

Township 2 South, Range 35 East

<u>File No.</u>	<u>Name of Owner</u>	<u>Name of Operator</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Third</u>	<u>Returned</u>
652	Deines, Fred	Deines, Alex	2/21/46	3/7/46		3/15/46
831	Huber, Karl E. & Orchowski, Theresa	Orchowski, Dan	2/21/46	3/8/46	3/21/46	
832	Indian		Not Sent			
655	Pitsch, Pete	Pitsch, Dave	2/21/46	3/8/46	3/21/46	4/3/46
833	Tomlinson, J. J.	Pitsch, Dave	2/21/46	3/8/46	3/21/46	4/3/46

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31 A	Pitsch, Pete	Pitsch, Dave
31 C	Tomlinson, J. J.	Pitsch, Dave

(U.S.A. Township 25-40E)

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REPORTER IM 3-49 17378

STATE OF MONTANA
State Engineer's Office
WATER RESOURCES SURVEY

Township 2 S Range 35 E County Big Horn

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Township _____ Range _____



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Form WR-1-10M 8-36

STATE OF MONTANA
STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

Code No. 29A, 30A ☒

County Big Horn

T. 2 N. R. 35 E.

Name of Land Owner Deines, Fred Address Crow Agency, Montana

Name of Operator Deines, Alex Address Crow Agency, Montana

Part A

TO BE FILED BY THOSE OBTAINING IRRIGATION WATER FROM
A DITCH COMPANY OR IRRIGATION DISTRICT

1. Water is delivered by: Agency Canal of the Crow Irrigation Project
Name of Ditch, Ditch Company or District supplying water
2. State the number of acres you irrigate under this system. None Shares you hold 167.5
3. If you obtain water from more than one Company, give the number of shares, acres irrigated and the name of the Company under "Remarks." If you obtain water from a Ditch Company and also have a private system fill in both Part A and Part B.

Part B

TO BE FILED BY THOSE WHO HAVE A PRIVATE DITCH, PUMP OR IRRIGATION SYSTEM
or those who have a private water right under a Ditch Company

4. In what year was this land first irrigated? Date
5. Give the name of the original appropriator (first user):
6. Give the date appropriated. Amount filed on: Miners Inches C. F. S.
7. State the total number of acres irrigated under this system:
8. Give the point of diversion: 1/4 1/4 Section Township Range

Part C

TO BE FILED BY ALL WATER USERS IN ADDITION TO PART A OR PART B

9. Source of Water: Little Big Horn River
Name of stream or lake from which water is originally diverted
10. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity ☒ Pumping Other
11. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? Date
12. How many acres did you irrigate in 1945? (Crop and pasture) 35 see line #2
13. State the total number of additional acres that could be irrigated by increasing the water supply, land leveling, etc. 3.3 This land is under what ditch? Agency Canal
14. How many acres of seeped land do you have which could be drained and put into production?
15. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good
16. Is your water supply adequate? Yes ☒ No Explain
17. REMARKS:

