

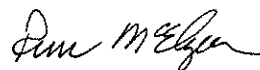
IN THE WATER COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
LOWER MISSOURI DIVISION
MISSOURI RIVER BETWEEN MUSSELSHELL RIVER AND FORT PECK
DAM – BASIN 40E

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
OBJECTIONS TO THE PRELIMINARY DECREE

The objection period for the Preliminary Decree in Basin 40E closes on April 5, 2021. On March 31, 2021, Wittmayer Grazing Association filed a Request for Extension.

This Court may extend the objection period in a Basin for up to two additional ninety-day periods, provided good cause is shown and the request for extension is received before the end of the current objection period. Section 85-2-233(2), MCA. Wittmayer Grazing Association's request for extension satisfies both of the above-mentioned criteria. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the request is GRANTED, and the objection period is EXTENDED for 30 days, until and including **Wednesday, May 5, 2021** to **file, not mail**, objections to the Preliminary Decree in Basin 40E. This extension applies to ALL WATER CLAIMANTS in this Basin, whether they asked for an extension or not. The Court will publish at least one notice of the extension in the *Circle Banner* in Circle, Montana, the *Jordan Tribune* in Jordan, Montana, and *The Glasgow Courier* in Glasgow, Montana, and the *Phillips County News* in Malta, Montana.



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