

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:** 43P 185147-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Version Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:** FRANKLIN J RIGLER  
PO BOX 970  
GARDINER, MT 59030-0970

**Priority Date:** MAY 7, 1868  
**Enforceable Priority Date:** MAY 7, 1868

**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:** SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF ROTTEN GRASS 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		SW	NESE	31	6S	34E BIG HORN

**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:**

<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>
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**Geocodes/Valid:** -- NO VALID GEOCODES --

**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 # 22790 RECEIVED 06/07/2005.  
OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 608 # 49165 RECEIVED 08/08/2007.

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.

AS OF 10/05/2014 , THIS WATER RIGHT APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY USA IN TRUST FOR CROW TRIBE, PO BOX 69, CROW AGENCY, MT, 59022-0069.

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.