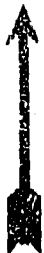
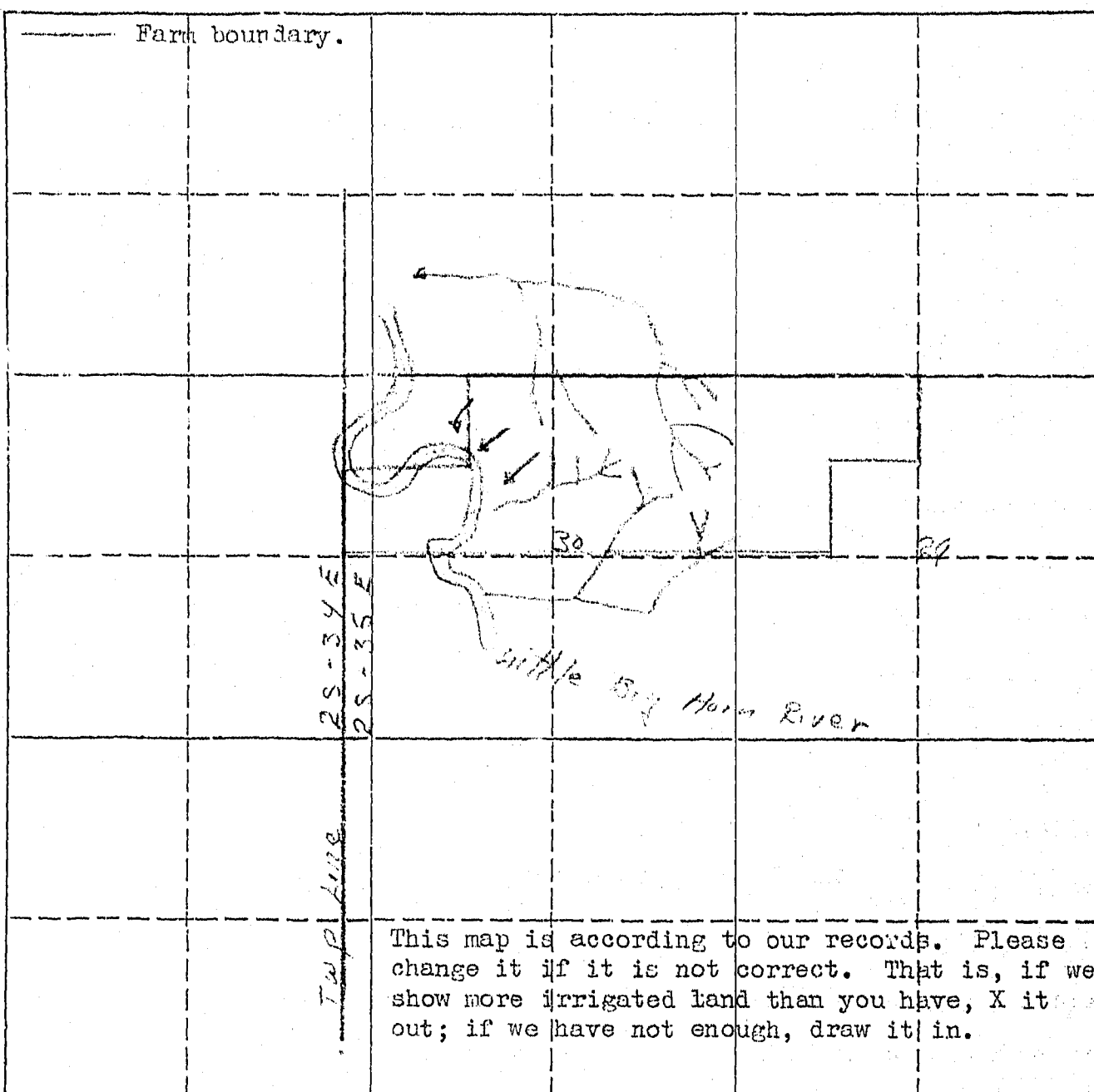
OVER

NOTE: The foregoing questions apply only to irrigated land shown on this plat.

DESCRIPTION AND MAP OF FARM

18. Legal Description of this Farm. W¹/₄NW¹/₄, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, Sec. 29; S¹/₄N¹/₄, S¹/₄NW¹/₄, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, NE¹/₄, Sec. 30;

Twp. 2 S., Rge. 35 E.

	IRRIGATED LAND	NON-IRRIGATED LAND
<p>NORTH</p> 	<p>— Farm boundary.</p>	
		
	<p>This map is according to our records. Please change it if it is not correct. That is, if we show more irrigated land than you have, X it out; if we have not enough, draw it in.</p>	

19. If the above land is irrigated from more than one ditch please give the acreage under each ditch in 19A and indicate the location of the land irrigated from each on the above map.

19A. Ditch: _____ Acres: 0

Ditch: _____ Acres: _____

Information supplied by:

Name Leo Peters Address Crow Agency, Montana Date March 13, 1946

REMARKS: _____

If you cannot answer all of the questions on this form answer as many as you can and return the form to us as soon as possible.

STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

COUNTY Bio Horn

FILE NO. 652

Owner Peines, Fred Address Grand Agency, Mont.

AAA Owner Address

Operator Peines, Fred Address Grand Agency, Mont.

New Owner Address

New Operator Address

Assessment Record

USID
Assessed Acreage 0.0

Legal Description of This Farm S¹/₄ N¹/₄ S¹/₄ NE¹/₄ Sec. 30

W¹/₄ N¹/₄ NE¹/₄ Sec. 29 - 250 - 35E

Total Acres in Farm 6.6

Code Number 29A 30A

Photo No. 242-28

AAA Contract No. 30

AAA Total Cropland Acreage 156

App. No. 1626

Decree No.

