



LITTLE MUDDY CREEK RANCH WATER RIGHTS AND IMPROVEMENTS

HISTORICAL USE

Initially, dating back 22 years, the ranch was under two CRP contracts. Both were planted in April 2000. Contract 326A was 2,033 acres. It expired September 30, 2014. Contract 586B was 1,292 acres. It expired September 30, 2017.

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER OF 2014 A PORTION OF THE EXPIRED CONTRACT 326A WAS GRAZED. THERE WERE 273 COWS ON THE LAND FOR THE 2-MONTH PERIOD.

FROM MARCH 30, 2015, UNTIL NOVEMBER 30, 2015, THERE WERE 162 PAIR, 75 YEARLINGS AND 6 BULLS ON THE EXPIRED CRP CONTRACT 326A.

In 2016 189 pair, 6 bulls, and 75 yearlings grazed the expired CRP contract 326A from March 30 until November 30.

From March 31, 2017, until October 1, 2017, 190 pair, 9 bulls and 94 yearlings grazed the expired CRP contract 326A. An early snowstorm forced the cows off the pasture early this particular year.

In 2018 CRP contract 586B expired opening the additional remaining pasture for grazing. 320 pair, 9 bulls and 56 heifers grazed the ranch from May 12 until December 4.

DURING 2019 320 PAIR AND 14 BULLS GRAZED FROM MAY 22 UNTIL DECEMBER 9.

In 2020 257 pair, 36 cows, 10 yearlings and 9 bulls grazed from May 17 to October 20. A heavy snowstorm forced the cows off early in 2020.

MOST RECENTLY IN 2021 101 PAIR, 21 YEARLINGS AND 3 BULLS GRAZED THE RANCH FROM MAY 14 THROUGH OCTOBER 25. BY OCTOBER 25 ANOTHER 159 COWS AND 2 MORE BULLS WERE ADDED. THE 260 COWS, 21 YEARLINGS AND 5 BULLS WERE ON THE PASTURE UNTIL JANUARY 29, 2022.

Prior to the CRP contracts of 2000, the ranch was in wheat when the current owners purchased it in 1999. The PLC yield is 46.

As an investment property the current owners have been happy with the income generated from CRP and then grazing. Their goal was always to not overgraze, one could anticipate with proper pasture rotation the ranch could accommodate more livestock than previously carried.

The ranch provides 7 water sources along with roughly 4 MILES OF LITTLE MUDDY CREEK FLOWING THROUGH. A BREAKDOWN of the 7 water improvements are as follows:

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STATE OF MONTANA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

1424 9TH AVENUE P.O.BOX 201601 HELENA, MONTANA 59620-1601

GENERAL ABSTRACT

Water Right Number:

41QJ 210089-00 STATEMENT OF CLAIM

Version: 3 -- POST DECREE

Version Status: ACTIVE

DUROCHER, ROBERT E & COLLEEN STEWART TRUST % ROBERT E & COLLEEN STEWART DUROCHER TRUSTEES 400 GORDON RD

VAUGHN, MT 59487-9547

Priority Date: **DECEMBER 31, 1898**

Enforceable Priority Date: DECEMBER 31, 1898

Type of Historical Right: USE

Purpose (use): STOCK

Maximum Flow Rate:

A SPECIFIC FLOW RATE HAS NOT BEEN DECREED BECAUSE THIS USE CONSISTS OF STOOK DRINKING DIRECTLY FROM THE SOURCE, OR FRC DITCH SYSTEM. THE FLOW RATE IS LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM AMOUNT HISTORICALLY NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN THIS PURPOSE.

Maximum 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 Type:

LITTLE MUDDY CREEK SURFACE WATER

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

Otr Sec Sec SESE 23 Govt Lot

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31 Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

S2 24 19N 2 1W CASCADE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

NE 26 19N 1W CASCADE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

NW 30 19N 1E CASCADE

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31 Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

SE 30 19N

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31 Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

N2N2 32 19N

Period of Diversion: JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

CLAIM 41QJ 210089-00 INCLUDES A SMALL ONSTREAM RESERVOIR LOCATED IN THE NESW OF SEC 30, T19N, R1E.

