

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 5, 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:43B 30164777

Applicant:44 BIG SKY FARMS LLC
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SWEET GRASS COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
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WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

Water Right Type	Water Right Number	Priority Date
CONSERVATION DISTRICT RECORD	43B-30164764	DECEMBER 15, 1978

PAST USE OF WATER

THE WATER RIGHT PROPOSED FOR CHANGE IS A CONSERVATION DISTRICT WATER RESERVATION. THERE IS NO HISTORICAL USE.

PROPOSED CHANGE

FLOW RATE: 5.26 CFS

VOLUME: 139.00 AC-FT

ACRES: 51.60

THE APPLICANT PROPOSES TO ADD A POINT OF DIVERSION AND PLACE OF USE TO CD RECORD 43B 30164764. THE PROPOSED POINT OF DIVERSION, ON THE YELLOWSTONE RIVER, IS IN THE SESWSW SEC. 11, T1N, R14E, SWEET GRASS COUNTY. THE PROPOSED PLACE OF USE FOR IRRIGATION IS 51.6 ACRES GENERALLY LOCATED IN THE N2SE AND S2NE SEC. 10, AND S2NW SEC. 11, T1N, R14E, SWEET GRASS COUNTY.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

THE WATER PROPOSED FOR USE UNDER THIS APPLICATION WOULD BE SUPPLEMENTAL TO WATER RIGHT STATEMENT OF CLAIM NOS. 43B 17157-00 AND 43B 17158-00.

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, 1371 RIMTOP DRIVE, BILLINGS, MT 59105-1978 FAX: 406-247-4416 PHONE: 406-247-4419