.20 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 22.60

**Source Name:** COW 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	22	27N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

POINT OF DIVERSION IS MOVEABLE ALL ALONG SOURCE WITHIN LEGAL LAND  
DESCRIPTION.

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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	15.50		SWSE	22	27N	20E	BLAINE
2	0.50		NENE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE
3	6.60		NWNE	27	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	22.60						

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 157041-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ZANE POWELL  
100 WILLOW RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1956

**\*Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER/FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 397.80 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 23.40

**Source Name:** COW 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		NESWNE	35	27N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

2		NENENW	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

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Period of Use: MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

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1	15.90		W2NE	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
2	7.50		E2NW	35	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	23.40						

Remarks:

THE PRIORITY DATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/19/2010.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 157300-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1955

**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 ALS CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		SWSE	29	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SENE	31	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		SESWNE	31	27N	19E	BLAINE
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4		NWNWSE	31	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NESW	31	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		NWNWNE	32	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		SENENW	32	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		S2NW	32	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

**\*Place of Use:**

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2			SENE	31	27N	19E	BLAINE
3			SESWNE	31	27N	19E	BLAINE
4			NWNWSE	31	27N	19E	BLAINE
5			NESW	31	27N	19E	BLAINE
6			NWNWNE	32	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 157301-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1955

**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 Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		S2SWNE	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SENE	30	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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3		N2SE	30	27N	19E	BLAINE
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4		NENESW	30	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 157302-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** MARCH 20, 1902

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 160.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALS 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		SWSEW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		SENE	25	27N	18E	BLAINE
2	80.00		N2SE	25	27N	18E	BLAINE
3	40.00	2	SWNW	30	27N	19E	BLAINE

**\*Place of Use:**

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Total:	160.00							

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-53 , DATED 10/07/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 157303-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 15, 1906

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 160.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALS CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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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>
1		SWSEW	25	27N	18E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Place of Use:**

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1	40.00		SWSE	25	27N	18E	BLAINE
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**Place of Use:**

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<b>Total:</b>	160.00						

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158246-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 1, 1938

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS DUNBAR 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		SWSWNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: DUNBAR CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSWNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.60 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.40 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158247-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		NENWNW	24	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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:** 40EJ 158248-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 3, 1960

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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		NWSWNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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:** 40EJ 158249-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS MOTHERS 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		NESESE	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158250-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1957

**\*Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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		NESWNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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:** 40EJ 158251-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1914

**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.

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1		NESWNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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:** 40EJ 158252-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1957

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 GPM

**Volume:** 1.00 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		NESWNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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		NESWNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Total:** 0.50

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158253-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1918

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 289.00 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 17.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS DUNBAR CREEK

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

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1		SWSWNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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	17.00		W2W2SW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	17.00						

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**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. THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158773-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** WITHDRAWN

**Owners:** CODY POWELL  
PO BOX 505  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:**

**Enforceable Priority Date:**

**Type of Historical Right:**

**Purpose (use):** IRRIGATION

**Flow Rate:**

**Volume:**

**Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF TIN CUP COULEE

**Source Name:** TIN CUP COULEE

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

**Period of Use:**

**Place of Use:**

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**Remarks:**

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 01/22/2010.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158774-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** HOLLY GULLICKSON  
PO BOX 354  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0354

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1960

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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1		N	2	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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>
	NWSWSE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158775-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 Type:** SURFACE WATER  
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1		SWSWNW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: GOOSE LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSWNW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 6.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 24.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158776-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1958

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WEST FORK GAP 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	5	NWSENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: KATHYS

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
5	NWSENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.80 ACRES  
Capacity: 5.76 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158777-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1950

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP 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	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM



\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: BIG TROUT DAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NESENW	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 5.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 20.00 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE S2NENW SEC 27 TWP 28N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			S2NENW	27	28N	19E	BLAINE
2			NESENW	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158778-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS EGGBRECHT DRAINAGE

**\*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		S2NW	2	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NWSE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
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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		SESE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4	2	NE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5	7	NE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6	8	NE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		N2SENE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		W2SE	34	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
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1			S2NW	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
2			NWSE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
3			SESE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
4		2	NE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE
5		7	NE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE
6		8	NE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE
7			N2SENE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE
8			W2SE	34	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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.**

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 10/16/2013 , A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY HOLLY GULLICKSON; ALISHA AND SYLER BURCHAM.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158779-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** HOLLY GULLICKSON  
PO BOX 354  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0354

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS BLACK CAT DRAINAGE

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

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1		SWNW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2	7	NE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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3	8	NE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
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4		NESENE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158780-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1949

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** GAP 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	23	28N	19E BLAINE

**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>
	SESWSE	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 10.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.25 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.80 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SESWSE	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158781-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1958

**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:** GAP 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			SENE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: DRIVEWAY

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158782-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SYLER BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

ALISHA BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

**Priority Date:** APRIL 1, 1968

**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 GAP 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	SESE	35	28N	19E BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: LOUIS J

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2SESE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.60 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.92 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			W2SESE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158783-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SYLER BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

ALISHA BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

**Priority Date:** APRIL 1, 1968

**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 GAP 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	35	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: STUCK IN THE MUD

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWNWSE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	35	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158784-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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**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	3	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Source Name:** GAP 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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2	5	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> GAP CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3	6	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> GAP CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		S2NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> GAP CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		N2SW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> GAP CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		SESW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> GAP CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		N2	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8	1	NENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>*Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> 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	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
2		5	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
3		6	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
4			S2NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
5			N2SW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
6			SESW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
7			N2	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
8		1	NENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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 OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LANDS.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING TWO SEPARATE SOURCES OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158785-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SYLER BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

ALISHA BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS DARLAS SPRING

**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	W	1	27N 19E	BLAINE

**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	W	27N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158786-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WEST FORK GAP 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		S2S2NW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SESWSE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
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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		W2W2SE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		N2N2SW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		SENE SW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6	5	N2SENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		N2SWNE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		SENE W	27	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		S2SWNE	28	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		S2SENE W	28	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		N2N2SE	28	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		NENE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
13		NENE WNE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
14		NESENE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

**\*Place of Use:**

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1			S2S2NW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
2			SENE SW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
3			W2W2SE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
4			N2N2SW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
5			SENE SW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
6		5	N2SENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

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7		N2SWNE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE
8		SENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE
9		S2SWNE	28	28N	19E	BLAINE
10		S2SENE	28	28N	19E	BLAINE
11		N2N2SE	28	28N	19E	BLAINE
12		NENE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
13		NENWNE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
14		NESENE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158787-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SYLER BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

ALISHA BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 HEDGES CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS BOBS COULEE AND EAST BRANCH OF HEDGES 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		SWSWSW	3	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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			SWSWSW	3	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM DATA SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158788-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 20.00 GPM

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS MINNOW ROCK

**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	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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	NWSENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158789-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS MICK'S

**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	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158790-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

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BIRDTAIL RANCH  
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CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

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**Type of Historical Right:** USE

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS PAZMA

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

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1		NESWNW	28	28N	19E	BLAINE	

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

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

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ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 09/18/2010 , THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY THORSTAD RANCH INC.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158791-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS ANGEL'S

**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		SENWNW	35	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			SEN	WNW	35	28N	19E BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LANDS.

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**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158792-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SYLER BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

ALISHA BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1959

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS HELEN'S SPRING

**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		SES	WSE	3	27N	19E BLAINE

**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	SW	SE	3	27N 19E BLAINE

Remarks:

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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158793-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SYLER BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

ALISHA BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 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.

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS HERDEGEN SPRING

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

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1	7	SE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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		7	SENWNE	3	27N	19E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158794-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1959

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS CASTLE ROCK

**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	28	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			NENESE	28	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158795-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 27, 1982

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:** 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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS KATHY KAY'S

**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		SWNWNW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** PIT

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



\*Reservoir: OFFSTREAM Reservoir Name: KATHY KAY'S

<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  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.10 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.40 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, MAXIMUM DEPTH, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
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4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

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**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 15.00 GPM

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**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS BOB J'S BEST

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

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1		NENSW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158797-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SYLER BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

ALISHA BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1946

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS A PINE'S

**\*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		N	6	27N	20E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** PIT

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

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: A PINE'S

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENESW	6	27N	20E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.20 ACRES  
Capacity: 0.80 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, MAXIMUM DEPTH, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	6	27N	20E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158798-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** HOLLY GULLICKSON  
PO BOX 354  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0354

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1958

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS SWEET 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	34	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			SESWSE	34	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158799-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**\*Priority Date:** MAY 23, 1972

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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

ALSO KNOWN AS NOT SO DEEP HOG 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		NENSW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			NENSW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE



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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158800-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1932

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 8.00 GPM

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS BETTY'S RESERVE

**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	5	NESENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	5	NESENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

THE CLAIMS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT MAY BE A MULTIPLE USE OF THE SAME RIGHT. THESE CLAIMS MAY NEED A MULTIPLE USE REMARK. 158800-00, 158810-00.

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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158801-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS INDIAN ROCK GLORY HOLE

**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	1	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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	SWNW	1	27N	19E BLAINE

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THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LANDS.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158802-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** HOLLY GULLICKSON  
PO BOX 354  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0354

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1958

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS DEER HILL

**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	4	SESWSW	34	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158803-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ALISHA BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

SYLER BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS GEM STONE

**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	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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	SENE	35	28N	19E BLAINE

Remarks:

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158804-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WEST FORK GAP 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		SE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: FRANTAL

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2SE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158805-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS BIRDTAIL 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	4	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2	5	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
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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	1	NENE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		N2NE	33	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		W2SWNE	33	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		N2N2	34	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		NENW	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NWNW	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		NESENW	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		NWSE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		W2SESE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		NESWSE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

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1		4	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
2		5	NW	1	27N	19E	BLAINE
3		1	NENE	2	27N	19E	BLAINE
4			N2NE	33	28N	19E	BLAINE
5			W2SWNE	33	28N	19E	BLAINE
6			N2N2	34	28N	19E	BLAINE
7			NENW	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
8			NWNW	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
9			NESENW	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
10			NWSE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
11			W2SESE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE

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12			NESWSE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LANDS.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158806-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS BUCK ROCK

**\*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	12	SWSWNW	6	27N	20E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2	13	NWSW	6	27N	20E	BLAINE
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3	14	SWSW	6	27N	20E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

4		NWNENW	7	27N	20E	BLAINE
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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:**

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2		13	NWSW	6	27N	20E	BLAINE
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158807-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Name:** GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS DEEP 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		SWSE	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		NENE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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3		NENWNE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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4		NESENE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
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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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1			SWSE	23	28N	19E	BLAINE
2			NENE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
3			NENWNE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
4			NESENE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158808-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1958

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS RATTLESNAKE

**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	34	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			SENESE	34	28N	19E	BLAINE

Remarks:

CLAIM FILED 05/20/1982 . THIS IS AN EXEMPT RIGHT VOLUNTARILY FILED UNDER SECTION 85-2-222, MCA.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158809-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1943

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**\*Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 20.00 GPM

**Volume:** 11.60 AC-FT

**Households:** 2

**Maximum Acres:** 5.00

**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS LOUIE'S BEST

**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		SWNWSE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** PUMP  
PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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	5.00	5	SENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Total:** 5.00

**\*Place of Use:**

ID    Acres Govt Lot            Qtr Sec    Sec    Twp    Rge    County

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**Remarks:**

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE ASSOCIATED WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS SHARE THE SAME PLACE OF USE.

