PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Notice to Water Users
(Pursuant to Section 85-2-307, MCA)
The following application has been submitted to appropriate water in the State of Montana.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION PROPOSES TO GRANT AN APPLICATION FOR BENEFICIAL WATER USE PERMIT. 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: SEPTEMBER 19, 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 655 TIMBERWOLF PARKWAY, SUITE 4, KALISPELL, MT 59901-2387, PHONE: 406-752-2288, FAX: 406-752-2843.

IF ISSUED, THE RIGHT WILL BE SUBJECT TO PRIOR EXISTING WATER RIGHTS.

Application Number: 76LJ 30164348

Owners: BIG MOUNTAIN WATER CO
PO BOX 1400
WHITEFISH, MT 59937-1400

Priority Date: APRIL 9, 2025 at 12:57 P.M.

Purpose (Use): LAWN AND GARDEN
MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

Maximum Flow Rate: 100.00 GPM

Maximum Volume: 0.00 AC-FT

Maximum Acres: 16.03

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

ID	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	Sec	Twp	Rge	County
1		NWSENW	2	31N	22W	FLATHEAD

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31 **Flow Rate:** 100.00 GPM

Diversion Means: WELL

Purpose (Use): LAWN AND GARDEN

Period of Use: APRIL 15 to OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

ID	Acres	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	Sec	Twp	Rge	County
1	10.71		W2	2	31N	22W	FLATHEAD
2	3.40		W2SE	2	31N	22W	FLATHEAD
3	0.42		NWSWNE	2	31N	22W	FLATHEAD
4	1.50		E2NE	3	31N	22W	FLATHEAD
Total:	16.03						

Purpose (Use): MULTIPLE DOMESTIC

Household: 150

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

ID	Acres	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	Sec	Twp	Rge	County
1	10.71		W2	2	31N	22W	FLATHEAD
2	3.40		W2	2	31N	22W	FLATHEAD
3	0.42		NWSWNE	2	31N	22W	FLATHEAD
4	1.50		E2NE	3	31N	22W	FLATHEAD
Total:	16.03						

Remarks:

ASSOCIATED RIGHT

WATER RIGHTS 76LJ 30164348, 76LJ 104047-00, AND 76LJ 30063777 ARE ASSOCIATED BECAUSE THEY SHARE THE SAME PLACE OF USE IN THE SUNRISE RIDGE SUBDIVISION. 76LJ 104047-00 IS THE ORIGINAL WATER RIGHT PURPOSED FOR 100 GPM AND 105 AF. WATER RIGHTS 76LJ 30063777 AND 76LJ 30164348 DO NOT CONTRIBUTE ANY VOLUME. RATHER, THEY ADD 80 GPM AND 100 GPM OF FLOW RESPECTIVELY TO ADD REDUDANCY TO THE BIG MOUNTAIN WATER COMPANY SYSTEM.

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