

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 <https://dnrc.mt.gov/Water-Resources/Water-Rights/application-status-environmental-assessments/>.

OBJECTION DEADLINE: MARCH 7, 2025. THE DEPARTMENT CAN ONLY ACCEPT OBJECTIONS FILED ON AN OBJECTION TO APPLICATION, FORM 611. MAIL THE COMPLETED FORM AND THE \$50.00 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 1371 RIMTOP DRIVE, BILLINGS, MT 59105-1978 FAX: 406-247-4416 PHONE: 406-247-4415.

Application Number: 43O 30161500

Applicant: SUNLIGHT RANCH CO
431 PASS CREEK RD
PARKMAN, WY 82838

WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

<u>Water Right Type</u>	<u>Water Right Number</u>	<u>Priority Date</u>
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	43O 208965-00	JUNE 11, 1914
Historical Flow Rate: 50.79 CFS	Historical Consumptive Volume: 1,963.50 AC-FT	
	Historical Diverted Volume: 5,025.70 AC-FT	

PAST USE OF WATER

STATEMENT OF CLAIM 208965-00 DIVERTED WATER FROM THE LITTLE BIGHORN RIVER VIA THE ANTLER LAND COMPANY DITCH HEADGATE IN THE SWSWSW SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, BIG HORN COUNTY TO IRRIGATE 2,031.6 ACRES GENERALLY LOCATED IN SECTIONS 25, 35, AND 36 T8S, R34E, AND SECTIONS 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16 AND 17 T9S, R34E, BIG HORN COUNTY, USING 50.79 CFS FROM APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

PROPOSED CHANGE

FLOW RATE: 50.79 CFS **VOLUME:** 4,911.10 AC-FT **ACRES:** 1,941.50

APPLICANT PROPOSES TO ADD A POD IN THE NWSNW SEC. 16, T9S, R34E. THE HISTORICAL POD FROM THE ANTLER DITCH HEADGATE IN THE SWSWSW SEC. 17, T9S, R34E WILL CONTINUE TO BE USED. THE APPLICANT PROPOSES TO REMOVE 195.6 AC OF IRRIGATION WITHIN THE HISTORICAL POU. UNDER THE PROPOSED CHANGE, 1,836.0 AC WITHIN THE HISTORICAL POU FOOTPRINT WILL REMAIN. APPLICANT PROPOSES TO ADD 105.5 AC OF IRRIGATION OUTSIDE OF THE HISTORICAL POU. THE TOTAL ACRES IRRIGATED HISTORICALLY UNDER THIS WATER RIGHT PRIOR TO THIS CHANGE ARE 2,031.6 AC. THE TOTAL ACRES PROPOSED FOR IRRIGATION ARE 1,941.5 AC.

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