

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: 430 181238-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM
Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT
Version Status: ACTIVE

Owners: WATSON FARMS INC
HC 45 BOX 920
LODGE GRASS, MT 59050

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1896
Enforceable Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1896

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION
Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Maximum Flow Rate: 3.63 CFS

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: 145.00

Source Name: LITTLE BIGHORN RIVER
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	29	6S	35E	BIG HORN

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO NOVEMBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: LODGE GRASS CANAL NO. 1

Period of Use: APRIL 15 to NOVEMBER 15

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	40.00		NW	27	5S	35E	BIG HORN
2	25.00		SE	27	5S	35E	BIG HORN
3	80.00		N2	27	5S	35E	BIG HORN
Total:	145.00						

Geocodes/Valid: 22-0549-27-1-02-02-0000 - Y 22-0549-27-1-04-01-0000 - Y
22-0549-27-2-01-03-0000 - 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 CROW INDIAN RESERVATION.

OWNERSHIP UPDATE RECEIVED

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 608 # 150325 RECEIVED 11/23/2016.

NO REVIEW OR DETERMINATION OF THE CLAIMED TYPE OF HISTORICAL RIGHT HAS BEEN MADE. ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE MAY BE REQUIRED BEFORE THIS CLAIM CAN BE DECREED.

THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO DUPLICATE CLAIM NO. 190139-00 FILED BY THE CROW INDIAN TRIBE, LODGE GRASS CANAL #1.

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

THE BIG HORN COUNTY WATER RESOURCES SURVEY (1947) APPEARS TO INDICATE 36.35 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

USDA AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH NO(S). 179-177 , DATED 09/26/1980 , APPEARS TO INDICATE 124.98 ACRES IRRIGATED. A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACRES IS IN THE CLAIM FILE.

THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. IT APPEARS THE PRIORITY DATE SHOULD BE THE DATE THE LODGE GRASS CANAL NO. 1 WAS FIRST PUT TO USE.