

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 147779-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

**Version Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** STEELE, ROBERT W & LAURA L TRUST  
20542 BRADGATE LN  
STRONGSVILLE, OH 44149-6778

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1912

**Enforceable Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1912

**Type of Historical Right:** USE

**Purpose (use):** IRRIGATION

**Irrigation Type:** SPRINKLER/FLOOD

**Maximum Flow Rate:** 336.60 GPM

**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:** 21.00

**Source Name:** WILLOW 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		NW	SENW	8	6N	19W RAVALLI

**Period of Diversion:** APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 31

**Diversion Means:** HEADGATE

**Ditch Name:** WILLOW CREEK LOW DITCH

**Period of Use:** APRIL 1 to OCTOBER 31

**Place of Use:**

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	11.00		NW	NESE	13	6N	20W RAVALLI
2	10.00		SW	NESE	13	6N	20W RAVALLI

**Total:** 21.00

**Geocodes/Valid:** 13-1468-13-3-01-02-0000 - Y      13-1468-13-3-01-03-0000 - Y

**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.

147779-00    151619-00    151620-00    151621-00

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

NOTICE OF WATER RIGHT TRANSFER RECEIVED 09/04/90.

**OWNERSHIP UPDATE RECEIVED**

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 608 # 44477 RECEIVED 02/21/2007.

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 608 # 128548 RECEIVED 02/04/2015.

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 11/21/2014, A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION.

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT WERE FILED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES WHO CLAIM OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. 147779-00, 151499-00, 151502-00, 151503-00, 151619-00, 151620-00, 151621-00.

THE PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THIS CLAIM IS FOR A USE RIGHT ON WILLOW CREEK WITH A PRIORITY DATE POSTDATING CASE NO. 931, RAVALLI COUNTY.