1E CASCADE

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JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31

Period of Use:

Place of Use Acres Govt Lot ID Qtr Sec SESE 23 19N Rge County
1W CASCADE 24 19N 1VV CASCADE CASCADE 1E 1E 1E CASCADE SE N2N2 CASCADE

Geocodes/Valid:

02-2889-23-4-01-01-0000 - Y 02-2889-25-1-01-01-0000 - Y

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02-2890-29-1-01-01-0000 - Y 02-2890-32-1-01-01-0000 - Y

Remarks:

THE POINT OF DIVERSION AND PLACE OF USE WERE AMENDED BY THE WATER COURT PURSUANT TO SECTION 85-2-233(6), MCA

STARTING IN 2008, PERIOD OF DIVERSION WAS ADDED TO MOST CLAIM ABSTRACTS, INCLUDING THIS

NOTICE OF WATER RIGHT TRANSFER RECEIVED 04/08/1999.

OWNERSHIP UPDATE RECEIVED

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE DOR # 131066 RECEIVED 04/03/2015.

OWNERSHIP UPDATE TYPE DOR # 233406 RECEIVED 04/23/2021

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1W CASCADE

02-2890-32-1-01-01-0000 - Y

SOURCE.

LITTLE MUDDY CREEK Source Name:

> SURFACE WATER Source Type:

Point of Diversion and Means of Diversion:

ID Govt Lot
 Qtr Sec
 Sec
 Twp
 Rge
 County

 S2SW
 29
 19N
 1E
 CASCADE

Period of Diversion: SEPTEMBER 1 TO FEBRUARY 1

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE NW 30 19N 1F CASCADE

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Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

SE 30 19N 1E CASCADE

Period of Diversion: SEPTEMBER 1 TO FEBRUARY 1 Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

N2 32 19N 1E CASCADE

Period of Diversion: SEPTEMBER 1 TO FEBRUARY 1

Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

5 SESE 23 19N

Period of Diversion: SEPTEMBER 1 TO FEBRUARY 1 Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

6 S2 24 19N

Period of Diversion: SEPTEMBER 1 TO FEBRUARY 1 Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE

NF 26 19N 1W CASCADE

Period of Diversion: SEPTEMBER 1 TO FEBRUARY 1
Diversion Means: LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE Period of Use: SEPTEMBER 1 to FEBRUARY 1

Place of Use:

<u>ID</u>	Acres	Govt Lot	Qtr Sec	Sec	Twp	Rge	County
1			S2SW	29	19N	1E	CASCADE
2			NW	30	19N	1E	CASCADE
3			SE	30	19N	1E	CASCADE
4			N2	32	19N	1E	CASCADE
5			SESE	23	19N	1W	CASCADE
6			S2	24	19N	1W	CASCADE

Remarks

Acres Govt Lot Otr Sec Sec NE 26 Rge County
1W CASCADE

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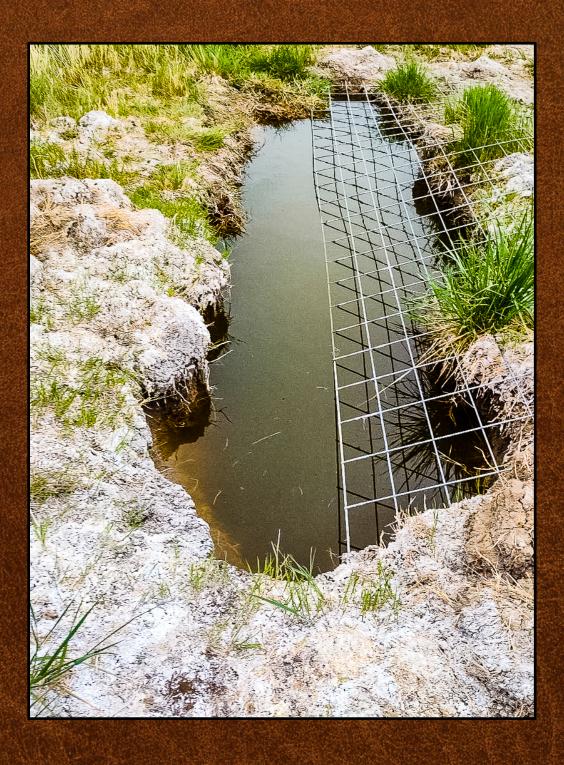
SOURCE #2: ARTESIAN WELL

COMING INTO THE RANCH FROM THE OLD ULM-CASCADE ROAD TRAVEL PAST CORRALS, CONTINUE STRAIGHT AND THE WELL AND FOUR TANKS ARE ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ROAD.



