

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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

The following application has been submitted to appropriate water in the State of Montana.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION PROPOSES TO GRANT AN APPLICATION FOR BENEFICIAL WATER USE PERMIT. DESCRIBED BELOW ARE THE PERTINENT FACTS WHICH SUMMARIZE THE APPLICATION. THE DRAFT 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/>.

PUBLIC COMMENT DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 20, 2026. PUBLIC COMMENTS MUST BE FILED ON A PUBLIC COMMENT FORM, FORM 654, AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE STATED DEADLINE. THE FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT’S WEBSITE OR CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ANY WATER RESOURCES REGIONAL OFFICE. MAIL PAPER COPIES OF THE COMPLETED FORM TO: DNRC WATER RIGHTS BUREAU, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601. SUBMIT ELECTRONIC COPIES OF THE COMPLETED FORM TO: DNRCWATERRIGHTSCOMMENTOBJECTION@MT.GOV. PER 85-2-307(5)(C), MCA, IF NO PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE RECEIVED, THE DRAFT PD WILL BE ADOPTED AS FINAL AND THERE WILL BE NO OPPORTUNITY TO OBJECT TO THIS APPLICATION.

DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION, OR REQUESTS TO OBTAIN THE DRAFT PD OR PUBLIC COMMENT FORM TO THE WATER RESOURCES OFFICE AT 655 TIMBERWOLF PARKWAY, SUITE 4, KALISPELL, MT 59901-2387, PHONE: 406-752-2288, FAX: 406-752-2843.

IF ISSUED, THE RIGHT WILL BE SUBJECT TO PRIOR EXISTING WATER RIGHTS.

Application Number:	76LJ 30165286							
Owners:	LESLIE A SVETICH PO BOX 3315 MONTEREY, CA 93942-3315 DEAN A WHITEHEAD PO BOX 3315 MONTEREY, CA 93942-3315							
Priority Date:	SEPTEMBER 26, 2025 at 04:19 P.M.							
Purpose (Use):	DOMESTIC IRRIGATION LAWN AND GARDEN STOCK							
Maximum Flow Rate:	99.80 GPM							
Maximum Volume:	41.86 AC-FT							
Maximum Acres:	17.00							
Source Name:	GROUNDWATER							
Source Type:	GROUNDWATER							
Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:								
ID	Govt Lot	Qtr	Sec	Sec	Twp	Rge	County	
1	6	SE	NW	33	28N	20W	FLATHEAD	
Period of Diversion:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31							
Diversion Means:	WELL							
Well Depth:	480.00 FEET							
Static Water Level:	12.00 FEET							
Casing Diameter:	6.00 INCHES							
Purpose (Use):	DOMESTIC							
Household:	1							
Volume:	0.28 AC-FT							
Period of Use:	JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31							
Place of Use:								
ID	Acres	Govt Lot	Qtr	Sec	Twp	Rge	County	
1			SW	NE	33	28N	20W	FLATHEAD
Purpose (Use):	IRRIGATION							
Irrigation Type:	SPRINKLER							

Volume: 34.28 AC-FT

Period of Use: APRIL 15 to OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	14.22		S2N2SE	33	28N	20W	FLATHEAD

Total: 14.22

Purpose (Use): LAWN AND GARDEN

Volume: 6.95 AC-FT

Period of Use: APRIL 15 to OCTOBER 15

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	2.78		S2N2SE	33	28N	20W	FLATHEAD

Total: 2.78

Purpose (Use): STOCK

Volume: 0.35 AC-FT

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			S2N2SE	33	28N	20W	FLATHEAD

Remarks:

WATER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION

THE APPROPRIATOR SHALL INSTALL A DEPARTMENT APPROVED IN-LINE FLOW METER AT A POINT IN THE DELIVERY LINE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT. WATER MUST NOT BE DIVERTED UNTIL THE REQUIRED MEASURING DEVICE IS IN PLACE AND OPERATING. ON A FORM PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE APPROPRIATOR SHALL KEEP A WRITTEN MONTHLY RECORD OF THE FLOW RATE AND VOLUME OF ALL WATER DIVERTED, INCLUDING THE PERIOD OF TIME. RECORDS SHALL BE SUBMITTED BY JANUARY 31 OF EACH YEAR AND UPON REQUEST AT OTHER TIMES DURING THE YEAR UNTIL A FORM 617 PROJECT COMPLETION NOTICE IS SUBMITTED. FAILURE TO SUBMIT REPORTS MAY BE CAUSE FOR REVOCATION OF THE PERMIT. THE RECORDS MUST BE SENT TO THE KALISPELL REGIONAL WATER RESOURCES OFFICE. THE APPROPRIATOR SHALL MAINTAIN THE MEASURING DEVICE SO IT ALWAYS OPERATES PROPERLY AND MEASURES FLOW RATE AND VOLUME ACCURATELY.

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