PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to Water Users

(Pursuant to Section 85-2-407(3), MCA)

The following application has been submitted to change a water right in the State of Montana.

NEW EVIDENCE OF ADVERSE EFFECT TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING BY **APRIL 30, 2025**. 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 AT 2705 SPURGIN RD, BLDG C, PO BOX 5004, MISSOULA, MT 59804-5004 FAX: 406-542-5899 PHONE: 406-721-4284.

Application Number: 76F 30070325

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WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

Water Right Type	Water Right Number	Priority Date
PROVISIONAL PERMIT	76F 5851-00	JUNE 27, 1975

Historical Flow Rate: 1.78 CFS

Historical Consumptive Volume: 147.20 AC-FT

Historical Diverted Volume: 333.60 AC-FT

PAST USE OF WATER

HISTORICALLY 1.78 CFS WAS DIVERTED FROM THE CLEARWATER RIVER BY MEANS OF A PUMP LOCATED IN THE SWSENE OF SECTION 4, T14N, R14W, MISSOULA COUNTY. UP TO 333.6 ACRE-FEET OF WATER WAS DIVERTED FOR SPRINKLER IRRIGATION OF 144 ACRES IN SECTION 4, T14N, R14W, FROM MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 15 ANNUALLY.

PROPOSED CHANGE

FLOW RATE: 0.79 CFS **VOLUME:** 147.20 AC-FT **ACRES:** 64.00

THIS APPLICATION IS TO RENEW A TEMPORARY CHANGE. THE TEMPORARY CHANGE WAS ORIGINALLY ISSUED ON 09/13/2016 FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS AND AUTHORIZED THE APPLICANT TO TEMPORARILY CHANGE A PORTION OF THE PURPOSE TO INSTREAM FLOW FOR FISHERIES FOR A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS AND TO TEMPORARILY CHANGE THE PLACE OF USE FOR IRRIGATION TO INCLUDE 7.5 ACRES IN THE NWNWSE OF SECTION 4, T14N, R14W. THE PLACE OF USE AUTHORIZED FOR IRRIGATION BY THE TEMPORARY CHANGE CONSISTS OF 68 ACRES. THE APPLICANT WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP 64 ACRES OF THE 144 ACRE PERMITTED PLACE OF USE RETIRED. THIS CHANGE AUTHORIZES THE APPLICANT TO CONTINUE TO PROTECT A FLOW RATE OF 0.79 CFS UP TO 147.2 AF IN VOLUME AT THE HISTORIC POINT OF DIVERSION, AND 0.79 CFS UP TO 64.3 AF IN THE PROTECTED REACH LOCATED BETWEEN THE LOCATION OF THE HISTORIC PUMP SITE IN THE SWSENW OF SECTION 4, T14N R14W, DOWNSTREAM 3.2 MILES TO THE CONFLUENCE OF THE CLEARWATER RIVER AND THE BLACKFOOT RIVER. THE APPROPRIATOR MAY PROTECT WATER FOR INSTREAM FLOW DURING THE PERIOD OF MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 15. THE RENEWAL PERIOD REQUESTED IS AN ADDITIONAL 10 YEARS.

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