

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to Water Users
(Pursuant to Section 85-2-307, MCA)

The following application has been submitted to change a water right in the State of Montana.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION PROPOSES TO GRANT AN APPLICATION TO CHANGE A WATER RIGHT. DESCRIBED BELOW ARE THE PERTINENT FACTS WHICH SUMMARIZE THE APPLICATION. THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION (PD) DOCUMENTING THE FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ANY CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO THE WATER RIGHT ARE AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET AT <http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/wrd/>.

OBJECTION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 22, 2014. THE DEPARTMENT CAN ONLY ACCEPT OBJECTIONS FILED ON AN OBJECTION TO APPLICATION, FORM 611. MAIL THE COMPLETED FORM AND THE \$25.00 FILING FEE TO THE DNRC, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601 BY THE DEADLINE SPECIFIED. THE FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION, TO OBTAIN THE PD OR OBJECTION FORM TO THE WATER RESOURCES OFFICE AT 613 NE MAIN, SUITE E, LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2020 FAX: 406-538-7089 PHONE: 406-538-7459.

Application Number : 41S 30069189

Applicant : MIDDLE FORK CATTLE CO INC
686 AMAZING VIEW DR
HOBSON, MT 59452 8672

WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

Water Right Type	Water Right Number	Priority Date
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41S 30069173	
	Historical Consumptive Volume:	6.50 AC-FT
	Historical Diverted Volume:	6.50 AC-FT

PAST USE OF WATER

APPLICANT CLAIMS THAT STOCK HAVE HISTORICALLY USED THE MIDDLE FORK JUDITH RIVER ON THIS PROPERTY SINCE JULY 1, 1890. APPLICANT STATES THAT ACCORDING TO THE CORPORATE RECORD BOOK FOR THE MIDDLE FORK CATTLE COMPANY, 191 CATTLE AND 2 HORSES HAVE WATERED FROM THE SOURCE DAILY.

PROPOSED CHANGE

APPLICANT IS PROPOSING TO CHANGE A RECENTLY FILED EXEMPT STOCK CLAIM NO. 41S 30069173, FILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SB 355. APPLICANT PROPOSES TO ADD TWO POINTS OF DIVERSION, A SEASONAL PUMPSITE ON AN IRRIGATION DITCH AND A PUMPSITE DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE OF WATER, MIDDLE FORK JUDITH RIVER. ONE PORTABLE PUMP WILL BE UTILIZED AT BOTH POINTS OF DIVERSION TO SUPPLY 12 GALLONS PER MINUTE. THE POINT OF DIVERSION IN THE DITCH WILL BE LOCATED IN THE NE SE SW SECTION 25 T13N R11E AND WILL BE UTILIZED BETWEEN APRIL 15 AND SEPTEMBER 30, THE SAME PERIOD OF DIVERSION FOR IRRIGATION RIGHT 41S 22191 00. THE POINT OF DIVERSION FOR THE DITCH IS IN THE NW SW NW SECTION 36 T13N R11E. THE PUMPSITE DIRECTLY IN THE MIDDLE FORK JUDITH RIVER WILL BE LOCATED IN THE SE NE NW SECTION 36 T13N R11E AND WILL BE USED TO HAUL WATER TO A STOCK TANK YEAR ROUND. THE STOCK TANK UTILIZED FOR BOTH POINTS OF DIVERSION IS LOCATED IN THE SE NW SW SECTION 25 T13N R11E, ALL IN JUDITH BASIN COUNTY.

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