Land is located in

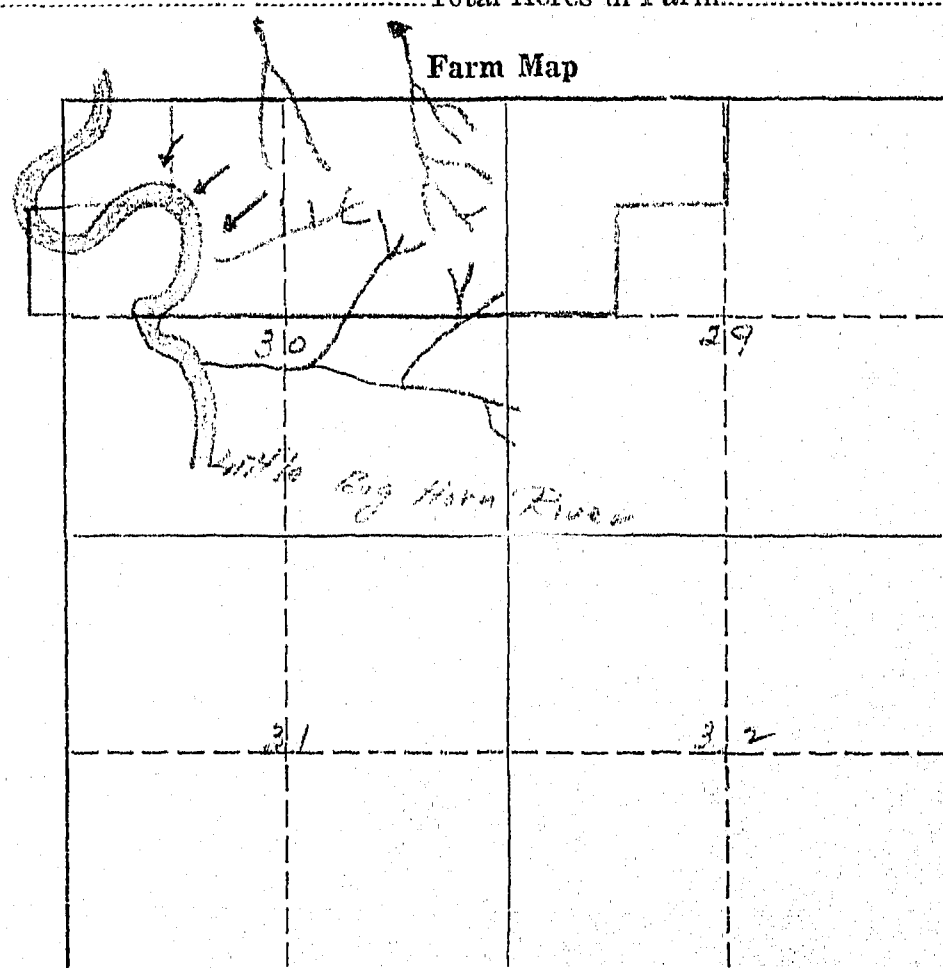
Twp. 25 Rge. 35E Twp. Rge.

Twp. Rge. Twp. Rge.

Filed in Twp. 25 Rge. 35E

Remarks

Farm Map



Appropriation:

According to our records the following notice of appropriation was filed on and covers your land.

On August 26, 1915, the United States, through Evan W. Estep, Supt. and Special Disbursing Officer for the Crow Reservation, filed for 166.6 cubic feet per second from Little Big Horn River, recorded in Miscellaneous Records, Book 1, Page 231, Big Horn County; (162 C)

Is this appropriation now in use? If it is not, mark it "No", and if it is, mark it "Yes".

February 21, 1946

Mr. Alex Deines
Box 382
Crow Agency, Montana

Dear Mr. Deines:

SPECIAL NOTICE TO OPERATOR OF THE INDIAN LAND SHOWN ON THE ENCLOSED FORMS
AS it is possible that you also operate other lands than those shown on our map, we are interested in the amount of land that you have irrigated only on the land that we have mapped, and not other lands that you may operate under different ownership. The reason for this is that, if lands have white owners, we contact them directly.

W.P. 3116
No. _____

A Study of Montana's Water Resources

Form WR-4

Record of a Farm under A.A.A. Program Having Irrigated Land

A.A.A. Contract No. 30 County Big Horn Twp. 2S Rng. 35E

Name of Owner Daines, Fred Address Crow Agency Mont

Name of Operator Samu Address _____

Total Number of Acres in Farm 472.15 Number of Acres Irrigated in 1940 0

Outline on the plat below in red pencil the boundaries of the farm unit.
If possible, show in blue pencil the location of the irrigated land. The
section number (s) should be clearly indicated. Obtain the legal descrip-
tion from county ownership records and correct boundaries if necessary.

Legal Description 1/2 Fract Sec 30, NE NW, WNW Sect 29 2S 35E

19	20	21	
A	A		
30	29	28	
31	32	33	

56.34
55.91
360
472.15

Sec 25-28-34E
Farm
Contract

Irr. Land
all in other Twp.



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Form WR-1-10M 8-10

STATE OF MONTANA
STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

Code No. 19A - 20A

County Big Horn

T. 2 So. R. 35 E.

Name of Land Owner Huber, Karl E. & Orchowski, Theresa Address Crow Agency, Montana
Name of Operator Orchowski, Dan Address " " "

Part A**TO BE FILED BY THOSE OBTAINING IRRIGATION WATER FROM
A DITCH COMPANY OR IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

1. Water is delivered by: Big Horn Canal (U.S.I.D.)
Name of Ditch, Ditch Company or District supplying water
2. State the number of acres you irrigate under this system. 26.5 Shares you hold
3. If you obtain water from more than one Company, give the number of shares, acres irrigated and the name of the Company under "Remarks." If you obtain water from a Ditch Company and also have a private system fill in both Part A and Part B.

