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IN THE WATER COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA LOWER MISSOURI DIVISION JUDITH RIVER BASIN (41S) PRELIMINARY DECREE

CLAIMANTS: Maureen R. Picco; Diane B. Snapp; Patricia L. Snapp; David A. Weinheimer

CASE 41S-0311-R-2024							
41S 102006-00	41S 30109269						
41S 126207-00	41S 30109271						
41S 126210-00	41S 30109272						
41S 126211-00	41S 30109273						
41S 135269-00	41S 30109274						
41S 140044-00	41S 30109275						
41S 148589-00	41S 30170736						
41S 30109268	41S 30170737						

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

The above-captioned claims appeared in the Preliminary Decree for the Judith River (Basin 41S) and claims 41S 135269-00,41S 140044-00, and 41S 148589-00 received issue remarks regarding late objections filed by William Snapp, Patricia Snapp, and Maureen Picco.

The claims were consolidated into Case 41S-0311-R-2024 on February 26, 2024, and a status conference was set. On July 18, 2024, claimants Diane Snapp, Patricia Snapp, and Maureen Picco filed documentation stating their proposed resolutions to the late objections ("Proposed Resolutions") (Doc. 1 3.00). On July 31, 2024, this Court issued an Order requiring claimant David Weinheimer to file documentation stating their position on the Proposed Resolutions. Nothing was filed in response to the Order.

On December 17, 2024, an Order Setting Status Conference was issued requiring the parties to attend a status conference to clarify the Proposed Resolutions and a conference was held on January 14, 2025. David Weinheimer failed to attend the conference and the remaining claimants in attendance clarified certain aspects of the Proposed Resolutions.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Pursuant to the Proposed Resolutions and the clarifications discussed at the status conference, claim 41S 135269-00 should be split pursuant to ownership. A new claim should be generated mirroring the elements of claim 41S 135269-00 except for the point of diversion, means of diversion and place of use. Point of diversion #2 and place of use #2 are located on land owned by David Weinheimer and should be removed from claim 41S 135269-00.
- 2. Pursuant to the Proposed Resolutions and the clarifications discussed at the status conference, claim 41S 140044-00 should be split pursuant to ownership. A new claim should be generated mirroring the elements of claim 41S 135269-00 except for the place of use. Place of use #2 is located on land owned by David Weinheimer and should be removed from claim 41S 140044-00.

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^{1 &}quot;Doc." numerical references correlate to case file docket numbers in the Water Court's Full Court case management system.

3. Pursuant to the Proposed Resolutions and the clarifications discussed at the status conference, claim 41S 148589-00 should be modified as follows:

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:								
<u>ID</u> 1	Govt Lot	Otr Sec SESWNE		<u>Sec</u> 23	<u>Twp</u> 17N	<u>Rge</u> 17E	County FERGUS	
*Period of Diversion:	JANUARY 1 TO	DECEMBER	31					
Diversion Means:	FLOWING H	leadgate - Li	ncoln	ditch				
Reservoir: OFFSTREAM								
<u>0</u>	Covt Lot	Otr Sec SESWNE	23	17N		Count	_	
	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec SENWNE	Se	<u>e</u> T	<u>wр 1</u>	Rge Co		
Diversion to Reservoir:	DIVERSION #	1						
Dam Height:	23.00 FEET							
Depth:	20.00 FEET							
Surface Area:	3.00 ACRES							
Capacity:	24.00 ACRE-F	EET						

- 4. The modification of the claims as described above would resolve the late objections to the claims and the issue remarks identifying them.
- 5. The remaining remarks are notice-type remarks that do not require additional information or proceedings to resolve and should be removed from the claims.

