

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 107841-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Version Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** MEI-694, LLC  
84 LORENSEN LN  
DRUMMOND, MT 59832  
  
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HAMILTON, MT 59840  
  
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PO BOX 1705  
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**Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1876  
**Enforceable Priority Date:** MAY 1, 1876

**Type of Historical Right:** DECREED

**Purpose (use):** STOCK

**Maximum Flow Rate:** A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOCK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FROM A DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

**Maximum Volume:** THIS RIGHT INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER CONSUMPTIVELY USED FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF 30 GALLONS PER DAY PER ANIMAL UNIT. ANIMAL UNITS SHALL BE BASED ON REASONABLE CARRYING CAPACITY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA SERVICED BY THIS WATER SOURCE.

**Source Name:** SKALKAHO 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		NENENW	7	5N	20W	RAVALLI

**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Ditch Name:** REPUBLICAN DITCH

2		SWNE	1	5N	21W	RAVALLI
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**Diversion Means:** LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

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4- SECONDARY		NWSWSE	6	5N	20W	RAVALLI
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**Period of Diversion:** JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

WATER FROM REPUBLICAN DITCH IS CONVEYED THROUGH AN UNNNAMED DITCH TO THE PLACE OF USE.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION FOR THIS CLAIM IS NENENW SEC 7 T5N R20W THE POINT WHERE THE REPUBLICAN DITCH INTERSECTS SKALKAHO CREEK. THIS CLAIM IS PART OF THE SKALKAHO CREEK AND BITTERROOT RIVER WATER EXCHANGE. WATER FROM THE BITTERROOT RIVER IS EXCHANGED FOR WATER FROM SKALKAHO CREEK THAT IS DIVERTED INTO THE SKALKAHO HI LINE (SWSWNE SEC 30 T5N R19W) AND WARD DITCHES (SWSESW SEC 15 T5N R20W). THE EXCHANGED WATER RELATIONSHIP IS DESCRIBED IN - RE THE PETITION FOR ORGANIZATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF AN IRRIGATION DISTRICT IN RAVALLI COUNTY, TO BE KNOWN AS DALY DITCHES IRRIGATION DISTRICT, FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF RAVALLI, CAUSE NO. DV-82-95, AND 209 MONT. 218 (1984).