Part B**TO BE FILED BY THOSE WHO HAVE A PRIVATE DITCH, PUMP OR IRRIGATION SYSTEM
or those who have a private water right under a Ditch Company**

4. In what year was this land first irrigated? Date
5. Give the name of the original appropriator (first user):
6. Give the date appropriated. Amount filed on: Miners Inches C. F. S.
7. State the total number of acres irrigated under this system:
8. Give the point of diversion: $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ Section Township Range

Part C**TO BE FILED BY ALL WATER USERS IN ADDITION TO PART A OR PART B**


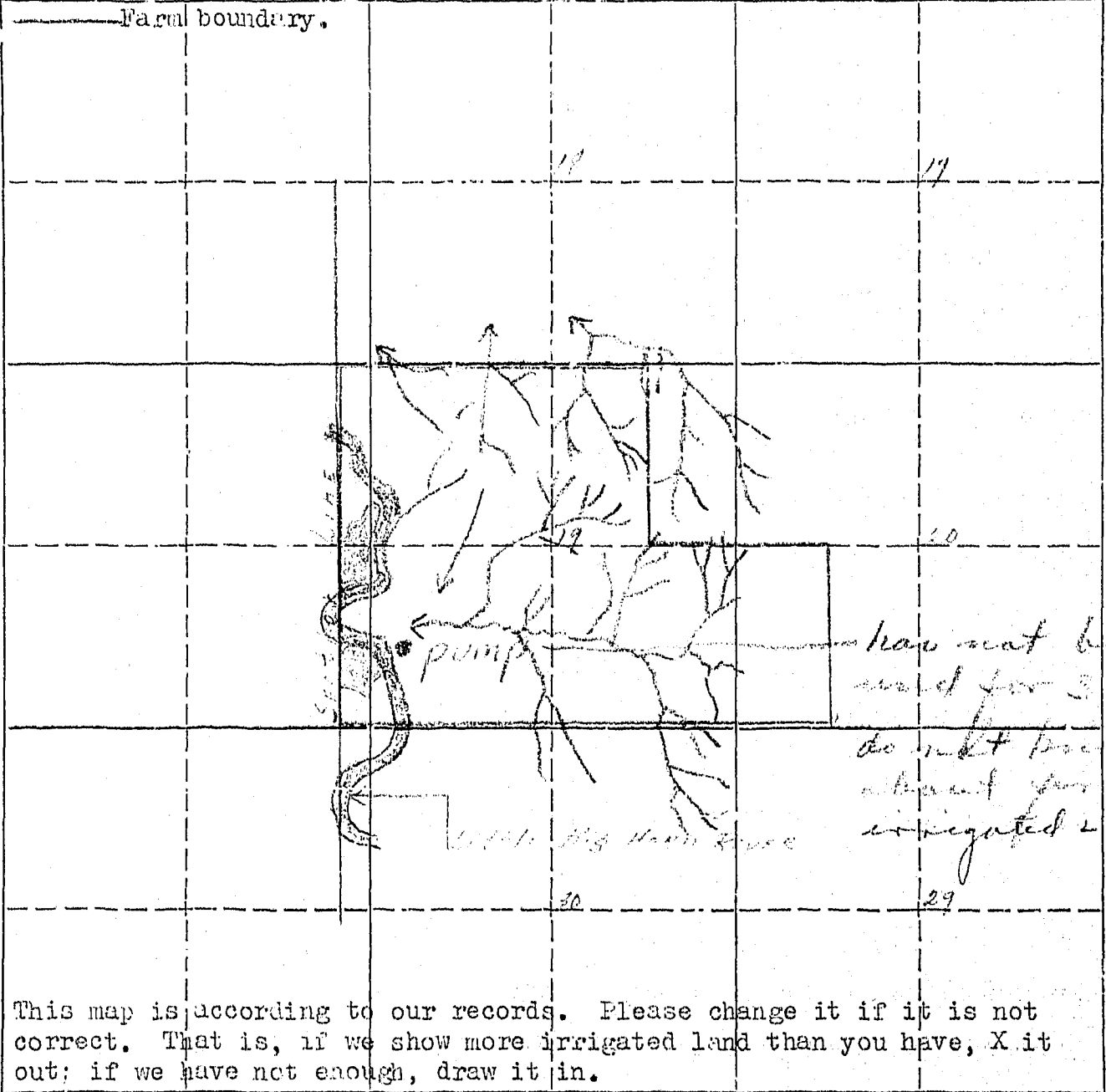
9. Source of Water: Little Big Horn River
Name of stream or lake from which water is originally diverted
10. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity ☒ Pumping ☐ Other
11. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? 50.5 Date 1941
12. How many acres did you irrigate in 1945? (Crop and pasture) 26.5
13. State the total number of additional acres that could be irrigated by increasing the water supply, land leveling, etc. 2.4 This land is under what ditch? By Pumping
14. How many acres of seeped land do you have which could be drained and put into production?
15. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good
16. Is your water supply adequate? Yes ☒ No Explain
17. REMARKS: Private pump from Little Big Horn River has brought 24 acres into production

