

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice to Water Users  
(Pursuant to Section 85-2-307, MCA)

The following application has been submitted to renew a temporary authorization for change.

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NEW EVIDENCE OF ADVERSE EFFECT TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING BY NOVEMBER 5, 2024. MAIL THE EVIDENCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601.

ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE WATER RESOURCES REGIONAL OFFICE, 2273 BOOT HILL COURT, SUITE 110, BOZEMAN, MT 59715-7249 PHONE: 406-586-3136 FAX: 406-587-9726.

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**Application Number:** 41H 30063828

**Applicant:** LAZY J RANCHES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP  
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## **WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED**

<b>Water Right Type</b>	<b>Water Right Number</b>	<b>Priority Date</b>
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41H 136658-00	AUGUST 4, 1891
Historical Flow Rate: 0.57 CFS	Historical Consumptive Volume: 16.92 AC-FT	Historical Diverted Volume: 60.00 AC-FT

## **PAST USE OF WATER**

PAST USE OF WATER INCLUDED IRRIGATION ON 15 ACRES GENERALLY LOCATED WITHIN THE NE OF SECTION 8 OF T1S, R7E, GALLATIN COUNTY. DIVERSION OF WATER OCCURRED AS EARLY AS APRIL 1 AND CONTINUED AS LATE AS NOVEMBER 1. WATER WAS DIVERTED FROM BRIDGER CREEK BY PUMP AT A POINT OF DIVERSION IN THE NWNENE OF SECTION 8, T1S, R7E, AT A FLOW RATE UP TO 0.57 CFS. THE HISTORIC VOLUME CONSUMED BY PASTURE GRASS WAS 16.92 ACRE-FEET, AND A DIVERTED VOLUME OF 60.00 ACRE-FEET WAS NECESSARY DUE TO FIELD INEFFICIENCIES.

## **PROPOSED CHANGE**

THIS APPLICATION IS TO RENEW A TEMPORARY CHANGE. THE TEMPORARY CHANGE WAS ORIGINALLY ISSUED ON 08/01/2013 FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS AND AUTHORIZED THE CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT 41H 136658-00. A CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE AND PURPOSE OF USE OF A PORTION OF THE ABOVE RIGHTS WAS AUTHORIZED FOR MAINTAINING AND ENHANCING STREAMFLOWS FOR FISHERIES FROM APRIL 1 THROUGH NOVEMBER 1. THE CHANGED PLACE OF USE INCLUDES BRIDGER CREEK FROM THE POINT OF DIVERSION IN THE NWNENE OF SECTION 8, T1S, R7E, GALLATIN COUNTY, TO THE CONFLUENCE OF BRIDGER AND STONE CREEKS NEAR THE OWNER'S DOWNSTREAM PROPERTY BOUNDARY IN THE NWNENE OF SECTION 17, T1S, R7E, GALLATIN COUNTY. THE RENEWAL PERIOD REQUESTED IS AN ADDITIONAL 10 YEARS.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

THIS APPLICATION WAS FILED SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH FOUR OTHER INSTREAM CHANGE APPLICATIONS FOR OLSON, WHITE, PINE, AND STONE CREEKS AS PART OF THE SAME TROUT UNLIMITED PROJECT.

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