

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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 DRAFT 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 <https://dnrc.mt.gov/Water-Resources/Water-Rights/application-status-environmental-assessments/>.

PUBLIC COMMENT DEADLINE: JULY 25, 2026. PUBLIC COMMENTS MUST BE FILED ON A PUBLIC COMMENT FORM, FORM 654, AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE STATED DEADLINE. THE FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE OR CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ANY WATER RESOURCES REGIONAL OFFICE. MAIL PAPER COPIES OF THE COMPLETED FORM TO: DNRC WATER RIGHTS BUREAU, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601. SUBMIT ELECTRONIC COPIES OF THE COMPLETED FORM TO: DNRCWATERRIGHTSCOMMENTOBJECTION@MT.GOV. PER 85-2-307(5)(C), MCA, IF NO PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE RECEIVED, THE DRAFT PD WILL BE ADOPTED AS FINAL AND THERE WILL BE NO OPPORTUNITY TO OBJECT TO THIS APPLICATION.

DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION, OR REQUESTS TO OBTAIN THE DRAFT PD OR PUBLIC COMMENT FORM TO THE WATER RESOURCES OFFICE AT 222 SIXTH STREET SOUTH, PO BOX 1269, GLASGOW, MT 59230-1269 PHONE: 406-228-2561.

Application Number: 40S 30171258

Applicant: MCCONE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
PO BOX 276
CIRCLE, MT 59215 0276
PRAIRIE ELK HUTTERIAN BRETHERN INC
1436 MT HWY 528
WOLF POINT, MT 59201 7109

WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

<u>Water Right Type</u>	<u>Water Right Number</u>	<u>Priority Date</u>
CONSERVATION DISTRICT RECORD	40S 30171248	JULY 1, 1985

PAST USE OF WATER

THIS APPLICATION IS TO CHANGE A PORTION OF THE MCCONE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT WATER RESERVATION FROM THE MISSOURI RIVER THAT HAS NOT YET BEEN PUT TO USE AND THEREFORE NO HISTORICAL USE FOR THE AMOUNT OF WATER BEING CHANGED EXISTS.

PROPOSED CHANGE

THE PROPOSED CHANGE IS TO ADD ADDITIONAL POINT OF DIVERSION AND PLACE OF USE TO THE MCCONE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT WATER RESERVATION (8449900) FOR THE PURPOSE OF IRRIGATION.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

THIS RIGHT IS SUBJECT TO THE TYPE OF WATER USE MEASURING DEVICE OR WATER USE ESTIMATION TECHNIQUE REQUIRED BY THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT. THE APPROPRIATOR SHALL KEEP WRITTEN RECORDS OF THE FLOW RATE AND VOLUME OF WATER USED. RECORDS SHALL BE SUBMITTED BY NOVEMBER 15 OF EACH YEAR AND UPON REQUEST AT OTHER TIMES DURING THE YEAR. FAILURE TO SUBMIT REPORTS MAY BE CAUSE FOR REVOCATION OF THE CHANGE. THE RECORDS MUST BE SENT TO THE WATER RESOURCES REGIONAL OFFICE. THE WATER USER SHALL MAINTAIN THE MEASURING DEVICE SO IT ALWAYS OPERATES PROPERLY AND MEASURES FLOW RATE AND VOLUME ACCURATELY.

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