OVER

NOTE: The foregoing questions apply only to irrigated land shown on this plat

DESCRIPTION AND MAP OF FARM

18. Legal Description of this Farm W¹/₂ Sec. 19, W¹/₂ Sec. 20, Twp. 2 S., Rge. 35 E.

	IRRIGATED LAND	NON-IRRIGATED LAND
<p>NORTH</p> 	<p>_____ Farm boundary.</p>	
		
	<p>_____</p>	
	<p>_____</p>	
	<p>_____</p>	
	<p>_____</p>	

This map is according to our records. Please change it if it is not correct. That is, if we show more irrigated land than you have, X it out; if we have not enough, draw it in.

have not been used for 3 years do not know about it one irrigated 24 acres

19. If the above land is irrigated from more than one ditch please give the acreage under each ditch in 19A and indicate the location of the land irrigated from each on the above map.

19A. Ditch: Agency Canal Acres: 24.1

Ditch: _____ Acres: _____

Information supplied by:

Name Field Clerk Address _____ Date Oct-6-45

REMARKS: Blank

If you cannot answer all of the questions on this form answer as many as you can and return the form to us as soon as possible.

STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

COUNTY Big Horn

FILE NO. 831

Owner Robert L. & Lucinda Thompson Address Big Horn, Mont.

AAA Owner _____ Address _____

Operator Thompson, Dan Address _____

New Owner _____ Address _____

New Operator _____ Address _____

Assessment Record Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, E 1/4, W 1/4, SE 1/4 Sec. 19 - T 50 - R 56

Assessed Acreage 18.0

Legal Description of This Farm W 1/4, SE 1/4, W 1/4, SE 1/4 Sec. 19 - T 50 - R 56

Total Acres in Farm 600

Code Number 1711-20A

Photo No. 342-40

AAA Contract No. 4013

AAA Total Cropland Acreage 26.5

App. No. 1670

Decree No. _____

Land is located in

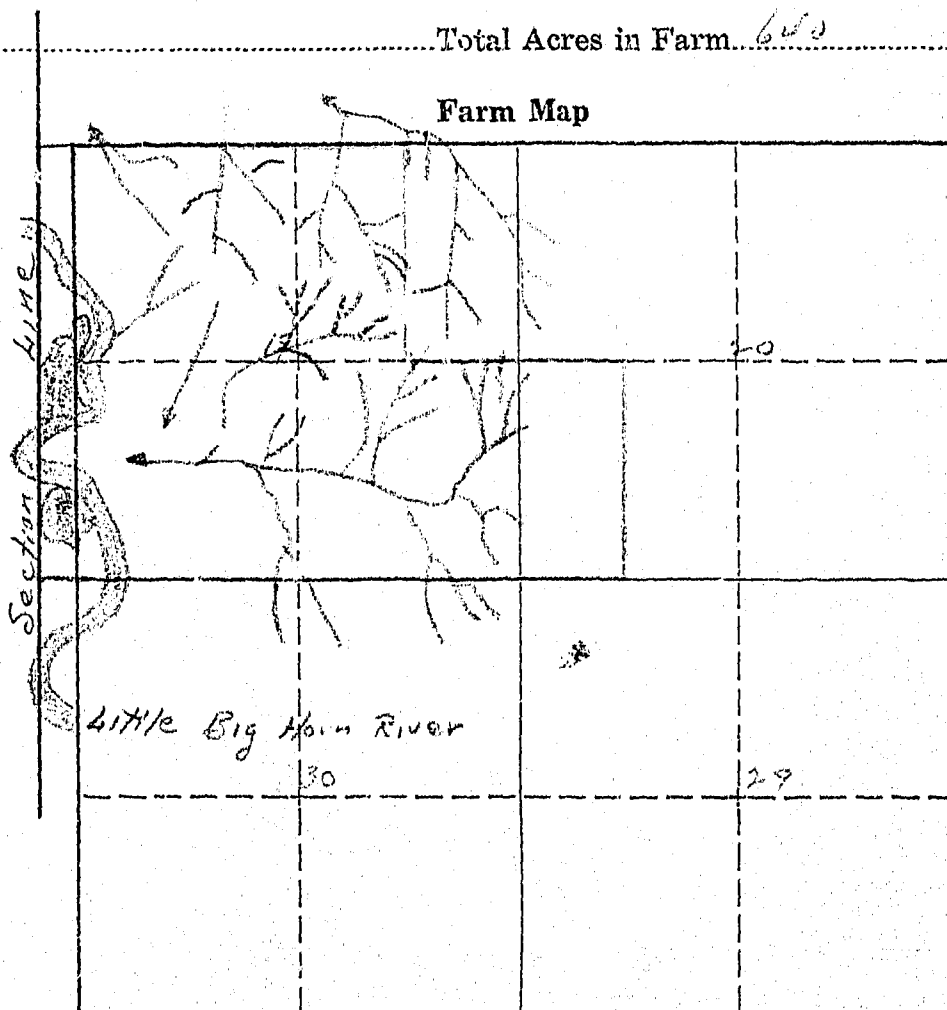
Twp. 30 Rge. 35E Twp. _____ Rge. _____

Twp. _____ Rge. _____ Twp. _____ Rge. _____

Filed in Twp. 30 Rge. 35E

Remarks See to report

Farm Map



Appropriation:

According to our records the following notice of appropriation was filed on
and covers your land.

