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IN THE WATER COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA UPPER MISSOURI DIVISION
MISSOURI RIVER ABOVE HOLTER DAM BASIN (411)
PRELIMINARY DECREE

CLAIMANTS: Linda Rae White

OBJECTOR: Leonard H. Lambott

CASE 41I-0037-R-2023 41I 27400-00

NOTICE OF FILING OF MASTER'S REPORT

This Master's Report was filed with the Montana Water Court on the above stamped date. <u>Please review this report carefully.</u>

You may file a written objection to this Master's Report within **10 days** of the stamped date if you disagree or find errors with the Master's findings of fact, conclusions of law, or recommendations. Rule 23, W.R.Adj.R. If the Master's Report was mailed to you, the Montana Rules of Civil Procedure allow an additional 3 days be added to the 10-day objection period. Rule 6(d), M.R.Civ.P. If you file an objection, you must serve a copy of the objection to all parties on the service list found at the end of the Master's Report. The original objection and a certificate of mailing to all parties on the service list must be filed with the Water Court.

If you do not file a timely objection, the Water Court will conclude that you agree with the content of this Master's Report.

MASTER'S REPORT

Claim 41I 27400-00 appeared in the Preliminary Decree for the Missouri River above Holter Dam (Basin 41I) issued on June 24, 2022. The claim received an objection from Leonard Lambott. The objection questions the involvement of claim 41I 27400-00 in the Broadwater-Missouri Water Users Association's exchange.

FINDING OF FACT

- 1. On August 30, 2024, Mr. Lambott withdrew his objection to claim 41I 27400-00. (Doc. 1 8.00).
- 2. The withdrawal states that the objection is withdrawn so long as the claim is decreed without reference to the Broadwater Missouri Canal or an exchange. *Id*.
- 3. Claimant has not requested a remark referencing the Broadwater Missouri Canal or an exchange. The claim did not receive issue remarks.

PRINCIPLES AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Mr. Lambott's withdrawal of his objection resolves the outstanding issues in this matter.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Mr. Lambott's withdrawal should be accepted.
- 2. The elements of claim 41I 27400-00 should remain as they appeared in the Basin 41I Preliminary Decree.

A post decree abstract of the water right claim reflecting these recommendations is attached to this Report.

ELECTRONICALLY SIGNED AND DATED BELOW.

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POST DECREE

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

MISSOURI RIVER, ABOVE HOLTER DAM

BASIN 41I

Water Right Number: 411 27400-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: LINDA RAE WHITE

23 LOWER DEEP CREEK RD TOWNSEND, MT 59644-9772

Priority Date: MAY 1, 1867

Type of Historical Right: DECREED

Purpose (Use): IRRIGATION

Irrigation Type: FLOOD
Flow Rate: 2.50 CFS

*Volume: THE TOTAL VOLUME OF THIS WATER RIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT

TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

Climatic Area: 3 - MODERATE

*Maximum Acres: 250.00

Source Name: DEEP CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

ID Govt Lot Otr Sec Sec Twp Rge County

1 SWSENE 9 6N 2E BROADWATER

Period of Diversion: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: SECTION 9 DITCH

Period of Use: APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15

*Place of Use:

ID **Govt Lot** Acres Otr Sec **Sec Twp** Rge **County** 174.00 E2 6N 2E **BROADWATER** 1 5 2 76.00 N2NE 6N 2E **BROADWATER**

Total: 250.00

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE SUPPLEMENTAL WHICH MEANS THE RIGHTS HAVE OVERLAPPING PLACES OF USE. THE RIGHTS CAN BE COMBINED TO IRRIGATE ONLY OVERLAPPING PARCELS. EACH RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE FLOW RATE AND PLACE OF USE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL RIGHT. THE SUM TOTAL VOLUME OF THESE WATER RIGHTS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PUT TO HISTORICAL AND BENEFICIAL USE.

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