

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 189051-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM  
**Version:** 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT  
**Version Status:** ACTIVE

**Owners:**  
BETTY B SMALL  
HC 42 BOX 660  
BUSBY, MT 59016  
  
JOHN W SMALL  
HC 42 BOX 660  
BUSBY, MT 59016

**Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1868

**Enforceable Priority Date:** DECEMBER 31, 1868

**Type of Historical Right:** FILED

**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:** SHEEP GULCH  
**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		E2E2NE	32	5S	39E	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 NORTHERN CHEYENNE INDIAN RESERVATION.

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.

ACCORDING TO CADASTRAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP RECORDS, AS OF 10/09/2012, A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THIS WATER RIGHT IS USED APPEARS TO BE OWNED BY USA IN TRUST FOR CHEYENNE TRIBE.

THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PRIORITY DATE ON THE SUBMITTED CLAIM TO WATER IS FROM THE 1868 TREATY.

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