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Disbursing Officer for the Crow Indian Reservation, filed for 166.6 cubic feet
per second from Little Big Horn River, recorded in Miscellaneous Records, Book
1, Page 231, Big Horn County. (162 C)

Is this appropriation now in use? If it is not, mark it "No", and if it is,
mark it "Yes."

February 21, 1946

Dan Orchowski
Crow Agency, Montana

Dear Mr. Orchowski:

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Appropriation:

According to our records the following notice of appropriation was filed on
and covers your land.

On August 26, 1915, the United States, through Evan W. Estep, Supt. and Special
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per second from Little Big Horn River, recorded in Miscellaneous Records, Book
1, Page 231, Big Horn County; (162 C)

Is this appropriation now in use? If it is not, mark it "No", and if it is,
mark it "Yes".

March 8, 1946

Mr. Dan Orchowski
Crow Agency, Montana

Dear Mr. Orchowski:

On February 21, 1946, this office sent you forms and a letter asking for information pertaining to your irrigated land in Big Horn County.

To date we have not heard from you. With the vast water development program now being planned on the Big Horn River by federal agencies, it is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of our water use and our water rights in the Big Horn Basin in Montana. This information is necessary and vital if we are to protect our present water users and the rights they have against future irrigation, navigation, power, and flood control enterprises in this area. We are asking you for this information because we feel it is the democratic way. We also feel that you are more qualified to give us this information about your irrigated land than anyone else because it is part of your business. It may be that you were busy with your farm work, or some unforeseen thing happened at the time our first letter was received and you put it aside to be answered at some other time and have forgotten all about it. All information received by us is strictly confidential, and is only used to record and tabulate the water use in the Big Horn area.

Water is as necessary to the farmer as the soil in which he plants. Without it no crops will grow - no living thing can survive. It is your water that we are trying to protect so that you will have plenty now and in the future. We must keep Montana's water in Montana. The only way we can do this is by having the support of each and every water user so that we have 100% representation of all water users. Remember - "United we stand, divided we fall."

In order to facilitate this work, a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in Billings and is located in the Roosevelt School Building on Twenty-third Street and Fourth Avenue, North. Any time you are in Billings, we will appreciate your calling on us.

Hoping to hear from you in the very near future, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Asst State Engineer

GJO:pw

P.S. If you cannot supply us with the information requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can.

March 21, 1946

Dan Orchowski
Crow Agency, Montana

Dear Mr. Orchowski:

On February 21, 1946 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Big Horn County. On March 8, 1946 we sent you another letter asking you to submit the information we had requested to us as soon as possible. To date we have not heard from you regarding this matter.

"It is hereby declared to be a policy of the state and necessary for the welfare of the state and its citizens, that the waters of this state, and especially interstate streams arising out of this state, be investigated. The State Engineer shall, either before or after the bringing of such actions (to adjudicate the waters of any stream and its tributaries in any county traversed by said stream), upon the direction of the State Water Conservation Board, or upon the directions of the court, do all things, make all surveys, and perform all services required by said board in the securing of all necessary information and make the same available to said board or others who may be interested therein, including the courts of this state."

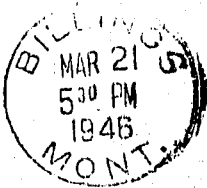
In order to protect the water rights of the water users in this state, it is mandatory that the State Engineer have the information that we have asked you to submit to this office. If you have sold the piece of land about which we wrote you, will you please give us the name and address of the new owner.

We expect to hear from you in the very near future.

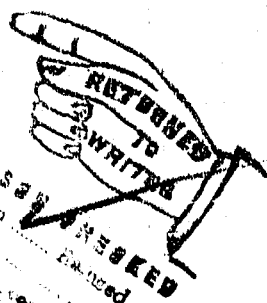
Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't State Engineer

GJC:rm



APR -2 1946



NOT P. M. D. 2
NO ORDER

Reason Requested
Undelivered
Unknown
For better delivery
Moved, but no address
No such office in state.