PRINCIPLES OF LAW

- 1. The Montana Water Court has the authority to determine the extent of all water rights in the state as they existed prior to July 1, 1973. *Fellows v. Saylor*, 2016 MT 45, ¶ 25, 382 Mont. 298, 367 P.3d 732; §§ 85-2-233, -102(13), MCA.
- 2. A properly filed Statement of Claim for Existing Water Right is prima facie proof of its content. § 85-2-222, 85-2-227, MCA. This prima facie proof may be contradicted and overcome by other evidence that proves, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the elements of the claim do not accurately reflect the beneficial use of the water right as it existed prior to July 1, 1973. This is the burden of proof for every assertion that a claim is incorrect. Rule 19, W.R.Adj.R.
- 3. The Water Court may use information submitted by the DNRC, the Statement of Claim, and any other data obtained by the Court to evaluate a water right. §§ 85-2-227, -231(2), MCA.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The claims should be modified as discussed above.
- 2. The issue remarks should be removed from the claims.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Upon review of the record in this case, the claims should be modified as described above. The late objections and issue remarks identifying them should be resolved. The modification of the claims and evidence presented resolve the remaining issue remarks and they should be removed.

Post Decree Abstracts of Water Right Claims are attached to this Master's Report for review.

ELECTRONICALLY SIGNED AND DATED BELOW.

Service via USPS Mail:

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Note: Caption Updated 5-9-2025

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 102006-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1935

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

*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.

*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: WARM SPRING CREEK
Source Type: SURFACE WATER

*Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

ID Govt Lot Qtr Sec Sec Twp Rge County

SWNENW 23 17N 17E FERGUS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

Ditch Name: BANK RANCH DITCH

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	County
1			E2SW	15	17N	17E	FERGUS
2			SESE	15	17N	17E	FERGUS
3			N2NE	22	17N	17E	FERGUS
4			NENW	22	17N	17E	FERGUS

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 126207-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1941

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

*Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS

ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT

HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

*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: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF MING COULEE

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

IDGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty1SWNWNE1718N17EFERGUS

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

*Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: TRACY PLACE

Govt Lot Qtr Sec Sec Twp Rge County
SWNWNE 17 18N 17E FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Dam Height:12.00 FEETDepth:9.00 FEETSurface Area:0.97 ACRES

Capacity: 3.49 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, MAXIMUM DEPTH, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN

ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

IDAcresGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty1SWNWNE1718N17EFERGUS

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 126210-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1947

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

*Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS

ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT

HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

*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: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HAMILTON COULEE

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 SWSWSW 19 18N 17E FERGUS

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

THE PERIOD OF DIVERSION HAS BEEN STANDARDIZED BY DNRC FOR THIS CLAIM.

Reservoir: ONSTREAM

Govt Lot Qtr Sec Sec Twp Rge County

SWSWSW 19 18N 17E FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION #1

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

IDAcresGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty1SWSWSW1918N17EFERGUS

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 126211-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1946

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

*Flow Rate: A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED FOR THIS USE FROM THIS

ONSTREAM RESERVOIR. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT

HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

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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: HAMILTON COULEE

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

IDGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty1SESWSE1718N17EFERGUS

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

*Reservoir: ONSTREAM Reservoir Name: MARCHELL 160

Govt Lot Qtr Sec Sec Twp Rge County

SESWSE 17 18N 17E FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Dam Height:16.00 FEETDepth:13.00 FEETSurface Area:5.43 ACRES

Capacity: 28.24 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT, MAXIMUM DEPTH, AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN

ESTIMATED BY DNRC.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	Govt Lot	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	County
1			SESWSE	17	18N	17E	FERGUS
2			SWSESE	17	18N	17E	FERGUS

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 135269-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 4 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

DAVID A WEINHEIMER

PO BOX 658

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0658

Priority Date: MAY 6, 1912

Type of Historical Right: USE
Purpose (Use): STOCK

*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.

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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: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF JUDITH 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 E2NE 24 17N 16E FERGUS

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 Govt Lot Qtr Sec Sec Twp Rge County</u>

1 NWNE 24 17N 16E FERGUS

Remarks:

IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 41S 30029050 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

SPLIT CLAIM NO. 41S 30170736 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 140044-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: MAY 21, 1938

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

*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.