158809-00    158810-00

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158810-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 1, 1932

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**\*Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 8.00 GPM

**Volume:** 11.60 AC-FT

**Households:** 5

**Maximum Acres:** 5.00

**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS BETTY'S RESERVE

**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	5	NESENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

PUMP USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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	5	NESENE	27	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Total:** 5.00

**Place of Use:**

ID      Acres Govt Lot              Qtr Sec      Sec      Twp      Rge      County

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158809-00      158810-00

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

THE CLAIMS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT MAY BE A MULTIPLE USE OF THE SAME RIGHT. THESE CLAIMS MAY NEED A MULTIPLE USE REMARK. 158800-00, 158810-00.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158811-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SYLER BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

ALISHA BURCHAM  
PO BOX 468  
BIG SANDY, MT 59520 0468

**\*Priority Date:** AUGUST 1, 1910

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 6.06 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 160.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP 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	SE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Place of Use:**

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1	40.00		SWNE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
2	80.00		E2NW	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
3	40.00		NWSE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	160.00						

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USE OF THE CLAIMED DITCH TO CONVEY WATER TO THE PLACE OF USE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE.

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

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY FIELD NOTES (1967) INDICATE 185 ACRES IRRIGATED BY THIS APPROPRIATION BUT NOT AT THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158812-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**\*Priority Date:** OCTOBER 6, 1913

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 160.00

**Source Name:** GAP 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	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** DIVERSION DAM

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	40.00		SWSE	23	28N	19E	BLAINE
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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 158813-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** ROBERT J HERDEGEN  
BIRDTAIL RANCH  
4220 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9221

**\*Priority Date:** JULY 20, 1910

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 10.00 CFS

**\*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:** 320.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WEST FORK GAP 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		SE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Place of Use:**

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1	40.00		SESE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
2	80.00		W2SE	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
3	80.00		E2SW	26	28N	19E	BLAINE
4	80.00		N2NE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
5	40.00		SENE	35	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	320.00						

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**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. THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 175 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 175 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE CLAIMED POINT OF DIVERSION MAY BE INCOMPLETE. IT APPEARS THERE SHOULD BE ADDITIONAL POINTS OF DIVERSION ON THE SOURCE WHICH COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159225-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS CASEY COULEE

**\*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		S2S2NW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			S2S2NW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159226-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 GAP 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			NWSENE	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159227-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 GAP 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	NWNWNE	6	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		2	NWNWNE	6		27N	20E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159228-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS GAP 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	1	NWNWNW	18	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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		1	NWNWNW	18	27N	20E	BLAINE

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159229-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 GAP 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	20	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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			SE	20	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159230-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

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**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS CORRIGAN 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		NWSENE	6	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

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1			NWSENE	6	27N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159231-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1918

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS DUNBAR 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	WNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: JAMIE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENWNW	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	14	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159232-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 1, 1958

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS CASEY COULEE

**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	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: JOEY

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSWNW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 2.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 10.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
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**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159233-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 COW CREEK, NORTH FORK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS SPRING CREEK AND MOORE 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		S2NE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		E2SE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE
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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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1			S2NE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE
2			E2SE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159234-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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

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1		NE	SE	10	28N	19E	BLAINE

**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>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	SE	10	28N	19E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159235-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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:** COW 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	17	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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		W2SE	17	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		SW	17	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		N2SE	18	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NESW	18	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6	3	NWSW	18	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7	1	NWNWNW	19	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NENE	20	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		SWNE	21	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		NW	21	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		NESE	21	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		S2SWNW	22	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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13		NESW	22	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
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<b>Period of Use:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

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1			SWSESE	17	27N	20E	BLAINE
2			W2SE	17	27N	20E	BLAINE
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4			N2SE	18	27N	20E	BLAINE
5			NESW	18	27N	20E	BLAINE
6	3		NWSW	18	27N	20E	BLAINE

**\*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>
7		1	NWNWNW	19	27N	20E	BLAINE
8			NENE	20	27N	20E	BLAINE
9			SWNE	21	27N	20E	BLAINE
10			NW	21	27N	20E	BLAINE
11			NESE	21	27N	20E	BLAINE
12			S2SWNW	22	27N	20E	BLAINE
13			NESW	22	27N	20E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159236-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** AUGUST 1, 1957

**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:** 39.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 13.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEDGES CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS SOUTH TRIBUTARY HEDGES 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			NESENE	6	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: CORRIGAN RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NE	SE	6	27N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
 Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
 Depth: 10.00 FEET  
 Surface Area: 1.30 ACRES  
 Capacity: 5.20 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: MARCH 15 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	1.00	5	SW	NW	27N	19E	BLAINE
2	8.60		NW	SW	27N	19E	BLAINE
3	0.40	8	SE	NE	27N	19E	BLAINE
4	3.00		NE	SE	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	<b>13.00</b>						

Remarks:

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

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-99 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE EXCESSIVE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EQUALS 7.5 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE RESERVOIR.

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

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159237-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 1, 1958

**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:** 14.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 18.00

**Source Name:** GAP 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		SENESE	15	28N	19E	BLAINE	

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u> NESE	<u>Sec</u> 15	<u>Twp</u> 28N	<u>Rge</u> 19E	<u>County</u> BLAINE
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1				
Dam Height:	13.00 FEET				
Depth:	10.00 FEET				
Surface Area:	1.00 ACRES				
Capacity:	4.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	18.00		NW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	18.00						

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THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL GROWING SEASON FOR THIS CLIMATIC AREA WHICH IS APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE EXCESSIVE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EQUALS 3.5 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE RESERVOIR.

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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
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**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159238-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** MAY 21, 1902

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 1.19 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 31.50

**\*Source Name:** HEDGES CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS WEST TRIBUTARY OF HEDGES 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		NESWNW	5	27N	19E	BLAINE

Period of Diversion: MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 1

Diversion Means: PUMP

2		SENWSE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE
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Period of Diversion: MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 1

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: MARCH 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	15.00		W2NW	5	27N	19E	BLAINE
2	16.50		E2NE	6	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Total:** 31.50

THE PLACE OF USE INCLUDES GOVT LOT 5 IN SEC 5 TWP 27N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY AND GOVT LOT 8 IN SEC 6 TWP 27N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. THE MAXIMUM ACRES IRRIGATED MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. REVIEW OF THE AVAILABLE DATA APPEARS TO INDICATE 50 ACRES WERE CLAIMED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-36 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159239-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1918

**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:** 6.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 18.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS SPRING 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		NW	NENW	23	28N	19E BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

WATER RELEASED FROM ENTORF RESERVOIR USES THE UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK AS A NATURAL CARRIER TO CONVEY WATER TO A SECONDARY POINT OF DIVERSION IN THE SWNENW SEC 23 TWP 28N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: ENTORF RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWNENW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	1.00 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	4.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-34 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE RESERVOIR IS NOT SHOWN IN THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ). IT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN BUILT AFTER THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION AND MAY INDICATE AN EXPANSION OF THE WATER RIGHT.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159240-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1912

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 1.78 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 47.00

**Source Name:** HEDGES 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		NWSWNE	5	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

2		NESWNW	5	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 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	SWNW	4	27N	19E	BLAINE
2	9.00	SENE	5	27N	19E	BLAINE
3	15.00	SWNE	5	27N	19E	BLAINE
4	7.00	NWSE	5	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	<b>47.00</b>					

**Remarks:**

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159241-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** JUNE 6, 1908

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 2.03 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 53.50

**\*Source Name:** HEDGES 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	1	NENENE	6	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

2		SENWSE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

3		NESWSE	31	28N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 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	3.00	4	NW	5	27N	19E	BLAINE
2	50.50		NE	6	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	53.50						

THE PLACE OF USE INCLUDES GOVT LOTS 1, 2, 7, AND 8 IN SEC 6 TWP 27N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.

**Remarks:**

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-36 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159242-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

JOSEPH A DUNBAR  
PO BOX 312  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0312

JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

**Priority Date:** MAY 25, 1903

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 18.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, 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		S	35	28N	18E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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	3.00		SENE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE
2	15.00		E2SE	35	28N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	18.00						

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159243-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523  
  
JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1918

**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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 18.00

**Source Name:** GAP 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		N	W	SW	14	28N	19E BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**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>
2		SWNENW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 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	18.00		NW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	18.00						

**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.

159237-00 159239-00 159243-00 159244-00

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159244-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JUDY A DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523

JAMES P DUNBAR  
4045 BIRDTAIL RD  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 9220

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1918

**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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 18.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP 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	NENW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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	18.00		NW	23	28N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	18.00						

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159422-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JD TALL HOLDINGS LLC  
118 BRECKENRIDGE DR  
WEXFORD, PA 15090 9400

**Priority Date:** AUGUST 2, 1980

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**\*Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 4.00 GPM

**Volume:** 7.60 AC-FT

**Households:** 2

**Maximum Acres:** 3.00

**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	5	NESWNW	6	26N	21E	BLAINE

**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	3.00	5	NESWNW	6	26N	21E	BLAINE

**Total:** 3.00

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THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE INDICATES AN APPROPRIATION OF WATER AFTER JUNE 30, 1973. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EXCEEDS THE MAXIMUM FEASIBLE VOLUME. BASED ON THE FLOW RATE AND PERIOD OF USE, THE MAXIMUM VOLUME POSSIBLE IS 6 ACRE-FEET PER YEAR.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159906-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** BIG SKY KELLAM LAND & CATTLE CORP  
PO BOX 1195  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1195

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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 LEWIS CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

**Source Name:** LEWIS 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		S2	S2NW	17	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Source Name:** LEWIS 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		W2SW	17	28N	20E	BLAINE
Source Name: LEWIS CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3		SESWNE	18	28N	20E	BLAINE
Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LEWIS CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		SESE	18	28N	20E	BLAINE
Source Name: LEWIS CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		E2W2SE	18	28N	20E	BLAINE
Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF LEWIS CREEK						
Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		W2NE	19	28N	20E	BLAINE
Source Name: LEWIS 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			S2S2NW	17	28N	20E	BLAINE
2			W2SW	17	28N	20E	BLAINE
3			SESWNE	18	28N	20E	BLAINE
4			SESE	18	28N	20E	BLAINE
5			E2W2SE	18	28N	20E	BLAINE
6			W2NE	19	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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**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:** 40EJ 159907-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** BIG SKY KELLAM LAND & CATTLE CORP  
PO BOX 1195  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1195