Mr. Dan Orchowaki

Crow Agency, Montana

General Delivery
Billings

FORM SM-1

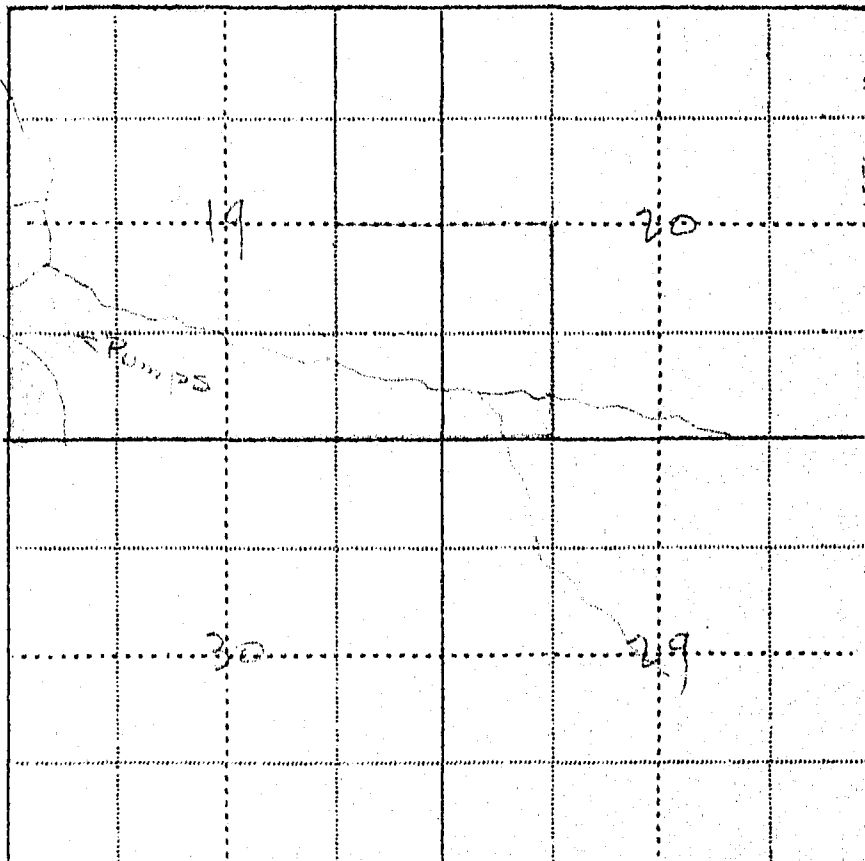
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Big Horn Source of Information 900 #4013 Photo 242-39

1. Water User Thompson, Richard Address _____
2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Agency Canal + Private Pump from C.B. Hill
5. Type of Irrigation _____
6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 50 Private - Agency 30 Private 20
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System _____
12. Land Description _____, T 25, R 35E

Remarks:

No detail on Control



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____



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Form WR-1-10M 8-45

STATE OF MONTANA
STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

Code No. 302 311

County Big Horn

T. 2 So. R. 35 E.

Name of Land Owner Indian Address

Name of Operator Address

Part A**TO BE FILED BY THOSE OBTAINING IRRIGATION WATER FROM
A DITCH COMPANY OR IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

1. Water is delivered by: Big Horn River
Name of Ditch, Ditch Company or District supplying water
2. State the number of acres you irrigate under this system 2 Shares you hold 1
3. If you obtain water from more than one Company, give the number of shares, acres irrigated and the name of the Company under "Remarks." If you obtain water from a Ditch Company and also have a private system fill in both Part A and Part B.

Part B**TO BE FILED BY THOSE WHO HAVE A PRIVATE DITCH, PUMP OR IRRIGATION SYSTEM
or those who have a private water right under a Ditch Company**

4. In what year was this land first irrigated? Date
5. Give the name of the original appropriator (first user):
6. Give the date appropriated Amount filed on: Miners Inches C. F. S.
7. State the total number of acres irrigated under this system:
8. Give the point of diversion: 1/4 Section Township Range

Part C**TO BE FILED BY ALL WATER USERS IN ADDITION TO PART A OR PART B**

9. Source of Water: Big Horn River
Name of stream or lake from which water is originally diverted
10. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity ☒ Pumping ☐ Other ☐
11. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? Date
12. How many acres did you irrigate in 1945? (Crop and pasture)
13. State the total number of additional acres that could be irrigated by increasing the water supply, land leveling, etc. 5.6 This land is under what ditch? Big Horn
14. How many acres of seeped land do you have which could be drained and put into production?
15. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good
16. Is your water supply adequate? Yes ☒ No ☐ Explain
17. REMARKS:

OVER

On August 25, 1915, Evan W. Estep, appropriated 166.6 cubic feet per second from Little Big Horn River. The notice was filed August 26, 1915, in Book 1, Page 231 of Misc. Records in the Big Horn County Courthouse,

A previous appropriation was made in June, 1893.

STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

COUNTY Big Horn

FILE NO. 832

Owner Indian Address.....

AAA Owner..... Address.....

Operator..... Address.....

New Owner..... Address.....

New Operator..... Address.....

Assessment Record.....

USD
Assessed Acreage 8.6

Legal Description of This Farm lot 1, S², Sec. 30 - 2S² - 35E

lot 4, Sec. 31 - 2S² - 35E

Total Acres in Farm 367

Code Number 30B - 31D

Photo No. 2112-38

AAA Contract No. 1

AAA Total Cropland Acreage 2

App. No. 162.0

Decree No.

