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: 42A 186040-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

Version Status: ACTIVE

Owners: JONES BROS LIVESTOCK CO

PO BOX 615

BUSBY, MT 59016

Priority Date: MAY 27, 1904

Enforceable Priority Date: MAY 27, 1904

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Maximum Flow Rate: 2.73 CFS

THE FLOW RATE OF THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 17 GPM PER ACRE.

THE FLOW RATE MAY BE CONTESTED BY PROPER OBJECTION.

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: 72.00

Source Name: SPRING CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

IDGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty1NWNESE236S38EBIG HORN

Period of Diversion: APRIL 1 TO JUNE 30

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Period of Use: APRIL 1 to JUNE 30

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	Acres	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	<u>Sec</u>	Twp	Rge	County
1	8.30		S2SENE	24	6S	38E	BIG HORN
2	26.40		E2	19	6S	39E	BIG HORN
3	34.40		W2	19	6S	39E	BIG HORN
4	2.90		NWNWSW	20	6S	39E	BIG HORN
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Total: 72.00

Geocodes/Valid: -- NO VALID GEOCODES --

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.

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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 CROW INDIAN RESERVATION.

FLOW RATE MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF MAXIMUM ACRES ISSUE.

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 09/15/2011, A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY DWIGHT FERGUSON HC 42 BOX 610 BUSBY, MT 591069706.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO. 379-166 , DATED 10/04/1980 APPEARS TO INDICATE 46.49 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

Remarks:

USDI AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO. MA-16-13 , DATED 1944 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 31.12 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

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