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1890

**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:** WINTERS CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

**Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WINTERS 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	3	NENW	5	27N	20E	BLAINE

**Source Name:** WINTERS 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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2	4	NWNW	5	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
3	6	SE	5	27N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
4		E2E2	20	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NWNWNW	21	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		S2SE	21	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		NWNESW	21	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
8		NWSW	21	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
9		W2NE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
10		SE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
11		E2SWNE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
12		W2SE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						

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13		E2SESW	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
14		E2NW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
15		NWNESW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
16		W2SW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Source Name:</b> WINTERS CREEK						
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> 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		3	NENW	5	27N	20E	BLAINE
2		4	NWNW	5	27N	20E	BLAINE
3		6	SESW	5	27N	20E	BLAINE
4			E2E2	20	28N	20E	BLAINE
5			NWNWNW	21	28N	20E	BLAINE
6			S2SESW	21	28N	20E	BLAINE
7			NWNESW	21	28N	20E	BLAINE
8			NWSW	21	28N	20E	BLAINE
9			W2NENE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
10			SESWNE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
11			E2SWNE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
12			W2SE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
13			E2SESW	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
14			E2NW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE
15			NWNESW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE
16			W2SW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING TWO SEPARATE SOURCES OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159908-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** BIG SKY KELLAM LAND & CATTLE CORP  
PO BOX 1195  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1195

**Priority Date:** APRIL 1, 1933

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 1.33 CFS

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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 35.00

**Source Name:** WINTERS 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		NESWNE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DITCH

DIKE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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	35.00		SW	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	35.00						

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159909-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** BIG SKY KELLAM LAND & CATTLE CORP  
PO BOX 1195  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1195

**Priority Date:** AUGUST 2, 1913

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** FLOOD

**\*Flow Rate:** 1.29 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 17 GPM PER ACRE.  
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**\*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:** 34.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WINTERS CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS EAST BRANCH WINTERS CREEK

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1		NWNENW	28	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DITCH

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**\*Place of Use:**

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1	21.00		NENE	28	28N	20E	BLAINE
2	1.50		NWNENW	28	28N	20E	BLAINE
3	11.50		NWNW	28	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	<b>34.00</b>						

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159910-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** BIG SKY KELLAM LAND & CATTLE CORP  
PO BOX 1195  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1195

**Priority Date:** JANUARY 29, 1909

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** 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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 105.00

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF GAP CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS GOLD CREEK

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

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	20	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

2		NE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

3		SE	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

Period of Use: MARCH 15 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	26.00		E2SW	20	28N	20E	BLAINE
2	70.00		NW	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
3	9.00		N2N2SW	29	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	105.00						

Remarks:

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

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159911-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** BIG SKY KELLAM LAND & CATTLE CORP  
PO BOX 1195  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1195

**Priority Date:** APRIL 1, 1933

**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:** 240.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 201.00

**Source Name:** WINTERS 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		SENENW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:**

**Diversion Means:** DAM

WATER STORED UNDER THIS RIGHT IS RELEASED FROM UPPER HENSEN RESERVOIR AND IS DIVERTED FROM WINTERS CREEK AT THE FOLLOWING SECONDARY POINTS OF DIVERSION: SWSENW SEC 32 TWP 28N RGE 20E BLAINE COUNTY.

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: UPPER HENSEN RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SE	N	W	20E	BLAINE
	32	28	N	20	E

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
 Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
 Depth: 10.00 FEET  
 Surface Area: 6.00 ACRES  
 Capacity: 24.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	64.00		NW	5	27N	20E	BLAINE
2	37.00		NW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE
3	100.00		SW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	201.00						

**Remarks:**

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PLACE OF USE ID NO. 1 IS LOCATED IN GOVT LOTS 3 AND 4 IN SEC 5 TWP 27N RGE 20E BLAINE COUNTY.

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

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION FROM THE SOURCE INTO STORAGE CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL GROWING SEASON FOR THIS CLIMATIC AREA WHICH IS APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 63 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 378-32 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 63 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE CLAIMED VOLUME APPEARS TO BE EXCESSIVE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE. THE CLAIMED VOLUME EQUALS 10 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE RESERVOIR.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 159912-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** BIG SKY KELLAM LAND & CATTLE CORP  
PO BOX 1195  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 1195

**Priority Date:** MAY 5, 1904

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 201.00

**Source Name:** WINTERS 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	32	28N	20E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

2		NW	32	28N	20E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 15 TO OCTOBER 15

**Diversion Means:** DIKE

**Period of Use:** MARCH 15 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>
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POINT OF DIVERSION NO. 2 MAY BE INCORRECT. THE POINT OF DIVERSION APPEARS TO BE IN THE NWNESW SEC 32 TWP 28N RGE 20E BLAINE COUNTY.

THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PRIORITY DATE ON THE SUBMITTED NOTICE OF APPROPRIATION IS SEPTEMBER 5, 1904.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 163859-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MONTANA, STATE OF DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION  
REAL ESTATE SERVICES SECTION  
PO BOX 201001  
HELENA, MT 59620 1001

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 17, 1959

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 4.00 GPM

**Volume:** 4.88 AC-FT

**Households:** 2

**Maximum Acres:** 0.75

**Source Name:** GROUNDWATER

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

ALSO KNOWN AS MOBRIDGE SECTION HOUSE

FLOWING ARTESIAN 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	11	SENWNW	6	21N	24E	FERGUS

**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	0.75	11	SENWNW	6	21N	24E	FERGUS

**Total:** 0.75

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**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 12/22/2009: PURPOSE, POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/25/2010: PURPOSE, PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES, FLOW RATE, VOLUME.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/04/2010.

REPLACEMENT WELL - FILE REFLECTS AUTHORIZATION TO CHANGE ISSUED 02/24/1983. SEE AUTHORIZATION TO CHANGE NO. 16385900.

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

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

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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**\*\*\*\* THIS IS AN INTERBASIN TRANSFER CLAIM \*\*\*\***

**THIS APPROPRIATION OF WATER TAKES WATER FROM THE MISSOURI RIVER BETWEEN MUSSELSHELL RIVER AND FORT PECK DAM DRAINAGE (BASIN 40E) AND USES IT IN THE MISSOURI RIVER BETWEEN MUSSELSHELL RIVER AND FORT PECK DAM DRAINAGE (BASIN 40E), MUSSELSHELL RIVER BELOW ROUNDUP DRAINAGE (BASIN 40C), MISSOURI RIVER BETWEEN BULLWACKER CREEK AND MUSSELSHELL RIVER DRAINAGE (BASIN 40EJ), MILK RIVER BELOW WHITEWATER CREEK INCLUDING PORCUPINE CREEK DRAINAGE (BASIN 40O), DRY CREEK DRAINAGE (BASIN 40D), AND MISSOURI RIVER BELOW FORT PECK DAM DRAINAGE (BASIN 40S). ANY OBJECTION TO THIS RIGHT MAY BE FILED DURING THE OBJECTION PERIODS FOR EITHER THE POINT OF DIVERSION OR PLACE OF USE BASIN.**

**FOR THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE POINT OF DIVERSION BASIN, CONTACT THE MONTANA WATER COURT OR THE DNRC AS INDICATED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY."**

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**Water Right Number: 40E 165371-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM**

**Version: 2 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT**

**Status: ACTIVE**

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS)  
6014 US POST OFFICE & COURTHSE  
214 N 17TH ST  
OMAHA, NE 68102

**Priority Date:** JUNE 24, 1937

**Type of Historical Right:**

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Purpose Clarification:** STORAGE

**Irrigation Type:**

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

**Volume:** 17,900,000.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 1 - HIGH

\*Source Name: MISSOURI RIVER (FORT PECK LAKE)

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			15	26N	41E	MCCONE

Period of Diversion:

Diversion Means: DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: FORT PECK LAKE

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
		15	26N	41E	MCCONE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Dam Height: 250.50 FEET

Depth: 220.00 FEET

Surface Area: 245,000.00 ACRES

Capacity: 18,463,000.00 ACRE-FEET

SEE THE US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS FORT PECK PROJECT STATISTICS IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.  
 FORT PECK LAKE IS LOCATED ALONG THE NORTHERN BORDER OF GARFIELD COUNTY AND THE SOUTHERN BORDER OF PHILLIPS AND VALLEY COUNTIES. IT IS ALSO IN THE NORTHEAST BORDER OF PETROLEUM COUNTY AND THE VERY NORTHWEST BORDER OF MCCONE COUNTY.

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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THE PLACE OF USE IS IN VALLEY, PHILLIPS, MCCONE, GARFIELD, PETROLEUM AND FERGUS COUNTIES.

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 REQUESTED FLOW RATE IS 486,000 CFS. THE REQUESTED VOLUME IS 17,900,000 AF.

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

THIS INTERBASIN CLAIM RECEIVED OBJECTIONS IN BASIN 40E.

THIS INTERBASIN TRANSFER CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE 40D BASIN PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 09/28/1984.

THIS INTERBASIN TRANSFER CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE 400 BASIN PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 05/24/1995.

THIS INTERBASIN TRANSFER CLAIM WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE 40C BASIN TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 02/06/1990.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION FROM THE SOURCE INTO STORAGE CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL PERIOD OF USE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE WHICH IS MARCH 15 TO NOVEMBER 15.

THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

NO TYPE OF IRRIGATION SYSTEM HAS BEEN CLAIMED. THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL IRRIGATION APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN A FLOOD SYSTEM.

NO TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT WAS CLAIMED. DOCUMENTATION TO SUPPORT THE TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT WAS NOT SUBMITTED WITH THIS CLAIM.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 166073-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LUKE PLOYHAR  
16662 DYNAMIC DR  
LAKEVILLE, MN 55044 6068

**\*Priority Date:** JANUARY 31, 1905

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 30.00 GPM

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**Source Name:** RUBY GULCH

**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	28	NESWSE	7	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** 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			SESWSE	7	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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

PLACE OF USE IS LOCATED IN WHITCOMB NO. 1 LODGE MINING CLAIM SURVEY #10734A PHILLIPS COUNTY.



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**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:** 40EJ 166074-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LUKE PLOYHAR  
16662 DYNAMIC DR  
LAKEVILLE, MN 55044 6068

**Priority Date:** MAY 20, 1936

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 3.75 CFS

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**Source Name:** RUBY GULCH

**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		SWNWSE	7		25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

**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			SESWSE	7		25N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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

POINT OF DIVERSION IS LOCATED IN O.K. LODGE MINING CLAIM SURVEY NO. 7482 PHILLIPS COUNTY.

PLACE OF USE IS LOCATED IN WHITCOMB NO. 1 LODGE MINING CLAIM SURVEY # 10734A PHILLIPS COUNTY.

