

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: AUGUST 17, 2015. 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 2705 SPURGIN RD, BLDG C, PO BOX 5004, MISSOULA, MT 59804-5004 FAX: 406-542-5899 PHONE: 406-721-4284.

Application Number : 76H 30068632

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WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

Water Right Type	Water Right Number	Priority Date
STATEMENT OF CLAIM Historical Flow Rate: 1.8 CFS	76H 19742-00 Historical Consumptive Volume: 42.70 AC-FT Historical Diverted Volume: 66.60 AC-FT	JUNE 1, 1871
STATEMENT OF CLAIM Historical Flow Rate: 5.88 CFS	76H 19745-00 Historical Consumptive Volume: 188.10 AC-FT Historical Diverted Volume: 293.40 AC-FT	APRIL 1, 1864
STATEMENT OF CLAIM Historical Flow Rate: 5. CFS	76H 215672-00 Historical Consumptive Volume: 48.00 AC-FT Historical Diverted Volume: 68.70 AC-FT	DECEMBER 31, 1863

PAST USE OF WATER

HISTORICALLY, 76H-19742-00 AND 76H-196745-00 WERE USED TO DIVERT 7.68 CFS UP TO 360 AF OF WATER FROM BURNT FORK CREEK TO PROVIDE SPRINKLER AND FLOOD IRRIGATION ON 196 ACRES; 76H-215672-00 WAS USED TO DIVERT 5 CFS UP TO 68.7 AF OF WATER FROM CLAREMONT CREEK TO PROVIDE SPRINKLER AND FLOOD IRRIGATION ON 141 ACRES, OVERLAPPING THE 196 ACRES. POINTS OF DIVERSION ON BURNT FORK CREEK ARE LOCATED IN SECTIONS 11, 13, AND 14 AND THE POINT OF DIVERSION ON CLAREMONT CREEK IS IN SECTION 11, ALL IN T8N, R19W, RAVALLI COUNTY. THE PLACE OF USE FOR BURNT FORK CREEK IS IN SECTIONS 10, 11, 13, AND 14, T8N, R19W. THE PLACE OF USE FOR CLAREMONT CREEK IS IN SECTIONS 3, 10, AND 11, T8N, R19W. THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION FOR 76H-19742-00 AND 76H-196745-00 IS MARCH 15 THROUGH OCTOBER 15, ANNUALLY, AND FOR 76H-215672-00 IS APRIL 15 THROUGH OCTOBER 15, ANNUALLY.

PROPOSED CHANGE

FLOW RATE: 224.40 GPM **VOLUME:** 16.20 AC-FT **ACRES:** 15.00
APPLICANT PROPOSES TO ADD A NEW POINT OF DIVERSION AND MOVE 15 ACRES OF IRRIGATION FROM SECTION 11 TO SECTION 13, BOTH IN T8N, R19W, RAVALLI COUNTY, FOR STATEMENT OF CLAIM NOS. 76H-19742-00, 76H-19745-00, AND 76H-215672-00. THE METHOD OF IRRIGATION WILL CHANGE FROM FLOOD TO SPRINKLER AND THE PERIOD OF USE AT THE NEW 15-ACRE PLACE OF USE WILL BE LIMITED TO JULY 15 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15. THE FLOW RATE AT THE NEW POINT OF DIVERSION IN THE SENESE OF SECTION 13, T8N, R19W WILL BE LIMITED TO 224.4 GPM UP TO 16.2 ACRE-FEET. THE PURPOSE WILL REMAIN IRRIGATION.

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