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IN THE WATER COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA  
CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES – MONTANA – UNITED STATES  
COMPACT

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**CASE NO. WC-0001-C-2021**

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 8**

**Evidentiary Hearing Case Numbering Protocol**

The purpose of this Order is to set procedures to clarify filings in connection with scheduled evidentiary hearings. The Water Court issues this Order in connection with proceedings for resolution of objections filed to the Preliminary Decree for the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes – Montana – United States Compact (“Compact”). For purposes of this Order, the parties to the Compact are referred to as the “Compact Parties.” Persons or entities that filed objections to the Preliminary Decree for the Compact are referred to individually as an “Objector” or collectively as “Objectors.”

**BACKGROUND**

Based on prior orders, the Court has set evidentiary hearings over the course of several weeks, beginning on April 22, 2025. There currently are sixteen hearings scheduled. All filings for all hearings shall continue to be made in the master docket for this case. However, to minimize confusion, the Court is assigning a hearing number for each separate hearing. This Order sets the hearing number for each case and requires that the hearing number be included in the document title for all future filings that pertain to a

hearing. For example, filings for the Sego-Slack hearing would include the following in the title of a filed document: “Hearing no. 1.”

**ORDER**

Therefore, it is ORDERED that the following amends and supplements the prior case management orders and applies to the Compact Parties and all Objectors.

The hearing numbers for each evidentiary hearing are as follows:

Hearing no.	Party	Original hearing request doc. no.
1	Sego, Slack	2128.00
2	Ammen	2132.00
3	Mission and Jocko Irr. Districts	2125.00
4	Missoula Irr. Dist.	2117.00
5	Doty group	2120.00
6	Valerie Root	2130.00
7	Krantz	2113.00
8	Sauer	2114.00
9	Shea	2123.00
10	Yelin	2124.00
11	Jore group	2121.00
12	Lake County	2115.00
13	Hungry Horse WSD, etc.	2116.00
14	A Abel, etc.	2118.00
15	Carter	2111.00
16	Allen	2112.00

The applicable hearing number shall be included with the document title for each document filed in connection with an evidentiary hearing.

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