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**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:** 40EJ 166075-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LUKE PLOYHAR  
16662 DYNAMIC DR  
LAKEVILLE, MN 55044 6068

**Priority Date:** JUNE 23, 1922

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 6.25 CFS

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF RUBY GULCH

**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	30	NESESE	7	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DIVERSION DAM

PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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			SESWSE	7	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO A LACK OF DATA.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 166077-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**

BILLIE R HOLMAN  
PO BOX 1276  
MALTA, MT 59538

GAIL KOKE  
PO BOX 1276  
MALTA, MT 59538

S JANE EREAUX  
1529 HWY 191 S  
MALTA, MT 59538 9324

DONOVAN W HOLMAN  
PO BOX 1276  
MALTA, MT 59538

**Priority Date:** APRIL 29, 1935

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 3.00 CFS

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**\*Source Name:** ALDER GULCH

**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			18	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** INSTREAM

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A PIPELINE AND DITCH.

Period of Use: MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 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				18	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 03/27/2012 , A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY LUKE PLOYHAR.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OR ALL OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LAND.

THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 166078-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** RAY HOLZEY  
PO BOX 1941  
MALTA, MT 59538

NEWTON E CUMMINGS  
PO BOX 329  
SACO, MT 59261

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 1, 1909

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 3.00 GPM

**Volume:** 1.50 AC-FT

**Households:** 1

**Maximum Acres:** 0.25

**Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF RUBY GULCH

**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		SENESE	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS	

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

**Diversion Means:** PIPELINE

**Subdivision:** ZORTMAN TOWNSITE TRACT/LOT: 7 BLOCK: 4

**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		SENESE	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
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<b>Total:</b>	0.25						

**Remarks:**

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ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 03/12/2012 , THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY JOHN AND GAIL CUMMINGS.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 167785-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES R MERCHANT  
4 COTTONWOOD CREEK LN  
VOLBORG, MT 59351 9802

**Priority Date:** MARCH 21, 1931

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 4.00 CFS

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**Maximum Acres:** 22.23

**Source Name:** ALDER GULCH

**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		SWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 1 TO JUNE 1

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

**Period of Use:** MARCH 1 TO JUNE 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			NWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
2			SENWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
3			SWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
4			NWSWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 12/13/2005: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/31/2006: VOLUME, PERIOD OF USE, PERIOD OF DIVERSION.

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

THE PLACE OF USE IS LOCATED IN GOLD SHOT LODE MINING CLAIM MINERAL SURVEY NO. 6445 AND PACIFIC FRACTION LODE MINING CLAIM MINERAL SURVEY NO. 6497.

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. 167785-00, 167786-00, 167787-00, 167788-00, 167790-00.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 167786-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES R MERCHANT  
4 COTTONWOOD CREEK LN  
VOLBORG, MT 59351 9802

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 18, 1927

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 1.00 CFS

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**Maximum Acres:** 22.23

**Source Name:** ALDER GULCH

**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		SWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** 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			NWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
2			SENWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
3			SWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
4			NWSWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 12/13/2005: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

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

THE PLACE OF USE IS LOCATED IN GOLD SHOT LODE MINING CLAIM MINERAL SURVEY NO. 6445 AND PACIFIC FRACTION LODE MINING CLAIM MINERAL SURVEY NO. 6497.

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 167787-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES R MERCHANT  
4 COTTONWOOD CREEK LN  
VOLBORG, MT 59351 9802

**Priority Date:** JULY 2, 1927

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 1.50 CFS

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**Maximum Acres:** 22.23

**Source Name:** ALDER GULCH

**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		SWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Period of Diversion:** FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 30

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

**Period of Use:** FEBRUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 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			NWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
2			SENWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
3			SWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
4			NWSWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 12/13/2005: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/31/2006: VOLUME, PERIOD OF USE, PERIOD OF DIVERSION.

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THE PLACE OF USE IS LOCATED IN GOLD SHOT LODE MINING CLAIM MINERAL SURVEY NO. 6445 AND PACIFIC FRACTION LODE MINING CLAIM MINERAL SURVEY NO. 6497.

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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 167788-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES R MERCHANT  
4 COTTONWOOD CREEK LN  
VOLBORG, MT 59351 9802

**Priority Date:** MAY 20, 1936

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 3.75 CFS

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**Maximum Acres:** 22.23

**Source Name:** ALDER GULCH

**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		SWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO AUGUST 31

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

**Period of Use:** APRIL 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			NWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
2			SENWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
3			SWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS
4			NWSWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS



**Remarks:**

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THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/31/2006: FLOW RATE, VOLUME, PERIOD OF USE, PERIOD OF DIVERSION.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 167789-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES R MERCHANT  
4 COTTONWOOD CREEK LN  
VOLBORG, MT 59351 9802

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1904

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 200.00 GPM

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**Source Name:** ALDER GULCH

**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		SENWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**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			NWSESW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OR ALL OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON FEDERAL LAND.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 167790-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** JAMES R MERCHANT  
4 COTTONWOOD CREEK LN  
VOLBORG, MT 59351 9802

**Priority Date:** JUNE 15, 1932

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 2.50 CFS

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**Maximum Acres:** 22.23

**Source Name:** ALDER GULCH

**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		SWNWSW	17	25N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Period of Diversion:** MARCH 1 TO AUGUST 31

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

**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>
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 167791-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** LUKE PLOYHAR  
16662 DYNAMIC DR  
LAKEVILLE, MN 55044 6068

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1902

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** MINING

**Flow Rate:** 2.00 CFS

**\*Volume:** THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE VOLUME OF WATER HISTORICALLY USED FOR MINING PURPOSES.

**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MONTANA GULCH

**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER  
ALSO KNOWN AS GOLD BUG ADIT

**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	22	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

**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			SWNWNE	22	25N	24E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175799-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 30, 1972

**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:** COW 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		SENENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM



\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: LOWER COW CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 5.00 ACRES  
Capacity: 20.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			S2NENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE ASSOCIATED WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS SHARE THE SAME POINT OF DIVERSION.

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**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 USE RIGHT ON COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175800-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** APRIL 15, 1889

**Type of Historical Right:** DECREED

**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:** HEDGES 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	9	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		SENWSW	10	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		SENESE	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**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>
	S2NESE	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 3				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	4.00 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	16.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			SWNWNW	10	27N	19E	BLAINE
2			SWNW	10	27N	19E	BLAINE
3			W2SW	10	27N	19E	BLAINE
4			S2NESE	14	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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 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 600 MINER'S INCHES DECREED IN CASE NO. 2343 , BLAINE COUNTY. 175800-00, 175818-00.

THE CLAIMED MEANS OF DIVERSION CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM AVAILABLE DATA.

EXAMINATION OF THE CLAIMED FLOW RATE IS PENDING RESOLUTION OF THE MEANS OF DIVERSION ISSUE.

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 12/28/2009 , A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY ROBERT J HERDEGEN.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. USE OF THIS WATER MAY NOT BE FEASIBLE DURING WINTER MONTHS.

THE RESERVOIR IS NOT SHOWN ON USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH 278-100 DATED 10/08/1980. IT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN BUILT AFTER THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION AND MAY INDICATE AN EXPANSION OF THE WATER RIGHT.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING TWO SEPARATE SOURCES OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175801-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** MAY 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:** COW 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	15	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2NE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		S2	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
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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>
4		S2	17	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

5		N2SE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

6		SENWSE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31  
**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**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			N2S2	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
2			S2NE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
3			S2	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
4			S2	17	27N	19E	BLAINE
5			N2SE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
6			SENWSE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE

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175801-00 175813-00 215415-00

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THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175802-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 30, 1972

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 30.00 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:** COW 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		SWNENW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

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

**\*Place of Use:**

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1			E2NESE	21	27N	19E	BLAINE
2			SWNWSW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE



**Remarks:**

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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.**

IT APPEARS THAT AN UNAUTHORIZED POST-JUNE 30, 1973 CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE MAY HAVE OCCURRED. SEE CLAIM FILE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE RIGHT ON COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175803-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 30, 1972

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 30.00 GPM

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**Source Name:** COW 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		SENENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** PUMP

PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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	30	27N	20E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE ASSOCIATED WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS SHARE THE SAME POINT OF DIVERSION.

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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.**

IT APPEARS THAT AN UNAUTHORIZED POST-JUNE 30, 1973 CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE MAY HAVE OCCURRED. SEE CLAIM FILE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE RIGHT ON COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE 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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175804-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 30, 1972

**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:** COW 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		SWNENW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: COW CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u> N2NW	<u>Sec</u> 21	<u>Twp</u> 27N	<u>Rge</u> 19E	<u>County</u> BLAINE
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION # 1				
Dam Height:	53.00 FEET				
Depth:	45.00 FEET				
Surface Area:	85.70 ACRES				
Capacity:	1,543.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE NENE SEC 20 TWP 27N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.

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			NENE	20	27N	19E	BLAINE
2			N2NW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE ASSOCIATED WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS SHARE THE SAME POINT OF DIVERSION.

175802-00    175804-00    175817-00    175819-00    175820-00    215416-00

**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 USE RIGHT ON COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE 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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175805-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1932

**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 ALS 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		SWSWNE	25	27N	19E	BLAINE

**\*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>
	SWSWNE	25	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWNE	25	27N	19E	BLAINE

Remarks:

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

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

EXISTENCE OF THE CLAIMED RESERVOIR CANNOT BE CONFIRMED WITH AVAILABLE DATA.

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**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175806-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SHARON F POWELL  
PO BOX 456  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0456

WILLIAM D POWELL  
PO BOX 456  
CHINOOK, MT 59523 0456

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1932

**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 COW 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		SWN	WSW	29	27N	20E	BLAINE

**\*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>
	SWNWSW	29	27N	20E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.70 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.80 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	29	27N	20E	BLAINE

**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  
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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175807-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1932

**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:** MANMADE PIT, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALS 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	27	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** PIT

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

**Reservoir:** ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NESENW	27	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	27	27N	19E	BLAINE

Remarks:

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THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

EXISTENCE OF THE CLAIMED PIT CANNOT BE CONFIRMED WITH AVAILABLE DATA.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175808-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1932

**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:** MANMADE PIT, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ALS CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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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>
1		NENWSE	36	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

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

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENWSE	36	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1  
**Dam Height:** 14.90 FEET  
**Depth:** 10.30 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 0.78 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE PIT EXTENDS INTO THE SESWNE SEC 36 TWP 27N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.  
SEE THE VERIFICATION WORKSHEET IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL RESERVOIR DATA.

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

\*Place of Use:

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1			SESWNE	36	27N	19E	BLAINE
2			NENWSE	36	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

THIS CLAIM AND WATER RIGHT NO. 3825-00 APPEAR TO BE REDUNDANT FILINGS. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE, IT APPEARS WATER FROM THE SOURCE WAS FIRST USED IN 1974.

