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MONTANA WATER COURT
LOWER MISSOURI DIVISION
JUDITH RIVER
BASIN (41S)
PRELIMINARY DECREE

CLAIMANT: DTC Ranch, LLC; Bar N Bar, LLC

OBJECTOR: Stacie Arntzen

CASE 41S-0033-R-2024

41S 139337-00

41S 139340-00

41S 139343-00

41S 30130840

41S 30130861

41S 30130890

ORDER AMENDING AND ADOPTING MASTER’S REPORT

Pursuant to Montana Code Annotated, § 85-2-233(5), the above-entitled Case was assigned to Water Master Anika. The Water Master filed a Report containing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law with the Clerk of Court. Copies of the Report were served upon the parties on June 9, 2026. On June 10, 2026, DTC Ranch LLC, filed an Objection to Master’s Report, objecting to the source of claim 41S 30130861.

Pursuant to the January 21, 2025 Memorandum to Resolve Issue Remarks, claim 41S 30130861 does not include an Unnamed Tributary of Antelope Creek, it includes Antelope Creek, and the source should be modified to reflect Antelope Creek. (Doc. 5.00).

Therefore, the source for claim 41S 30130861 should be modified to Antelope Creek.

The Court has reviewed the Water Master's Findings and Conclusions. Pursuant to Rule 53(e), Montana Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court **ADOPTS** the Master's Report with the above referenced amendment, and

ORDERS that an abstract Water Right Claim 41S 30130861 be served with this Order to confirm that the recommendation set forth in the Master's Report, as amended by this Order, has been adopted for the claim.

ELECTRONICALLY SIGNED AND DATED BELOW.

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**POST DECREE
ABSTRACT OF WATER RIGHT CLAIM
JUDITH RIVER
BASIN 41S**

Water Right Number: 41S 30130861 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- POST DECREE

Status: ACTIVE

Owners: DTC RANCH LLC
PO BOX 699
LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-0699

Priority Date: APRIL 30, 1885

Type of Historical Right: FILED

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: ANTELOPE CREEK

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		E2SW	35	13N	13E	JUDITH BASIN
Period of Diversion:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
Diversion Means:	LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
2		W2E2	35	13N	13E	JUDITH BASIN
Period of Diversion:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
Diversion Means:	LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
3		E2W2	26	13N	13E	JUDITH BASIN
Period of Diversion:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
Diversion Means:	LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
4		W2E2	26	13N	13E	JUDITH BASIN
Period of Diversion:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
Diversion Means:	LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
5		SE	23	13N	13E	JUDITH BASIN
Period of Diversion:	JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31					
Diversion Means:	LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE					
6		S2NE	23	13N	13E	JUDITH BASIN
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 Sec</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>Twp</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>County</u>
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