PUBLIC NOTICE

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 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 http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/wrd/.

OBJECTION DEADLINE: MARCH 13, 2017. THE DEPARTMENT CAN ONLY ACCEPT OBJECTIONS FILED ON AN OBJECTION TO APPLICATION, FORM 611. MAIL THE COMPLETED FORM AND THE $25.00 FILING FEE TO THE DNRC, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601 BY THE DEADLINE SPECIFIED. THE FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION, TO OBTAIN THE PD OR OBJECTION FORM TO THE WATER RESOURCES OFFICE AT 2705 SPURGIN RD, BLDG C, PO BOX 5004, MISSOULA, MT 59804-5004 FAX: 406-542-5899 PHONE: 406-721-4284.

Application Number : 76H 30103343

Applicant : WATSON CONSTRUCTION CO INC
4458 RATHBUN LN
STEVENSVILLE, MT 59870

WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

Water Right Type	Water Right Number	Priority Date
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	76H 5200-00	JULY 2, 1971

Historical Flow Rate: 1.52 CFS
Historical Consumptive Volume: 33.40 AC-FT
Historical Diverted Volume: 51.50 AC-FT

PAST USE OF WATER

THE SOURCE OF WATER IS WASTE AND SEEPAGE WATER COLLECTED IN THREE DRAIN DITCHES THAT EMPTY INTO A LATERAL DITCH USED TO CONVEY SUPPLY DITCH ASSOCIATION WATER AND WASTE AND SEEPAGE WATER TO THE 39.3 HISTORICALLY IRRIGATED ACRE PLACE OF USE.

PROPOSED CHANGE

VOLUME: 14.28 AC-FT ACRES: 10.40

THE APPLICANT OWNS 19.3 OF THE 39.3 HISTORICALLY IRRIGATED ACRES IN THE SWSW OF SECTION 1, T9N, R20W RAVALLI COUNTY AND PROPOSES TO ADD THREE STORAGE RESERVOIRS WITH A COMBINED SURFACE AREA OF 2.6 ACRES FOR THE PURPOSES OF STOCK AND RECREATION. THE COMBINED CAPACITY OF THE STORAGE RESERVOIRS IS 7.69 AF, WITH INDIVIDUAL CAPACITIES BEING 6.40 AF, 1.05 AF AND 0.24 AF. THE APPLICANT WILL RETIRE 10.4 HISTORICALLY IRRIGATED ACRES AND USE THE WATER PREVIOUSLY DIVERTED AND CONSUMED ON THOSE ACRES TO SUPPLY WATER TO THE RESERVOIRS. THE CURRENT IRRIGATION PRACTICES WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED ON THE REMAINING 8.9 ACRES OWNED BY THE APPLICANT.

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