## 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 153737-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Version Status: ACTIVE** 

Owners: KATHLEEN R BIGSPRING

\*\*\*DECEASED\*\*\*

**BOX 128** 

EAST GLACIER PARK, MT 59434

Priority Date: JULY 31, 1932

Enforceable Priority Date: JULY 31, 1932

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 RAILROAD CREEK

**Source Type:** SURFACE WATER

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 W2SWSE 30 31N 12W GLACIER

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

 ID
 Acres
 Govt Lot
 Qtr Sec
 Sec
 Twp
 Rge
 County

 1
 W2SWSE
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 12W
 GLACIER

Geocodes/Valid: 38-4305-30-1-01-01-0000 - 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.

AS OF 01/23/2013, THIS WATER RIGHT APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY WILLIAM F BIG SPRING III, HC 72 BOX 5600, BROWNING, MT 59417-9703.

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.