

NOTICE OF RECEIPT WATER RIGHT APPLICATION

(Pursuant to Section § 85-2-307(1), MCA)

Summarized below are the application details as described in an Application to Change of Appropriation Water Right received by the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation on JANUARY 21, 2020. This notice reflects the application details only as originally submitted. The notice does not reflect changes to the application details made during the review process.

Application Number : 41E 30148132

Applicant : USA (DEPT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE)
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WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

Water Right Type	Water Right Number	Priority Date
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41E-54725	APRIL 12, 1906

PAST USE OF WATER

STATEMENT OF CLAIM NO. 41E 54725-00 WAS PRELIMINARILY DECREED BY THE MONTANA WATER COURT WITH AN UNQUANTIFIED VOLUME AND FLOW RATE FOR DIRECT FROM SOURCE STOCK WATERING FROM THE NORTH FORK LITTLE BOULDER RIVER. THE CLAIMED POINTS OF DIVERSION WERE (1) S2S2 SEC 2, T5N, R5W, (2) SESE SEC 3, T5N, R5W AND (3) NESWSE SEC 3, T5N, R5W, AND PLACES OF USE WERE (1) NESWSE SEC 3, T5N R5W, (2) SESE SEC 3, T5N, R5W, AND (3) S2S2 SEC 2, T5N, R5W. THE VOLUME AND FLOW RATE ARE BASED ON DNRC NEW APPROPRIATION STANDARDS OF 15 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT, THE ANNUAL HISTORIC DIVERTED AND CONSUMED VOLUME IS 1.12 AF WITH A MAXIMUM HISTORIC FLOW OF 2.54 GPM.

PROPOSED CHANGE

THIS CHANGE ADDED FOUR NEW PLACES OF USE AND A POINT OF DIVERSION. THE APPLICANTS ARE DIVERTING 2.037 GPM FOR UP TO 45 DAYS TO FOUR 1,100-GALLON STOCK TANKS LOCATED IN THE (1) SESESW AND (2) SESESE SEC 36, T6N, R5W; THE (3) E2E2NESE SEC 1, T5N, R5W; AND THE (4) S2SWSE SEC 31, T6N, R4W; JEFFERSON COUNTY. THE STOCK TANK SYSTEM IS FED BY A NEW PUMP POINT OF DIVERSION LOCATED IN THE NWSESE SEC 2, T5N, R5W, JEFFERSON COUNTY. THE TOTAL VOLUMETRIC USE, BOTH DIVERTED AND CONSUMED, IS 1.12 AF/YEAR. THE MAXIMUM FLOW RATE FOR THE DIRECT FROM SOURCE STOCK WATERING AND TANK SYSTEM COMBINED IS 2.54 GPM.

In general, the department will make a preliminary determination to grant or deny this application within 120 days of the date the application is deemed correct and complete. That date is currently unknown. If the preliminary determination is to grant the application, the application will be published in the local newspaper and a notice will be sent to appropriators who, according to department records may be affected by the proposed appropriation. Individuals will have at least 15 days and no more than 60 days (specific deadline will be identified at time of notice) to submit an objection under § 85-2-308, MCA, after the application has been published in the newspaper.

Direct questions regarding this application to the Water Resources Regional Office, 1424 9TH AVENUE, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601 FAX: 406-444-9317 PHONE: 406-444-6999