SOURCE #3: DEVELOPED SPRING

CONTINUE GOING STRAIGHT PAST ARTESIAN WELL TOWARD SUN RIVER-CASCADE ROAD. THE SPRING AND 2 TANKS ARE OFF TO THE LEFT ABOUT ½ MILE BEFORE YOU REACH SUN RIVER-CASCADE ROAD. CURRENTLY THE WATER IS MANUALLY PUMPED IN AS CATTLE NEED IT BUT IT CAN BE EASILY IMPROVED WITH A SOLAR PUMP.



SOURCE #4. DEVELOPED SPRING WITH SOLAR PUMP

COMING IN FROM OLD ULM-CASCADE ROAD GO PAST THE CORRALS AND TRAVEL STRAIGHT. TURN RIGHT AT INTERSECTION IN THE ROAD HEADING TOWARD FAIRHAVEN COLONY. OFF TO THE RIGHT WHERE THE LARGE POWER LINES MEET THE ROAD YOU CAN SEE THE SOLAR PANELS. THERE ARE TWO WATER TANKS.



SOURCE #5; YEAR ROUND SPRING

From the solar pump at Source #4 follow the channel east to the lone tree. The source of the spring is just beyond the tree.







SOURCE #6 FAIRHAVEN HUTTERITE COLONY WELL EASEMENT

CONTINUING FROM SOURCE #5 FOLLOW THE ROAD TOWARDS THE PROPERTY BOUNDARY WITH FAIRHAVEN COLONY. JUST INSIDE THE PROPERTY BOUNDARY, OFF TO THE RIGHT, YOU WILL SEE 3 TANKS. THE SOLAR PANELS ARE DIRECTLY ACROSS THE FENCE ON FAIRHAVEN PROPERTY. SURVEYS PUT THE WELL ACROSS THE FENCE ON COLONY PROPERTY. THERE IS AN EASEMENT TO USE THE WELL.





SOURCE #7 DEVELOPED SPRING RUNNING INTO POND

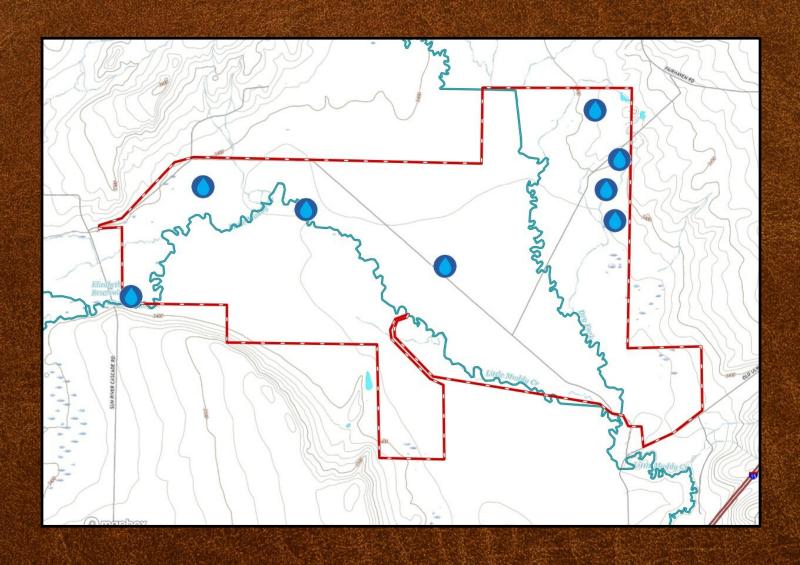
FROM THE PROPERTY BOUNDARY WITH FAIRHAVEN COLONY TRAVEL TOWARDS THE SOUTH, GO PAST THE NEIGHBORING WELL TANKS ON YOUR LEFT, TURN RIGHT JUST BEFORE THE POWER POLES AND START PARALLELING THE ROAD. THERE IS A TRAIL THROUGH THE ROCKY, HILLY "BADLANDS" AREA. PAST THE ROCKY AREA YOU WILL DROP DOWN INTO A GRASSY AREA, YOU CAN SEE THE NEIGHBORING BUILDINGS ACROSS THE FENCE.







THE MAP BELOW OUTLINES THE LOCATIONS OF THE IMPROVED WATER SOURCES







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