*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: WARM SPRING CREEK

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

IDGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty1SWSENE2317N17EFERGUS

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

*Reservoir: OFFSTREAM

Govt Lot Qtr Sec Sec Twp Rge County

SENWNE 24 17N 16E FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Dam Height: 23.00 FEET

Depth: 20.00 FEET

Surface Area: 3.00 ACRES

Capacity: 24.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY

DNRC.

SEE THE GW4- VESTED GROUDWATER FILING IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL

RESERVOIR DATA.

Period of Use:

JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	County
1			SENWNE	24	17N	16E	FERGUS

Remarks:

SPLIT CLAIM NO. 41S 30170737 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 148589-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 4 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

*Priority Date: MAY 21, 1938

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

*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.

*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: WARM SPRING CREEK

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 SESWNE 23 17N 17E FERGUS

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: HEADGATE

Ditch Name: LINCOLN DITCH

Reservoir: OFFSTREAM

Govt Lot Qtr Sec Sec Twp Rge County

SENWNE 24 17N 16E FERGUS

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Dam Height:23.00 FEETDepth:20.00 FEETSurface Area:3.00 ACRES

Capacity: 24.00 ACRE-FEET

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

*Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	Govt Lot	<u>Qtr Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
1			SENW	13	17N	16E	FERGUS
2			E2SW	13	17N	16E	FERGUS
3			W2NE	24	17N	16E	FERGUS

THE PLACE OF USE IN THE W2NE SEC 24, T17N, R16E IS LIMITED TO THE PORTIONS OF LINCOLN DITCH NORTH OF THE RESERVOIR FENCE ABOVE THE RESERVOIR AND SOUTH OF THE RESERVOIR FENCE BELOW THE RESERVOIR AND DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RESERVOIR ITSELF.

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 30109268 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: FEBRUARY 8, 1939

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

*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.

*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: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HAMILTON COULEE

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

*Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

ID Govt Lot Qtr Sec Sec Twp Rge County

1 S2 19 18N 17E FERGUS

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:

IDAcresGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty1S21918N17EFERGUS

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 30109269 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

*Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1901

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 8.00 GPM

*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 JUDITH RIVER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

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 SWSENW 13 17N 16E FERGUS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

MEANS OF DIVERSION INCLUDES A PIPELINE AND TANKS.

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

*Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	County
1			SWSENW	13	17N	16E	FERGUS
2			SENENW	24	17N	16E	FERGUS

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 30109271 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

*Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1901

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): DOMESTIC
Flow Rate: 8.00 GPM
Volume: 2.10 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.25

*Source Name: SPRING, UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HAMILTON COULEE

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

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 SWSENW 13 17N 16E FERGUS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Place of Use:

IDAcresGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty10.25NENENW2417N16EFERGUS

Total: 0.25

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 30109272 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1961

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 4.00 GPM

*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 JUDITH RIVER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

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 E2SWNW 13 17N 16E FERGUS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: DEVELOPED SPRING

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

*Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Acres</u>	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	County
1			SESWNW	13	17N	16E	FERGUS
2			SWSWNW	13	17N	16E	FERGUS

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 30109273 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: OCTOBER 7, 1957

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose (Use): STOCK

Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM

*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: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

*Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

IDGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty14SWSWSW1918N17EFERGUS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

*Place of Use:

IDAcresGovt LotQtr SecSecTwpRgeCounty14NWSWSW1918N17EFERGUS

Remarks:

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 30109274 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: FEBRUARY 8, 1939

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (Use): STOCK

*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.