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175809-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1932

**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 ALS 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		W2	SWSW	22	27N	19E BLAINE

**\*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>
	W2SWSW	22	27N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.60 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			W2SWSW	22	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

CLAIM NOS. 30075-00 AND 175809-00 MAY BE REDUNDANT CLAIMS ON THE SAME HISTORIC APPROPRIATION OF WATER. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

THE PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION 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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175810-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1932

**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 COW 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE

**\*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>
	SENE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	0.20 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	0.80 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	18	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

**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 USE RIGHT ON AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE 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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175811-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1932

**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 HEDGES CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

SOURCE IS COMPOSED OF TWO UNNAMED TRIBUTARIES WITHIN THE POINT OF DIVERSION LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION.

**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		NENWSE	8	27N	19E	BLAINE

**\*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>
	NENWSE	8	27N	19E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.60 ACRES  
Capacity: 2.40 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			NENWSE	8	27N	19E	BLAINE

Remarks:

**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 USE RIGHT ON UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HEDGES CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175812-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1932

**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 COW CREEK, 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESWSW	20	27N	19E	BLAINE

**\*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>
	NESWSW	20	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 1				
<b>Dam Height:</b>	13.00 FEET				
<b>Depth:</b>	10.00 FEET				
<b>Surface Area:</b>	0.25 ACRES				
<b>Capacity:</b>	1.00 ACRE-FEET				

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	20	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

CLAIM NOS. 155533-00 AND 175812-00 MAY BE REDUNDANT CLAIMS ON THE SAME HISTORIC APPROPRIATION OF WATER. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE RIGHT ON COW CREEK, NORTH FORK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175813-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** MARCH 28, 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:** COW 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	15	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2NE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		S2	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
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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>
4		S2	17	27N	19E	BLAINE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

5		N2SE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

6		SENWSE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
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Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

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	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
2			S2NE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
3			S2	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
4			S2	17	27N	19E	BLAINE
5			N2SE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE
6			SENWSE	18	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE ASSOCIATED WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS SHARE THE SAME POINT OF DIVERSION.

175801-00 175813-00 215415-00

**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 400 MINER'S INCHES DECREED IN CASE NO. 2343 , BLAINE COUNTY. 175813-00, 175819-00.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. USE OF THIS WATER MAY NOT BE FEASIBLE DURING WINTER MONTHS.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175814-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1953

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**\*Purpose(use):** MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

**Flow Rate:** 20.00 GPM

**Volume:** 4.20 AC-FT

**Households:** 3

**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		NWNENE	22	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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	0.50		NWNENE	22	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Total:** 0.50

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**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 PLACE OF USE LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION COULD NOT BE REFINED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE CLAIMING TWO SEPARATE SOURCES OF WATER. MORE THAN ONE WATER RIGHT MAY BE INVOLVED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 175815-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 30, 1982

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  
**Flow Rate:** 20.00 GPM  
**Volume:** 3.20 AC-FT  
**Households:** 3

**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	22	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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			SE	22	27N	19E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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

THIS CLAIM AND WATER RIGHT NO. 51228-00 APPEAR TO BE REDUNDANT FILINGS. IT APPEARS ONLY ONE WATER RIGHT IS INVOLVED.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175816-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** JULY 31, 1970

**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:** 370.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 583.00

**Source Name:** HEDGES 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		SENESE	14	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

PUMP USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENESE	14	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Period of Use:** FEBRUARY 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	18.00		N2SWSE	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
2	2.00		SWNWSW	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
3	66.00		S2SW	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
4	28.00		S2N2S2	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
5	159.00		S2S2	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
6	115.00		S2S2	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
7	5.00		S2NESE	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
8	10.00		S2S2SE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
9	15.00		S2S2SW	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
10	19.00		SESE	17	27N	19E	BLAINE
11	6.00		E2SWSE	17	27N	19E	BLAINE
12	18.00		N2N2NE	21	27N	19E	BLAINE
13	7.00		N2N2NW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE
14	23.00		N2N2N2	22	27N	19E	BLAINE
15	90.00		N2N2	23	27N	19E	BLAINE
16	2.00		NWNWNW	24	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	<b>583.00</b>						

**Remarks:**

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175816-00 175817-00 175818-00 175819-00 175820-00

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/29/1995: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

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

AN AMENDMENT WAS SUBMITTED 03/29/1995 TO AMEND THE PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES . THE AMENDMENT SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGES THE ORIGINALLY FILED STATEMENT OF CLAIM.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 175816-00, 175817-00, 175818-00, 175819-00, 175820-00, 215415-00, 215416-00.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL PERIOD OF USE FOR THE CLAIMED PURPOSE WHICH IS APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-100 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 186 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.



THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE AND ACRES IRRIGATED MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. REVIEW OF AVAILABLE DATA APPEARS TO INDICATE FEWER ACRES MAY HAVE BEEN IRRIGATED THAN HAS BEEN CLAIMED.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE RIGHT ON HEDGES CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

THE RESERVOIR IS NOT SHOWN ON USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO. 278-100 DATED 10/07/1980. IT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN BUILT AFTER THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION AND MAY INDICATE AN EXPANSION OF THE WATER RIGHT.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175817-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1889

**Type of Historical Right:** DECREED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER/FLOOD

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

**Volume:** 1,402.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**\*Maximum Acres:** 375.00

**Source Name:** COW 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		N2NW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

2		S2NENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** DAM

3		NENWSW	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**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>
4		SWSENE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

WATER STORED UNDER THIS RIGHT IS RELEASED FROM TU RESERVOIR AND IS DIVERTED FROM AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY AND HEDGES CREEK AT THE FOLLOWING SECONDARY POINTS OF DIVERSION: SWSENE SEC 16, NENWSW SEC 15, SENWSE SEC 15, SENESE SEC 14 TWP 27N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.

PUMP USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** COW CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2NW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1  
**Dam Height:** 53.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 45.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 85.70 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 1,543.00 ACRE-FEET

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LOWER COW CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 2  
**Dam Height:** 13.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 10.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 5.00 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 20.00 ACRE-FEET

**\*Reservoir:** OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** DIVERSION RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENWSW	15	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 3  
**Dam Height:** 13.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 10.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 1.00 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 4.00 ACRE-FEET

**\*Reservoir:** OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** TU RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 4  
**Dam Height:** 26.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 20.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 48.40 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 390.00 ACRE-FEET

**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	8.30		SWSE	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
2	0.80		SWNWSW	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
3	33.90		S2SW	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
4	8.40		S2N2S2	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
5	124.70		S2S2	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
6	98.80		S2S2	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
7	0.10		SENESE	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
8	17.40		N2N2	22	27N	19E	BLAINE
9	82.60		N2N2	23	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	<b>375.00</b>						

**Remarks:**

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175816-00 175817-00 175818-00 175819-00 175820-00

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE ASSOCIATED WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS SHARE THE SAME POINT OF DIVERSION.

175802-00 175804-00 175817-00 175819-00 175820-00 215416-00

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/29/1995: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 10/19/2012: POINT OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, RESERVOIR RECORD, VOLUME, PERIOD OF USE.

**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 1000 MINER'S INCHES DECREED IN CASE NO. 2343 , BLAINE COUNTY. 175801-00, 175817-00.

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

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 175816-00, 175817-00, 175818-00, 175819-00, 175820-00, 215415-00, 215416-00.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). MV-7R-123, MV-7R-124, MV7R-125 , DATED 09/06/1956 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 314 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175818-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** APRIL 15, 1889

**Type of Historical Right:** DECREED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER/FLOOD

**Flow Rate:** 15.00 CFS

**Volume:** 630.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 583.00

**Source Name:** HEDGES 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	9	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

2			SENWSW	10	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** FEBRUARY 1 TO OCTOBER 31

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

3			SENESE	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** DAM

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u> SENESE	<u>Sec</u> 14	<u>Twp</u> 27N	<u>Rge</u> 19E	<u>County</u> BLAINE
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Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 3

Period of Use: FEBRUARY 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	18.00		N2SWSE	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
2	2.00		SWNWSW	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
3	66.00		S2SW	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
4	28.00		S2N2S2	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
5	159.00		S2S2	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
6	115.00		S2S2	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
7	5.00		S2NESE	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
8	10.00		S2S2SE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
9	15.00		S2S2SW	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
10	19.00		SESE	17	27N	19E	BLAINE
11	6.00		E2SWSE	17	27N	19E	BLAINE
12	18.00		N2N2NE	21	27N	19E	BLAINE
13	7.00		N2N2NW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE
14	23.00		N2N2N2	22	27N	19E	BLAINE
15	90.00		N2N2	23	27N	19E	BLAINE
16	2.00		NWNWNW	24	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	<b>583.00</b>						

**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.

175816-00 175817-00 175818-00 175819-00 175820-00

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.

175800-00 175818-00

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/29/1995: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

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

AN AMENDMENT WAS SUBMITTED 03/29/1995 TO AMEND THE PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES . THE AMENDMENT SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGES THE ORIGINALLY FILED STATEMENT OF 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 600 MINER'S INCHES DECREED IN CASE NO. 2343 , BLAINE COUNTY. 175800-00, 175818-00.

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

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 175816-00, 175817-00, 175818-00, 175819-00, 175820-00, 215415-00, 215416-00.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 243 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-100 , DATED 10/07/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 186 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE AND ACRES IRRIGATED MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. REVIEW OF AVAILABLE DATA APPEARS TO INDICATE FEWER ACRES MAY HAVE BEEN IRRIGATED THAN HAS BEEN CLAIMED.

IT APPEARS POINT OF DIVERSION NOS. 1AND 2 MAY BE INCORRECT. THE EXISTENCE OF CONVEYENCE DITCHES TO THE PLACE OF USE CANNOT BE CONFIRMED FROM AVAILABLE DATA.

THE CLAIMED POINTS OF DIVERSION MAY BE INCOMPLETE. IT APPEARS THERE SHOULD BE AN ADDITIONAL POINT OF DIVERSION ON COW CREEK WHICH COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED FROM INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE RESERVOIR IS NOT SHOWN ON USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO. 278-100 DATED 10/07/1980. IT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN BUILT AFTER THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION AND MAY INDICATE AN EXPANSION OF THE WATER RIGHT.

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

**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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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 EXAMINATION RESULTS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175819-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** MARCH 28, 1889

**Type of Historical Right:** DECREED

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER/FLOOD

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

**Volume:** 561.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 375.00

**Source Name:** COW 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		N2NW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

2		S2NENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** DAM

3		NENWSW	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**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>
4		SWSENE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

WATER STORED UNDER THIS RIGHT IS RELEASED FROM TU RESERVOIR AND IS DIVERTED FROM AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY AND HEDGES CREEK AT THE FOLLOWING SECONDARY POINTS OF DIVERSION: SWSENE SEC 16, NENWSW SEC 15, SENWSE SEC 15, SENESE SEC 14 TWP 27N RGE 19E BLAINE COUNTY.

