NOTICE OF RECEIPT WATER RIGHT APPLICATION

(Pursuant to Section § 85-2-307(1), MCA)

Summarized below are the application details as described in an Application for a Provisional Permit received by the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation on OCTOBER 17, 2025. This notice reflects the application details only as originally submitted. The notice does not reflect changes to the application details made during the review process.

Application Number: 76LJ 30164488

Owners: JAMES R DEATS

PO BOX 4744

WHITEFISH, MT 59937-4744

BEAR DEN RANCH LLC

PO BOX 4444

WHITEFISH, MT 59937-4444

Priority Date: OCTOBER 17, 2025 at 12:00 A.M.

Purpose (Use): FISHERY

IRRIGATION

RECREATION

Maximum Flow Rate: 200.00 GPM

Maximum Volume: 44.57 AC-FT

Maximum Acres: 21.32

Source Name: SKYLES LAKE

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

IDGovt LotQtrSecSecTwpRgeCounty1SWSENE3331N22WFLATHEAD

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: PUMP

Purpose (Use): FISHERY

Volume: 3.37 AC-FT

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

ID Acres Govt Lot QtrSec Sec Twp Rge County

1 SWSENE 33 31N 22W FLATHEAD

Purpose (Use): IRRIGATION
Irrigation Type: SPRINKLER

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE
Volume: 32.36 AC-FT

Period of Use: APRIL 20 to OCTOBER 10

Place of Use:

ID Acres Govt Lot QtrSec Sec Twp Rge County

1 18.60 SENE 33 31N 22W FLATHEAD

Total: 18.60

Purpose (Use): RECREATION

Volume: 8.84 AC-FT

Period of Use: OCTOBER 15 to MARCH 15

Place of Use:

ID Acres Govt Lot QtrSec Sec Twp Rge County

1 SWSENE 33 31N 22W FLATHEAD

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

In general, the Department will make a draft preliminary determination to grant or deny this application within 60 or 120 days of the date the application is deemed and correct and complete (60 days if a preapplication meeting was held, 120 days if a preapplication meeting was not held). That date is currently unknown as the application has not yet been determined to be correct and complete. If the draft preliminary determination is to grant the application, the application will be published in the local newspaper and a notice will be sent to appropriators who, according to the department records, may be affected by the proposed appropriation. Individuals will have 30 days to submit a public comment about this application under §85-2-307, MCA, after the application has been published in the newspaper. If public comments are received, the Department will consider the public comments and update the preliminary determination. If the preliminary determination is to grant the application, the application will again be published in a local newspaper and a notice will be sent to anyone who submitted a public comment, along with appropriators who, according to the department records may be affected by the proposed appropriation. Individuals will have 30 days to submit an objection under §85-2-308, MCA, after the application has been published in the newspaper.

Direct questions regarding this application to the Water Resources Regional Office, 655 TIMBERWOLF PARKWAY, SUITE 4, KALISPELL, MT 59901-2387 PHONE: 406-752-2288 FAX: 406-752-2843.