

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to Water Users

(Pursuant to Section 85-2-407, MCA)

The following application has been submitted to renew a temporary authorization for change.

NEW EVIDENCE OF ADVERSE EFFECT TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING BY **APRIL 25, 2023**. MAIL THE EVIDENCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601.

ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE WATER RESOURCES REGIONAL OFFICE, 2273 BOOT HILL COURT, SUITE 110, BOZEMAN, MT 59715-7249 PHONE: 406-586-3136 FAX: 406-587-9726

Application Number: 41H 30104096

Applicant: BIG SKY COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DIST #363
%RON EDWARDS
PO BOX 160670
BIG SKY, MT 59716 0670

WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

<u>Water Right Type</u>	<u>Water Right Number</u>	<u>Priority Date</u>
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41H-148445-00	JUNE 23, 1902

PAST USE OF WATER

HISTORICALLY, THE APPLICANT DIVERTED UP TO 18.2 CFS OF WATER FROM THE WEST FORK OF THE WEST GALLATIN RIVER FOR IRRIGATION OF 240 ACRES IN THE BIG SKY MEADOW AREA, LOCATED WITHIN SECTION 36, T06 S, R03 E, GALLATIN COUNTY. LITTLE COYOTE POND IS AN ON-STREAM RESERVOIR THAT HISTORICALLY IMPOUNDED THE WEST FORK OF THE WEST GALLATIN RIVER. THE APPLICANT THEN DIVERTED WATER FROM THE RESERVOIR FOR IRRIGATION.

PROPOSED CHANGE

FLOW RATE: 18.20 CFS

VOLUME: 52.97 AC-FT

THIS APPLICATION IS TO RENEW A TEMPORARY CHANGE. A CHANGE IN THE PURPOSE OF A PORTION OF THE VOLUME TO INSTREAM FLOW IN THE WEST FORK OF THE WEST GALLATIN RIVER WAS AUTHORIZED FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS. THE RENEWAL PERIOD REQUESTED IS AN ADDITIONAL 10 YEARS. THE PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED CHANGE INCLUDES UP TO 52.97 AF OF HISTORICALLY DIVERTED VOLUME, PROTECTABLE TO THE LOCATION OF THE HEADGATE IN THE SESENE OF SECTION 36, T06, R03 E, GALLATIN COUNTY. THE PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED CHANGE INCLUDES 42.38 AF OF HISTORICALLY CONSUMED VOLUME, PROTECTABLE ALONG A DOWNSTREAM REACH FROM LITTLE COYOTE POND TO THE CONFLUENCE OF THE WEST FORK WITH THE WEST GALLATIN RIVER AT A POINT IN THE SENESE OF SECTION 33, T06 S, R04. AS PER THE PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED CHANGE, THE APPLICANT TAKES STREAMFLOW MEASUREMENTS AT A SUITABLE CROSS-SECTION LOCATED NEAR THE NENESE OF SECTION 31, T06 S, R04 E, GALLATIN COUNTY.

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