

# 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 to Change of Appropriation Water Right received by the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation on JUNE 13, 2014. 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.

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**Application Number :** 41M 30069921

**Applicant :** PONDERA COUNTY CANAL & RESERVOIR CO  
PO BOX 245  
VALIER, MT 59486

**WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED**

| <b>Water Right Type</b> | <b>Water Right Number</b> | <b>Priority Date</b> |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| STATEMENT OF CLAIM      | 41M-162123                | JANUARY 14, 1913     |

**PAST USE OF WATER**

WATER FROM BIRCH CREEK WAS HISTORICALLY STORED YEAR ROUND IN SWIFT RESERVOIR AND LAKE FRANCES WHICH IS OWNED AND OPERATED BY PONDERA COUNTY CANAL AND RESERVOIR COMPANY (PCCRC). THE CITY OF CONRAD HOLDS SHARES IN PCCRC FOR MUNICIPAL USE WHICH INCLUDES MULTIPLE PURPOSES, SUCH AS DOMESTIC, IRRIGATION, COMMERCIAL, AND INDUSTRIAL. PONDERA COUNTY.

**PROPOSED CHANGE**

THIS APPLICATION IS TO TEMPORARILY CHANGE THE PLACE OF USE WHERE WATER IS USED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES BY ADDING AN ADDITIONAL PLACE OF USE.

In general, the department will make a preliminary determination to grant or deny this application within 120 days of the date the application is deemed correct and complete. That date is currently unknown. If the 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 45 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, 210 SIXTH AVE, PO BOX 1828, HAVRE, MT 59501-1828 FAX: 406-265-2225 PHONE: 406-265-5516