PUMP USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** COW CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2NW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1  
**Dam Height:** 53.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 45.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 85.70 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 1,543.00 ACRE-FEET

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LOWER COW CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 2  
**Dam Height:** 13.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 10.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 5.00 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 20.00 ACRE-FEET

**\*Reservoir:** OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** DIVERSION RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENWSW	15	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 3  
**Dam Height:** 13.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 10.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 1.00 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 4.00 ACRE-FEET

**\*Reservoir:** OFFSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** TU RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 4  
**Dam Height:** 26.00 FEET  
**Depth:** 20.00 FEET  
**Surface Area:** 48.40 ACRES  
**Capacity:** 390.00 ACRE-FEET

**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	8.30		SWSE	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
2	0.80		SWNWSW	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
3	33.90		S2SW	13	27N	19E	BLAINE
4	8.40		S2N2S2	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
5	124.70		S2S2	14	27N	19E	BLAINE
6	98.80		S2S2	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
7	0.10		SENESE	15	27N	19E	BLAINE
8	17.40		N2N2	22	27N	19E	BLAINE
9	82.60		N2N2	23	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	<b>375.00</b>						

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175802-00 175804-00 175817-00 175819-00 175820-00 215416-00

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/29/1995: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 10/19/2012: POINT OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, RESERVOIR RECORD, VOLUME, PERIOD OF USE.

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

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 175816-00, 175817-00, 175818-00, 175819-00, 175820-00, 215415-00, 215416-00.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). MV-7R-123, MV-7R-124, MV-7R-125 , DATED 09/06/1956 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 314 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 175820-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** WELLS FARGO AG CREDIT CORP  
9350 E ARAPAHOE RD #300  
ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 30, 1972

**Type of Historical Right:**

**Purpose(use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER/FLOOD

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

**Volume:** 1,389.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 375.00

**Source Name:** COW 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		N2NW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

2		S2NENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**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>
3		NENWSW	15	27N	19E	BLAINE

**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>
4		SWSENE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

WATER STORED UNDER THIS RIGHT IS CONVEYED VIA PIPELINE TO TU RESERVOIR AND RELEASED DOWN AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY AND HEDGES CREEK AT SEVERAL SECONDARY POINTS OF DIVERSION. SEE CLAIM FILE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

PUMP USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM      **Reservoir Name:** COW CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2NW	21	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

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**Depth:** 45.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 85.70 ACRES

**Capacity:** 1,543.00 ACRE-FEET

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<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NENW	23	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 2

**Dam Height:** 13.00 FEET

**Depth:** 10.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 5.00 ACRES

**Capacity:** 20.00 ACRE-FEET

**\*Reservoir:** OFFSTREAM      **Reservoir Name:** DIVERSION RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENWSW	15	27N	19E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 3

**Dam Height:** 13.00 FEET

**Depth:** 10.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 1.00 ACRES

**Capacity:** 4.00 ACRE-FEET

\*Reservoir: OFFSTREAM Reservoir Name: TU RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NE	16	27N	19E	BLAINE
<b>Diversion to Reservoir:</b>	DIVERSION # 4				
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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>
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THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 10/19/2012: POINT OF DIVERSION, PERIOD OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, RESERVOIR RECORD, VOLUME, PERIOD OF USE.

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

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 175816-00, 175817-00, 175818-00, 175819-00, 175820-00, 215415-00, 215416-00.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PART OF THE PLACE OF USE APPEARS TO BE ON STATE LANDS.

THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS RIGHT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PLACE OF USE IS NOT OWNED BY WELLS FARGO AG CREDIT CORP.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE OR DECREED RIGHT ON COW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

NO TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT WAS CLAIMED. DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED WITH THE CLAIM INDICATES A USE AND A DECREED RIGHT.

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180796-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 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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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW 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	8	NWNE	1	27N	17E	BLAINE

**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		8	NWNE	1	27N	17E	BLAINE

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180797-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1930

**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 COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK  
**Source Type:** GROUNDWATER

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

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1		NW	1	27N	17E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING  
PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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:** 40EJ 180798-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1930

**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 COW CREEK, 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	9	SESENE	1	27N	17E	BLAINE

**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		9	SESENE	1	27N	17E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE, IT APPEARS WATER FROM THE SOURCE WAS FIRST USED IN 1910.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180806-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1930

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 GPM

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**\*Source Name:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, 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		SESEW	1	27N	17E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

**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			SESEW	1	27N	17E	BLAINE

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180807-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** JULY 31, 1935

**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 COW CREEK, 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>Tw</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2	NWSWNW	7	27N	18E	BLAINE

**\*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>
2	NWSWNW	7	27N	18E	BLAINE

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 13.00 FEET  
Depth: 10.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.40 ACRES  
Capacity: 1.60 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	NWSWNW	7	27N	18E	BLAINE

Remarks:

**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 USE RIGHT ON AN UNAMMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180808-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1930

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 5.00 GPM

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1		SWSWSE	12	27N	17E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** DEVELOPED SPRING

PIPELINE USED AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF DIVERSION.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180809-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1930

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNESE	13	27N	17E	BLAINE

**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			SWNESE	13	27N	17E	BLAINE

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**Remarks:**

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**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180838-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 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:** COW CREEK, 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		S2NW	12	27N	17E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		N2SE	12	27N	17E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		SESE	12	27N	17E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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4		NENSW	12	27N	17E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
5		NENE	13	27N	17E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
6		S2NW	18	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
7		N2NESW	18	27N	18E	BLAINE
<b>Period of Diversion:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						
<b>Diversion Means:</b> LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE						
<b>Period of Use:</b> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31						

**\*Place of Use:**

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1			S2NW	12	27N	17E	BLAINE
2			N2SE	12	27N	17E	BLAINE
3			SESE	12	27N	17E	BLAINE
4			NENSW	12	27N	17E	BLAINE
5			NENE	13	27N	17E	BLAINE
6			S2NW	18	27N	18E	BLAINE
7			N2NESW	18	27N	18E	BLAINE

**Remarks:**

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

POINT OF DIVERSION AND PLACE OF USE INCLUDES GOVT LOT 2 IN SEC 18 TWP 27N RGE 18E , BLAINE COUNTY.

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

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180839-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 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:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF COW CREEK, 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		N2S2	1	27N	17E	BLAINE

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

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2		S2NE	7	27N	18E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3		NESENW	7	27N	18E	BLAINE
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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4		NENESE	7	27N	18E	BLAINE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

5		N2NWSW	8	27N	18E	BLAINE
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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			N2S2	1	27N	17E	BLAINE
2			S2NE	7	27N	18E	BLAINE
3			NESENW	7	27N	18E	BLAINE
4			NENESE	7	27N	18E	BLAINE
5			N2NWSW	8	27N	18E	BLAINE

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180876-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 6, 1900

**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:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 79.00

**\*Source Name:** COW 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		SEWSE	12	27N	17E	BLAINE

**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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	39.00		SESE	12	27N	17E	BLAINE
2	40.00		NENE	13	27N	17E	BLAINE

**Total:** 79.00

**Remarks:**

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FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. THE BLAINE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY ( 1967 ) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 278-95 , DATED 10/08/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE RIGHT ON COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

IT APPEARS THIS WATER RIGHT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN PERFECTED. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION IN THE CLAIM FILE, THE DITCH IS AT A LOWER ELEVATION THAN THE CLAIMED PLACE OF USE . ALL ELEMENTS OF THIS CLAIM MAY BE QUESTIONABLE.

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 180878-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** SAND CREEK RANCH LLC  
PO BOX 1280  
HAVRE, MT 59501 1280

**\*Priority Date:** MAY 31, 1909

**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:** 628.00 AC-FT

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 157.00

**Source Name:** COW 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		NENSW	12	27N	17E	BLAINE

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 1

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Reservoir:** ONSTREAM

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENSW	12	27N	17E	BLAINE

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	39.00		SWSE	12	27N	17E	BLAINE
2	80.00		E2NE	13	27N	17E	BLAINE
3	38.00		NENW	13	27N	17E	BLAINE
<b>Total:</b>	157.00						

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THE CLAIMED MEANS OF DIVERSION MAY BE INCORRECT AND CANNOT BE CONFIRMED DUE TO LACK OF DATA.

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THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A FILED APPROPRIATION ON COW CREEK, SOUTH FORK WITH A PRIORITY DATE PREDATING CASE NO. 2343 BLAINE COUNTY.

DNRC EXAMINATION WAS UNABLE TO CONFIRM THE USE OF THIS WATER RIGHT. IT APPEARS THIS WATER RIGHT MAY HAVE NOT BEEN PERFECTED.

EXISTENCE OF THE CLAIMED RESERVOIR CANNOT BE CONFIRMED WITH AVAILABLE DATA.

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

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182942-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 14, 1967

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 9.80 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF NICHOLS 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	4	SWSWSW	18	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** SANYU RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
4	SWSWSW	18	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 9.80 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE SESESE SEC 13 TWP 22N RGE 26E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SE	SE	13	22N	26E PHILLIPS
2		4	S	SW	18	22N	27E PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182942-00 30049079

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049079 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182943-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1942

**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:** 1.80 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	7	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** GRANITE ROCK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSWSE	7	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 1.80 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWSE	7	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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182943-00 30049040

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/02/2011: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049040 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182944-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1970

**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:** 2.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K 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		NWSESE	1	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** AIRPLANE RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWSESE	1	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 9.30 FEET

**Depth:** 6.30 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.80 ACRES

**Capacity:** 2.00 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE NESWSE SEC 1 TWP 22N RGE 26E PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			NWSESE	1	22N	26E	PHILLIPS
2			NESWSE	1	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182944-00 30049046

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049046 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182952-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1964

**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:** 10.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF JIM WELLS 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	20	21N	30E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** CUT-OFF RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWNWSE	20	21N	30E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 8.60 ACRES

**Capacity:** 27.52 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE S2S2N2 SEC 20 TWP 21N RGE 30E PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, SURFACE AREA, AND CAPACITY HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	20	21N	30E	PHILLIPS
2			N2N2S2	20	21N	30E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182952-00 30048875

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048875 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182957-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** JULY 13, 1952

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 2.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HAWLEY 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		SWSEW	33	22N	29E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** HAWLEY RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESW	33	22N	29E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 2.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SESW	33	22N	29E	PHILLIPS

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182957-00 30048876

THE PRIORITY DATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048876 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182958-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** OCTOBER 31, 1953

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 3.00 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 MANNING BOTTOM 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		NESEW	3	21N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** WELL

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A STOCK TANK.

**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			NESEW	3	21N	25E	PHILLIPS

**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.

182958-00 30049135

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE VOLUME WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/05/2011.

