

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice to Water Users  
(Pursuant to Section 85-2-307, MCA)

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

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NEW EVIDENCE OF ADVERSE EFFECT TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING BY NOVEMBER 5, 2024. 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.

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**Application Number:** 41H 30063829

**Applicant:** LAZY J RANCHES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP  
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## **WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED**

| <b>Water Right Type</b>                              | <b>Water Right Number</b>  | <b>Priority Date</b> |
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| STATEMENT OF CLAIM<br>Historical Flow Rate: 12.5 CFS | 41H 136662-00<br>Historical Consumptive Volume: 111.69 AC-FT<br>Historical Diverted Volume: 2,683.99 AC-FT | AUGUST 1, 1882       |

## **PAST USE OF WATER**

PAST USE OF WATER INCLUDED IRRIGATION ON 99 ACRES GENERALLY LOCATED WITHIN SECTIONS 8 AND 9 OF T1S, R7E, GALLATIN COUNTY. DIVERSION OF WATER OCCURRED AS EARLY AS APRIL 1 AND CONTINUED AS LATE AS OCTOBER 31. WATER WAS DIVERTED FROM STONE CREEK INTO THE CARTER DITCH FROM TWO POINTS OF DIVERSION IN THE SE AND SW OF SECTION 9, T1S, R7E, AT A FLOW RATE UP TO 12.50 CFS. THE HISTORIC VOLUME CONSUMED BY PASTURE GRASS WAS 111.69 ACRE-FEET, AND A DIVERTED VOLUME OF 2693.99 ACRE-FEET WAS NECESSARY DUE TO DITCH LEAKAGE.

## **PROPOSED CHANGE**

THIS APPLICATION IS TO RENEW A TEMPORARY CHANGE. THE TEMPORARY CHANGE WAS ORIGINALLY ISSUED ON 08/01/2013 FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS AND AUTHORIZED THE CHANGE OF WATER RIGHTS 41H 13662-00. A CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE AND PURPOSE OF USE OF A PORTION OF THE ABOVE RIGHTS WAS AUTHORIZED FOR MAINTAINING AND ENHANCING STREAMFLOWS FOR FISHERIES FROM APRIL 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 31. THE CHANGED PLACE OF USE INCLUDES THE LOWER 1.0 MILE OF STONE CREEK FROM THE POD IN THE SESESW OF SECTION 9, T1S, R7E, GALLATIN COUNTY, TO THE CONFLUENCE WITH BRIDGER CREEK NEAR THE OWNER'S DOWNSTREAM PROPERTY BOUNDARY IN THE NWNENE OF SECTION 17, T1S, R7E, GALLATIN COUNTY. THE RENEWAL PERIOD REQUESTED IS AN ADDITIONAL 10 YEARS.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

THIS APPLICATION WAS FILED SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH FOUR OTHER INSTREAM CHANGE APPLICATIONS FOR OLSON, WHITE, PINE, AND BRIDGER CREEKS AS PART OF THE SAME TROUT UNLIMITED PROJECT.

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