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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 161498-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Version Status: ACTIVE

Owners: GERALD M LEAR

PO BOX 621

CHOTEAU, MT 59422-0621

MARY FAYE LANGEVIN % GERALD M. LEAR

PO BOX 621

CHOTEAU, MT 59422

KAY BEHRENS % GERALD M. LEAR

PO BOX 621

CHOTEAU, MT 59422

ANN OKEEFE % GERALD M. LEAR PO BOX 621

CHOTEAU, MT 59422

JOAN CAMPBELL % GERALD M. LEAR

PO BOX 621

CHOTEAU, MT 59422

LOIS GIOVANINI % GERALD M. LEAR

PO BOX 621

CHOTEAU, MT 59422

NANCY PEARSON % GERALD M. LEAR

PO BOX 621

CHOTEAU, MT 59422

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1892

Enforceable Priority Date: MAY 1, 1892

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD
Maximum Flow Rate: 1.25 CFS

Maximum Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT

PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 4 - MODERATELY LOW

Maximum Acres: 70.00

Source Name: SHEEP CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

IDGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty1NESENW2528N9WPONDERA

Period of Diversion: MAY 1 TO JUNE 30

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: MAY 1 to JUNE 30

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	County
1	25.00		SESE	24	28N	9W	PONDERA
2	30.00		NENE	25	28N	9W	PONDERA
3	10.00		NWNE	25	28N	9W	PONDERA
4	5.00		NESENW	25	28N	9W	PONDERA

Total: 70.00

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Geocodes/Valid: 26-3981-24-3-04-01-0000 - Y 26-3981-25-1-01-01-0000 - Y

Remarks:

THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS WERE AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 01/20/2006: POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF USE.

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

OWNERSHIP UPDATE RECEIVED

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 608 # 25936 RECEIVED 11/08/2005.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE. THE PONDERA COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1964) APPEARS TO INDICATE 0.00 ACRES IRRIGATED.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 282-79 , DATED 09/17/1982 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 15.70 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.