

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: NOVEMBER 29, 2025. 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 : 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 1371 RIMTOP DRIVE, BILLINGS, MT 59105-1978 FAX: 406-247-4416 PHONE: 406-247-4415.

Application Number: 43B 30164777

Applicant: 44 BIG SKY FARMS LLC
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SWEET GRASS COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
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WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

<u>Water Right Type</u>	<u>Water Right Number</u>	<u>Priority Date</u>
CONSERVATION DISTRICT RECORD	43B 30164764	DECEMBER 15, 1978

PAST USE OF WATER

THE WATER RIGHT PROPOSED FOR CHANGE IS A CONSERVATION DISTRICT WATER RESERVATION. THERE IS NO HISTORICAL USE.

PROPOSED CHANGE

FLOW RATE: 5.26 CFS **VOLUME:** 139.00 AC-FT **ACRES:** 51.60

THE APPLICANT PROPOSES TO ADD A POINT OF DIVERSION AND PLACE OF USE TO CD RECORD 43B 30164764. THE PROPOSED POINT OF DIVERSION, ON THE YELLOWSTONE RIVER, IS IN THE SESWSW SEC. 11, T1N, R14E, SWEET GRASS COUNTY. THE PROPOSED PLACE OF USE FOR IRRIGATION IS 51.6 ACRES GENERALLY LOCATED IN THE N2SE AND S2NE SEC. 10, AND S2NW SEC. 11, T1N, R14E, SWEET GRASS COUNTY.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

THE WATER PROPOSED FOR USE UNDER THIS APPLICATION WOULD BE SUPPLEMENTAL TO WATER RIGHT STATEMENT OF CLAIM NOS. 43B 17157-00 AND 43B 17158-00.

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