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

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049135 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 182959-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1942

**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:** 8.40 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MISSOURI 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		NEN	SW 34	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** PEGGY BOYCE RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NEN	SW 34	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 8.40 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NEN	34	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182959-00 30049047

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/02/2011: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049047 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 182960-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** MAY 19, 1961

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 4.00 AC-FT

**Source Name:** SIPARYANN CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS SLIPPERY ANN 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		NWSE	19		22N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: SLIPPERY ANN PIT

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWSE	19	22N	25E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 20.00 FEET  
Depth: 17.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 0.60 ACRES  
Capacity: 4.00 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			NWSE	19	22N	25E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182960-00 30048942

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE, PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048942 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182961-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 14, 1967

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 13.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	4	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** ABU RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2NWSE	4	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 24.40 FEET

**Depth:** 22.10 FEET

**Surface Area:** 1.50 ACRES

**Capacity:** 13.00 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE S2SWNE SEC 4 TWP 22N RGE 26E  
PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
THE SURFACE AREA BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	4	22N	26E	PHILLIPS
2			N2NWSE	4	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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182961-00 30048955

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE VOLUME WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048955 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182962-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** OCTOBER 26, 1954

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 5.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SIPARYANN CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SLIPPERY ANN 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		NW	NESW	24	22N	24E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

\*Reservoir: ONSTREAM      Reservoir Name: CROSSED STICKS RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	24	22N	24E	PHILLIPS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1  
Dam Height: 11.00 FEET  
Depth: 8.00 FEET  
Surface Area: 1.50 ACRES  
Capacity: 5.00 ACRE-FEET

THE DEPTH AND DAM HEIGHT HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	24	22N	24E	PHILLIPS

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182962-00 30048956

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE VOLUME WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048956 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182963-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 14, 1967

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 2.40 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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		SENE SW	6	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** STRIPE RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENE SW	6	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 2.40 ACRE-FEET

SOME CAPACITIES WERE ESTIMATED BY THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE USING THEIR HISTORICAL DESIGN DRAWINGS. FOR CAPACITIES ESTIMATED IN THIS WAY, THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA WERE NOT ESTIMATED. PLEASE SEE THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S SPREADSHEET RECEIVED MARCH 12, 2010 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VARIABLES USED TO ESTIMATE THE STORAGE CAPACITY.

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	6	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182963-00 30049048

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049048 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182964-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** MAY 27, 1955

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	SENW	9	22N	26E PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LUGAR RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	SENW	9	22N	26E PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 3.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NW	9	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182964-00 30049049

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/02/2011: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049049 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 182965-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1970

**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:** 1.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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		NWSESE	8	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** STICK IN THE MUD RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2SESE	8	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 1.30 ACRES

**Capacity:** 4.16 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE SWSESE SEC 8 TWP 22N RGE 26E PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			W2SESE	8	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182965-00 30048958

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048958 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182966-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** JUNE 18, 1957

**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:** 8.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WILDER 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		S	SE	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** CROOKED WASH RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S	SE	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 9.40 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE SESENW SEC 17 TWP 22N RGE 26E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2	SE	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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182966-00 30048967

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048967 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182967-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 14, 1967

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 10.90 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	7	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** BOA RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2NWSE	7	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 10.90 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2N	WSE	7	22N	26E PHILLIPS

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182967-00 30049050

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049050 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182968-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** AUGUST 4, 1959

**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:** 4.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	1	SWNE	5	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** RAINBOW RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2NE	5	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 2.70 ACRES

**Capacity:** 8.64 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	W2	NENE	5	22N	26E PHILLIPS
2		2	E2	NWNE	5	22N	26E PHILLIPS

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182968-00 30048973

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048973 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182969-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 25, 1942

**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:** 14.78 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MISSOURI 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		SWSWNW	27	22N	28E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** NOVAK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSWNW	27	22N	28E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 14.78 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWNW	27	22N	28E	PHILLIPS

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.

182969-00 30048974

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010: VOLUME, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048974 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182971-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1952

**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:** 1.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DUVAL 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	SENW	20	22N	24E PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** WALK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2	SENW	20	22N	24E PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 1.50 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	SENW 20	22N	24E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182971-00 30048977

THE PRIORITY DATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048977 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182972-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 7, 1961

**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:** 4.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DUVAL 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		NWNWNW	27	22N	24E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** DUVAL PIT

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWNWNW	27	22N	24E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 4.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWNW	27	22N	24E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182972-00 30048981

THE TYPE OF RIGHT WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048981 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182973-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 19, 1957

**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:** 4.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DUVAL 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 11	22N	23E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** WAVY RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NE	SENE 11	22N	23E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 4.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	SENE	11	22N	23E PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182973-00 30049051

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049051 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182974-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** NOVEMBER 17, 1966

**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:** 5.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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		SENWSW	22	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** SAVIOR RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENWSW	22	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 5.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SEN	SW 22	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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182974-00 30048982

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048982 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182975-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 4, 1955

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	13	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** ANTELOPE RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSESW	13	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 2.50 ACRE-FEET

SOME CAPACITIES WERE ESTIMATED BY THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE USING THEIR HISTORICAL DESIGN DRAWINGS. FOR CAPACITIES ESTIMATED IN THIS WAY, THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA WERE NOT ESTIMATED. PLEASE SEE THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S SPREADSHEET RECEIVED MARCH 12, 2010 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VARIABLES USED TO ESTIMATE THE STORAGE CAPACITY.

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	13	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182975-00 30048992

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE TYPE OF RIGHT WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048992 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182976-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 14, 1961

**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:** 19.20 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WILDER 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		SWNESE	13	22N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** SPINK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWNESE	13	22N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 27.80 FEET

**Depth:** 20.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 2.40 ACRES

**Capacity:** 19.20 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE NWSESE SEC 13 TWP 22N RGE 25E PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWNESE	13	22N	25E	PHILLIPS
2			NWSESE	13	22N	25E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182976-00 30048993

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE TYPE OF RIGHT WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048993 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182985-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 12, 1962

THE PRIORITY DATE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS BEEN CHANGED TO THE DATE OF FILING THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF GROUNDWATER APPROPRIATION ( FORM GW2 ). THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 6.00 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 NICHOLS COULEE WELL

**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	4	21N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** WELL

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A STOCK TANK.

**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	W	SENE	4	21N 27E PHILLIPS

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182985-00 30049138

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE VOLUME WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/05/2011.

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

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049138 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
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**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182986-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 1, 1955

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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		NESWNW	23	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** DUCK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NESWNW	23	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 2.25 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE NWSNW SEC 23 TWP 22N RGE 26E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

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Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

\*Place of Use:

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1			NW	23	22N	26E	PHILLIPS
2			NE	23	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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182986-00 30049052

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IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049052 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182987-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 22, 1971

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 6.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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		NWSWNE	11	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** SQUAT RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWSWNE	11	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 6.00 ACRE-FEET

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Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

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1			NWSWNE	11	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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182987-00 30049053

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182988-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1970

**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:** 1.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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		SENWSW	1	22N	25E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** MANNING PIT

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	S2NWSW	1	22N	25E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.30 ACRES

**Capacity:** 0.96 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			S2N	SW 1	22N	25E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182988-00 30049054

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049054 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182989-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1959

**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:** 2.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MISSOURI 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		SE	22	20N	30E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** WIOTE RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SE	22	20N	30E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.90 ACRES

**Capacity:** 2.88 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	22	20N	30E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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182989-00 30049140

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049140 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182990-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 14, 1967

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 1.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	5	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** BINTA RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSWSE	5	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 8.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.30 ACRES

**Capacity:** 1.00 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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWSWSE	5	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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182990-00 30048994

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048994 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182993-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 10, 1954

**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:** 0.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MISSOURI 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		NWSWNE	13	20N	29E	PETROLEUM

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** RIDGE POND

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWSWNE	13	20N	29E	PETROLEUM

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.30 ACRES

**Capacity:** 0.96 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			NWSWNE	13	20N	29E	PETROLEUM

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182993-00 30049081

THE PRIORITY DATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/30/2010.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE PRIORITY DATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/10/2011.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049081 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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

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MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 182995-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 3 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1969

**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:** 2.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF NICHOLS 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SE	21	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** STARKEY RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SE	21	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.70 ACRES

**Capacity:** 2.24 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	SW	21	22N	27E PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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182995-00 30050350

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30050350 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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

CLAIM WAS IMPROPERLY DESIGNATED TO BASIN 40E AND WAS INCLUDED IN THE TEMPORARY PRELIMINARY DECREE ISSUED 03/07/1985.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
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BASIN 40EJ  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183000-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 13, 1955

**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:** 7.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MISSOURI 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		SWNE	7	21N	28E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** KANNUCK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NE	7	21N	28E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 7.00 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE NWSENE SEC 7 TWP 21N RGE 28E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NE	7	21N	28E	PHILLIPS

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.

183000-00 30049061

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049061 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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

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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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183001-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1970

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	3	SWNENW	2	21N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** HORNE TOAD RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
3	SWNENW	2	21N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.30 ACRES

**Capacity:** 0.96 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	SW	NENW	2	21N	26E PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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183001-00 30049067

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049067 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183002-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** AUGUST 6, 1959

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MISSOURI 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		SWNESE	3	21N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** FOREST RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWNESE	3	21N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.30 ACRES

**Capacity:** 0.96 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	3	21N	26E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183002-00 30049405

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE PRIORITY DATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 08/12/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049405 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183003-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1942

**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:** 2.20 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF NICHOLS 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NESWSE	32	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** MORGAN RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2SWSE	32	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 2.23 ACRE-FEET

SOME CAPACITIES WERE ESTIMATED BY THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE USING THEIR HISTORICAL DESIGN DRAWINGS. FOR CAPACITIES ESTIMATED IN THIS WAY, THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA WERE NOT ESTIMATED. PLEASE SEE THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S SPREADSHEET RECEIVED MARCH 12, 2010 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VARIABLES USED TO ESTIMATE THE STORAGE CAPACITY.

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			N2SWSE	32	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183003-00 30048995

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE TYPE OF RIGHT WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048995 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183004-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 22, 1971

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 3.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	NENWNE	1	21N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** DRAPER RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
2	N2NWNE	1	21N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 3.50 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE S2SWSE SEC 36 TWP 22N RGE 26E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

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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>
1		2	N2NWNE	1	21N	26E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183004-00 30049068

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049068 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183005-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** SEPTEMBER 22, 1961

**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:** 5.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K 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	34	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** ELK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2NESE	34	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 5.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2NESE	34	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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.

183005-00 30048996

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE TYPE OF RIGHT WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/26/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048996 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 183006-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** MAY 29, 1952

**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:** 1.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DUVAL 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		NWSENE	17	22N	24E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** CANOE RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWSENE	17	22N	24E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 1.20 ACRE-FEET

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

SOME CAPACITIES WERE ESTIMATED BY THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE USING THEIR HISTORICAL DESIGN DRAWINGS. FOR CAPACITIES ESTIMATED IN THIS WAY, THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA WERE NOT ESTIMATED. PLEASE SEE THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S SPREADSHEET RECEIVED MARCH 12, 2010 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VARIABLES USED TO ESTIMATE THE STORAGE CAPACITY.

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	17	22N	24E PHILLIPS

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.

