

# **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.

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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: MAY 16, 2025.** THE DEPARTMENT CAN ONLY ACCEPT PUBLIC COMMENTS FILED ON A PUBLIC COMMENT FORM, FORM 654. MAIL THE COMPLETED FORM TO THE DNRC, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601 BY THE DEADLINE SPECIFIED. THE FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE. 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 613 NE MAIN, SUITE E, LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2020 PHONE: 406-538-7459.

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**Application Number:** 41K 30165051

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### **WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED**

<b><u>Water Right Type</u></b>	<b><u>Water Right Number</u></b>	<b><u>Priority Date</u></b>
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41K 210274-00	OCTOBER 7, 1892

### **PAST USE OF WATER**

WATER FOR STATEMENT OF CLAIM 41K 210274-00 HAS HISTORICALLY BEEN USED FOR IRRIGATION. WATER HAS BEEN DIVERTED FROM THE SUN RIVER FROM THE NENESE OF SECTION 31 TWP 21N RGE 2E. THE VOLUME WAS UNDEFINED HISTORICALLY WITH A MAXIMUM APPROVED ACERAGE OF 2.00 ACRES. THE HISTORICAL USE OF THIS WATER RIGHT INCLUDES A MAXIMUM DIVERTED FLOW RATE OF 12.40 GPM, A DIVERTED VOLUME OF 2.02 AF AND A CONSUMED VOLUME OF 1.61 AF.

THE PLACE OF USE OCCURED ON 2.00 ACRES IN SECTION 32 TWP 21N RGE 2E WITH A PERIOD OF USE AND PERIOD OF DIVERSION FROM MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

### **PROPOSED CHANGE**

**FLOW RATE:** 12.40 GPM                      **VOLUME:** 2.02 AC-FT                      **ACRES:** 1.52

THE APPLICANT IS PROPOSING TO CHANGE THE POINT OF DIVERSION FROM NENESE SECTION 31 TWP 21N RGE 2E TO NWNWSW SECTION 32 TWP 21N RGE 2E. NO CHANGE IS PROPOSED TO THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION OR PLACE OF USE.

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