

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 43466-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM
Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT
Version Status: ACTIVE

Owners:
JOHN L MEHLING
RR 1 BOX 1060
HARDIN, MT 59034

ELIZABETH W MEHLING
RR 1 BOX 1060
HARDIN, MT 59034

WESTON MEHLING
RR 1 BOX 1083
HARDIN, MT 59034

RIDER FARMS INC
7 ELIZA DR UNIT A
MANHATTAN, MT 59741

TWIN COULEE RANCH INC
C/O DARLENE KEEFER
114 VALLEY RD
ROUNDUP, MT 59072

OWNERSHIP UPDATE PROCESSED TO ADD NEW OWNERS. THE WATER RIGHT MAY BE SPLIT INTO SEPARATE WATER RIGHTS UPON REQUEST OF THE OWNERS.

Priority Date: JULY 25, 1868
Enforceable Priority Date: JULY 25, 1868

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose (use): IRRIGATION
Irrigation Type: FLOOD

Maximum Flow Rate: 4.31 CFS

Maximum Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 1 - HIGH

Maximum Acres: 115.00

Source Name: BIGHORN RIVER
Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1		SWNESW	34	1N	33E	BIG HORN

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: BIG HORN LOW LINE CANAL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Govt Lot</u>	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1	115.00		W2	22	2N	33E	BIG HORN

Total: 115.00

Geocodes/Valid: 22-1142-22-2-01-01-0000 - Y 22-1142-22-2-03-01-0000 - Y
22-1142-22-3-02-03-0000 - Y

Remarks:

THE FLOW RATE WAS AMENDED BY THE CLAIMANT ON 03/20/1996.

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

WATER RIGHT OWNERSHIP UPDATE RECEIVED 04/01/1996.

Remarks:

OWNERSHIP UPDATE RECEIVED

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 608 # 18849 RECEIVED 10/22/2004.

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 641 # 92760 RECEIVED 06/09/2010.

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE 641 # 88603 RECEIVED 06/09/2010.

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 BE FOR WATER PROVIDED BY THE BIG HORN LOW LINE CANAL UNDER CLAIM NO. 20997-00 . THIS CLAIM APPEARS TO BE REDUNDANT.

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION MAY REQUIRE MODIFICATION BASED ON RESOLUTION OF THE PERIOD OF USE ISSUE.

THE CLAIMED PERIOD OF USE EXCEEDS THE USUAL GROWING SEASON FOR THIS CLIMATIC AREA WHICH IS MARCH 15 TO NOVEMBR 15.

THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. THE PRIORITY DATE ON THE SUBMITTED NOTICE OF APPROPRIATION IS OCTOBER 28, 1907.