183006-00 30048999

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30048999 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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 EXAMINATION RESULTS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 183007-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** AUGUST 6, 1959

**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:** 2.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF NICHOLS 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWSE	17	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** AGATE RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENWSE	17	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 1.60 ACRES

**Capacity:** 5.12 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE W2NESE SEC 17 TWP 22N RGE 27E PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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			W2NESE	17	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183007-00 30049425

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE PRIORITY DATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 08/12/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049425 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183008-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 14, 1967

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 11.10 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K 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	6	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** GLITTER RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSESE	6	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 11.10 ACRE-FEET

SOME CAPACITIES WERE ESTIMATED BY THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE USING THEIR HISTORICAL DESIGN DRAWINGS. FOR CAPACITIES ESTIMATED IN THIS WAY, THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA WERE NOT ESTIMATED. PLEASE SEE THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S SPREADSHEET RECEIVED MARCH 12, 2010 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VARIABLES USED TO ESTIMATE THE STORAGE CAPACITY.

OVERFLOW FROM THIS RESERVOIR SPILLS INTO AN ESCAVATED PIT. THE STORAGE CAPACITY PROVIDED BY THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE COMBINES THE CAPACITIES OF THESE TWO RETENTION STRUCTURES. THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE HAS CONFIRMED BOTH STRUCTURES ARE CLAIMED UNDER THIS FILING.

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			SW	SE	6	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183008-00 30049001

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049001 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183009-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 14, 1967

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 23.70 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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		NWSENW	3	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** BIDA RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2SENW	3	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 23.00 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE SWSNW SEC 3 TWP 22N RGE 26E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	SENW 3	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183009-00 30049141

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049141 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 183012-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** OCTOBER 28, 1954

**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:** 1.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WILDER 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	1	SWN	30	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** DEAD CALF RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	W2N	30	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 1.10 ACRES

**Capacity:** 3.52 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE E2NENE SEC 25 TWP 22N RGE 26E  
PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY  
DNRC.

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			E2NENE	25	22N	25E	PHILLIPS
2		1	W2NWNW	30	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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.

183012-00 30049142

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/02/2011: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049142 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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 EXAMINATION RESULTS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION (DNRC) DURING THE EXAMINATION PROCESS. 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:** 40EJ 183013-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** MAY 6, 1955

**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:** 0.75 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF WILDER 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NENWNE	31	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** STONEY POINT RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	N2NWNE	31	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			N2NWNE	31	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**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.

183013-00 30050225

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/02/2011: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30050225 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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

EXISTENCE OF THE CLAIMED RESERVOIR CANNOT BE CONFIRMED WITH 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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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 EXAMINATION RESULTS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 183014-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** MAY 26, 1961

**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:** 4.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF DUVAL 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		SWNWSE	1	22N	23E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** BISON RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWNWSE	1	22N	23E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 4.00 ACRE-FEET

THE RESERVOIR EXTENDS INTO THE SENESW SEC 1 TWP 22N RGE 23E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

SOME CAPACITIES WERE ESTIMATED BY THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE USING THEIR HISTORICAL DESIGN DRAWINGS. FOR CAPACITIES ESTIMATED IN THIS WAY, THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA WERE NOT ESTIMATED. PLEASE SEE THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S SPREADSHEET RECEIVED MARCH 12, 2010 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VARIABLES USED TO ESTIMATE THE STORAGE CAPACITY.

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	1	22N	23E	PHILLIPS
2			SENESE	1	22N	23E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183014-00 30049161

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/02/2011: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049161 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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 EXAMINATION RESULTS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 183015-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** MAY 15, 1956

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 8.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF BEAUCHAMP 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	2	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** DAN RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	E2SESE	2	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 2.40 ACRES

**Capacity:** 7.68 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE SESESE SEC 2 TWP 22N RGE 27E PHILLIPS COUNTY.  
THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	SESE	2	22N	27E PHILLIPS

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.

183015-00 30049433

THE VOLUME WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 08/12/2010.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049433 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 183019-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** MAY 28, 1955

**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:** 4.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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	10	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** ELK HORN RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SW	10	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 4.50 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE SWSESW SEC 10 TWP 22N RGE 26E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

SOME CAPACITIES WERE ESTIMATED BY THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE USING THEIR HISTORICAL DESIGN DRAWINGS. FOR CAPACITIES ESTIMATED IN THIS WAY, THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA WERE NOT ESTIMATED. PLEASE SEE THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S SPREADSHEET RECEIVED MARCH 12, 2010 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VARIABLES USED TO ESTIMATE THE STORAGE CAPACITY.

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	10	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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183019-00 30049163

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/02/2011: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049163 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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 BASINS OR SUBBASINS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
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:** 40EJ 183020-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1970

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SEVENMILE 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		NWN	SW 2	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** JIMMY RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWN	SW 2	22N	26E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.80 ACRES

**Capacity:** 2.56 ACRE-FEET



THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	WSW	2	22N	26E PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183020-00 30049166

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049166 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183021-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

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

**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:** 1.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SAND 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		SESESE	8	21N	25E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LOWER SAND CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESESE	8	21N	25E	FERGUS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Dam Height:** 11.00 FEET

**Depth:** 8.00 FEET

**Surface Area:** 0.40 ACRES

**Capacity:** 1.28 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

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	8	21N	25E FERGUS

**Remarks:**

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183021-00 30049083

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049083 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183022-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1956

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SAND 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		NESWNW	9	21N	24E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** GAME RANGE RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NESWNW	9	21N	24E	FERGUS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 3.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NESWNW	9	21N	24E	FERGUS

Remarks:

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183022-00 30049084

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE TYPE OF RIGHT WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/30/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049084 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183023-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** MAY 23, 1972

**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:** 5.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SAND 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	11	21N	24E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** BREVIER RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENENE	11	21N	24E	FERGUS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 5.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NENENE	11	21N	24E	FERGUS

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183023-00 30049466

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049466 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183024-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

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

**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:** 1.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SAND 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		NWSENE	15	21N	24E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A STOCK TANK.

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** SAND CREEK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SENE	15	21N	24E	FERGUS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 1.50 ACRE-FEET



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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENE	15	21N	24E	FERGUS

Remarks:

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183024-00 30049467

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049467 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183025-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 8, 1960

**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:** 1.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF CARROLL 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>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NWNWSE	19	21N	26E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** RINDAL RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NWNWSE	19	21N	26E	FERGUS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 1.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NWNWSE	19	21N	26E	FERGUS

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183025-00 30049471

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049471 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183026-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** **WITHDRAWN**

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**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:**

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**Remarks:**

THIS CLAIM WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS AT THE REQUEST OF THE CLAIMANT ON 07/21/2008.

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

**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183027-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** APRIL 28, 1982

**\*Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**Purpose(use):** STOCK

**Flow Rate:** 3.00 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 ZB 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		SWNWSE	23	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** WELL

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A STOCK TANK.

**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			SWNWSE	23	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Remarks:**

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183027-00 30049169

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/05/2011: VOLULME, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE PRIORITY DATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 05/19/2011.

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

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049169 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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 EXAMINATION RESULTS 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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183028-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 30, 1971

**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:** 0.15 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF TWO CALF CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

ALSO KNOWN AS KNOX RIDGE CATCHMENT

**\*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	32	22N	23E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** OTHER

THE MEANS OF DIVERSION IS A CATCHMENT APRON.

THE SYSTEM CONSISTS OF A RUBBERIZED FABRIC CATCHMENT APRON, STORAGE BAG, PIPELINE, AND WATER TROUGH.

**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	32	22N	23E	FERGUS

**\*Place of Use:**

ID    Acres Govt Lot            Qtr Sec    Sec    Tw Rge    County

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**Remarks:**

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183028-00    30049473

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049473 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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**  
**MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER**  
**BASIN 40EJ**  
**ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183029-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 17, 1951

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF CARROLL 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		SESWNE	30	21N	26E	FERGUS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** LOST ELK RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SESWNE	30	21N	26E	FERGUS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 3.00 ACRE-FEET

SOME CAPACITIES WERE ESTIMATED BY THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE USING THEIR HISTORICAL DESIGN DRAWINGS. FOR CAPACITIES ESTIMATED IN THIS WAY, THE DEPTH, DAM HEIGHT, AND SURFACE AREA WERE NOT ESTIMATED. PLEASE SEE THE USDI FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S SPREADSHEET RECEIVED MARCH 12, 2010 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VARIABLES USED TO ESTIMATE THE STORAGE CAPACITY.

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	SWNE	30	21N	26E FERGUS

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183029-00 30049085

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

THE TYPE OF RIGHT WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 07/30/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049085 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183030-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**Priority Date:** JUNE 15, 1955

**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:** 3.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MISSOURI 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		SWNENW	28	22N	28E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** BUCKSKIN RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	W2NENW	28	22N	28E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 3.50 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			W2	NENW 28	22N	28E	PHILLIPS

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183030-00 30049176

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/02/2011: PRIORITY DATE, TYPE OF RIGHT.

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049176 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183032-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** MAY 25, 1957

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 6.50 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF NICHOLS 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		SWSESE	18	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** MANY DEER RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWSESE	18	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 6.50 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE SESESE SEC 18 TWP 22N RGE 27E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SW	SESE	18	22N	27E PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183032-00 30049177

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049177 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183033-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 14, 1967

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	4	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** FOSDICK RETENTION

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NW	4	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 3.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			NW	4	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

Remarks:

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183033-00 30049179

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049179 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

**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  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
BASIN 40EJ  
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM**

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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183034-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** JUNE 22, 1971

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** 3.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF C K 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		SWNWNW	9	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** THERMAL PIT

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	SWNWNW	9	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 3.00 ACRE-FEET

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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</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SWN	WNW	9	22N	27E PHILLIPS

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183034-00 30049183

THE PURPOSE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 06/23/2010.

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 30049183 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

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**PRELIMINARY DECREE  
MISSOURI RIVER, BETWEEN BULLWHACKER CREEK & MUSSELSHELL RIVER  
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**Water Right Number:** 40EJ 183035-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)  
DENVER FEDERAL CENTER  
PO BOX 25486, MS #60189  
DENVER, CO 80225 0486

**\*Priority Date:** APRIL 16, 1956

**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:** 9.00 AC-FT

**\*Source Name:** UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF NICHOLS 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		NENENE	18	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

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

**Diversion Means:** DAM/PIT

**\*Reservoir:** ONSTREAM **Reservoir Name:** WELL RESERVOIR

<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
	NENENE	18	22N	27E	PHILLIPS

**Diversion to Reservoir:** DIVERSION # 1

**Capacity:** 9.20 ACRE-FEET

THE DAM EXTENDS INTO THE SESESE SEC 7 TWP 22N RGE 27E PHILLIPS COUNTY.

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Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

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1			SE	SE	7	22N 27E	PHILLIPS
2			NE	NE	18	22N 27E	PHILLIPS

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183035-00 30049185

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