*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: HAMILTON COULEE

Source Type: SURFACE WATER

*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HAMILTON COULEE

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 S2S2S2 18 18N 17E FERGUS

*Source Name: HAMILTON COULEE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

2 NENE 19 18N 17E FERGUS

*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HAMILTON COULEE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

3 N2NWNE 19 18N 17E FERGUS

*Source Name: HAMILTON COULEE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

4 N2N2NW 19 18N 17E FERGUS

*Source Name: HAMILTON COULEE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

5 NW 20 18N 17E FERGUS

*Source Name: UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF HAMILTON COULEE

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>	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	County
1			S2S2S2	18	18N	17E	FERGUS
2			NENE	19	18N	17E	FERGUS
3			N2NWNE	19	18N	17E	FERGUS
4			N2N2NW	19	18N	17E	FERGUS
5			NW	20	18N	17E	FERGUS

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 30109275 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 2 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: MAUREEN R PICCO

PO BOX 653

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0653

DIANE B SNAPP 72 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457

PATRICIA L SNAPP 204 SNAPP LOOP

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2235

Priority Date: OCTOBER 7, 1957

Type of Historical Right: FILED

Purpose (Use): DOMESTIC
Flow Rate: 12.00 GPM
Volume: 1.63 AC-FT

Households: 1

Maximum Acres: 0.25

Source Name: GROUNDWATER

Source Type: GROUNDWATER

*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 4 SWSWSW 19 18N 17E FERGUS

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: WELL

Period of Use: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

*Place of Use:

 ID
 Acres
 Govt Lot
 Qtr Sec
 Sec
 Twp
 Rge
 County

 1
 0.25
 4
 SWSWSW
 19
 18N
 17E
 FERGUS

Total: 0.25

Remarks:

THE WATER RIGHTS LISTED FOLLOWING THIS STATEMENT ARE MULTIPLE USES OF THE SAME RIGHT. THE USE OF THIS RIGHT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES DOES NOT INCREASE THE EXTENT OF THE WATER RIGHT. RATHER IT DECREES THE RIGHT TO ALTERNATE AND EXCHANGE THE USE (PURPOSE) OF THE WATER IN ACCORD WITH HISTORICAL PRACTICES.

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ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 30170736 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

> Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

> > **Status: ACTIVE**

Owners: DAVID A WEINHEIMER

PO BOX 658

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0658

Priority Date: MAY 6, 1912

USE Type of Historical Right:

STOCK Purpose (Use):

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.

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.

UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF JUDITH RIVER **Source Name:**

SURFACE WATER **Source Type:**

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

ID **Govt Lot Qtr Sec Twp** Rge **County** Sec 1

NWNE 24 17N 16E **FERGUS**

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> **Acres** Govt Lot Otr Sec **Sec Twp** Rge **County**

E2NE 24 17N 16E **FERGUS**

Remarks:

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IMPLIED CLAIM NO. 41S 30029050 WAS AUTHORIZED AND GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS CLAIM.

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 41S 135269-00.

ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM

JUDITH RIVER

BASIN 41S

Water Right Number: 41S 30170737 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

> Version: 1 -- ORIGINAL RIGHT

> > **Status: ACTIVE**

Owners: DAVID A WEINHEIMER

PO BOX 658

LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0658

Priority Date: MAY 21, 1938

USE Type of Historical Right:

STOCK Purpose (Use):

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.

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: WARM SPRING CREEK

SURFACE WATER **Source Type:**

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

ID **Govt Lot Qtr Sec** Twp Rge **County** Sec 1

SWSENE 23 17N 17E **FERGUS**

*Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

*Reservoir: **OFFSTREAM**

> **Govt Lot** Otr Sec Sec Twp Rge County

> > 16E **FERGUS SENWNE** 24 17N

Diversion to Reservoir: DIVERSION # 1

Dam Height: 23.00 FEET Depth: 20.00 FEET

Surface Area: 3.00 ACRES

Capacity: 24.00 ACRE-FEET

THE CAPACITY, DAM HEIGHT AND SURFACE AREA HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY

DNRC.

SEE THE GW4- VESTED GROUDWATER FILING IN THE CLAIM FILE FOR ADDITIONAL

RESERVOIR DATA.

JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31 Period of Use:

Place of Use:

ID **Govt Lot** Acres Otr Sec Sec Twp Rge County **SWNENE** 24 17N 16E **FERGUS** 1

Remarks:

THIS SPLIT CLAIM WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE WATER COURT BASED ON INFORMATION IN CLAIM NO. 41S 140044-00.