

STATE OF MONTANA  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION  
1424 9TH AVENUE P.O.BOX 201601 HELENA, MONTANA 59620-1601

# GENERAL ABSTRACT

**Water Right Number:** 76H 151621-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Version Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** STEELE, ROBERT W & LAURA L TRUST  
20542 BRADGATE LN  
STRONGSVILLE, OH 44149-6778

**Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1858

**Enforceable Priority Date:** JULY 1, 1858

**Type of Historical Right:** DECREED

**Purpose (use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER

**Maximum Flow Rate:** 75.00 GPM

**Maximum Volume:** THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

**Climatic Area:** 2 - MODERATELY HIGH

**Maximum Acres:** 21.00

**Source Name:** WILLOW CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

**Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		NW	SENW	8	6N	19W RAVALLI

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Ditch Name:** WILLOW CREEK LOW DITCH

**Period of Use:** APRIL 1 to SEPTEMBER 30

**Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	11.00		NW	NESE	13	6N	20W RAVALLI
2	10.00		SW	NESE	13	6N	20W RAVALLI

**Total:** 21.00

**Geocodes/Valid:** 13-1468-13-3-01-02-0000 - Y      13-1468-13-3-01-03-0000 - Y

**Remarks:**

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

147779-00    151619-00    151620-00    151621-00

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 02/14/2007: PLACE OF USE, MAXIMUM ACRES.

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

NOTICE OF WATER RIGHT TRANSFER RECEIVED 09/04/90.

**OWNERSHIP UPDATE RECEIVED**

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 608 # 44477 RECEIVED 02/21/2007.

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 608 # 128548 RECEIVED 02/04/2015.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE FILED ON THE SAME FORMERLY DECREED WATER RIGHT. THE SUM OF THE CLAIMED FLOW RATES EXCEEDS THE 50 MINER'S INCHES DECREED IN CASE NO. 931, RAVALLI COUNTY. 40346-00, 40347-00, 151503-00, 151504-00, 151621-00.

**Remarks:**

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 11/15/2002, A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 147779-00, 151499-00, 151502-00, 151503-00, 151619-00, 151620-00, 151621-00.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. PER DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 165, PAGE 565, RAVALLI COUNTY, THE FIRST PRIORITY DATE ON WILLOW CREEK APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN RESERVED FROM GEOCODE NO. 13-1468-13-3-01-02-0000; BUT GRANTED 30 MINER'S INCHES OF THE FIFTH PRIORITY RIGHT ON WILLOW CREEK, AS DECREED ON 10/01/1864.