

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: 41M 153792-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM
Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT
Version Status: ACTIVE

Owners:
CLAIRE P SMITH
PO BOX 398
CUT BANK, MT 59427

RALEIGH R SMITH
PO BOX 398
CUT BANK, MT 59427

PAMELA D SMITH
PO BOX 398
CUT BANK, MT 59427

BILLIETTE S BROOKS
PO BOX 1107
DILLON, MT 59725-1107

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1970
Enforceable Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1970

Type of Historical Right: USE

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: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF SPRING CREEK
Source Type: SURFACE WATER
UNNAMED NATURAL LAKE

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		N2SWNE	5	31N	10W	GLACIER

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 31
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: MAY 1 to OCTOBER 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			N2SWNE	5	31N	10W	GLACIER

Geocodes/Valid: 38-4307-05-1-01-01-0000 - Y

Remarks:

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

THIS WATER RIGHT IS LOCATED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, WITHIN THE BOUNDARY OF THE BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION.

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 10/27/2014, THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY USA IN TRUST.

IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER THIS CLAIM IS A STATE-BASED WATER RIGHT OR PART OF THE TRIBAL WATER RIGHT AS DEFINED IN THE BLACKFEET TRIBE - MONTANA COMPACT. ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE MAY BE REQUIRED BEFORE THIS CLAIM CAN BE DECREED.