Land is located in

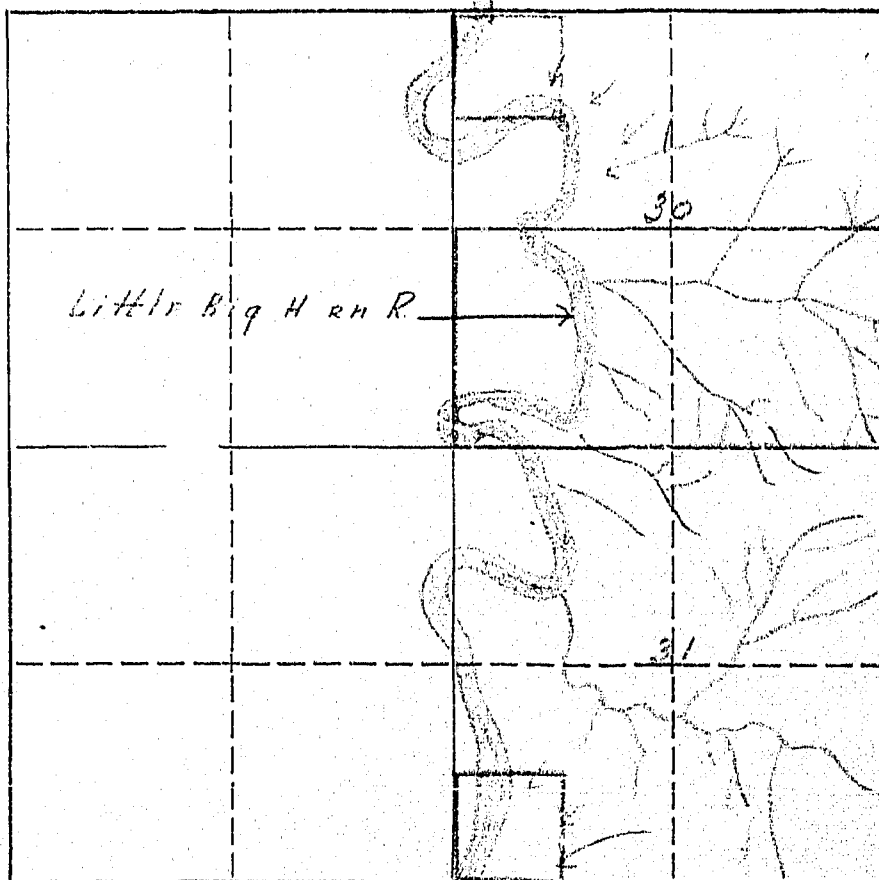
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Twp. Rge. Twp. Rge.

Filed in Twp. Rge.

Remarks.....

Farm Map





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Form WR-1-10-71 8-45

STATE OF MONTANA
STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

Code No. 31 A

County Big Horn

T. 2 S. R. 35 E.

Name of Land Owner Pete Pitsch Address Garryowen, Montana

Name of Operator Dave Pitsch Address Garryowen, Montana

Part A

TO BE FILED BY THOSE OBTAINING IRRIGATION WATER FROM
A DITCH COMPANY OR IRRIGATION DISTRICT

1. Water is delivered by: Agency Canal
Name of Ditch, Ditch Company or District supplying water
2. State the number of acres you irrigate under this system 0 Shares you hold 0
3. If you obtain water from more than one Company, give the number of shares, acres irrigated and the name of the Company under "Remarks." If you obtain water from a Ditch Company and also have a private system fill in both Part A and Part B.

Part B

TO BE FILED BY THOSE WHO HAVE A PRIVATE DITCH, PUMP OR IRRIGATION SYSTEM
or those who have a private water right under a Ditch Company

4. In what year was this land first irrigated? Date
5. Give the name of the original appropriator (first user):
6. Give the date appropriated Amount filed on: Miners Inches C. F. S.
7. State the total number of acres irrigated under this system:
8. Give the point of diversion: $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ Section Township Range

Part C

TO BE FILED BY ALL WATER USERS IN ADDITION TO PART A OR PART B

9. Source of Water: Little Big Horn River
Name of stream or lake from which water is originally diverted
10. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity ☒ Pumping Other
11. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? 15 A Date 1935
12. How many acres did you irrigate in 1945? (Crop and pasture)
13. State the total number of additional acres that could be irrigated by increasing the water supply, land leveling, etc. 32.6 This land is under what ditch? Agency Canal
14. How many acres of seeped land do you have which could be drained and put into production?
15. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good
16. Is your water supply adequate? Yes ☒ No Explain
17. REMARKS:

OVER

DESCRIPTION AND MAP OF FARM

18. Legal Description of this Farm.....N. 1/2, Sec. 31 - Twp. 2 S., Rge. 35 E.

IRRIGATED LAND

NON-IRRIGATED LAND

Farm boundary.

NORTH

Top Line

31

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This map is according to our records. Please change it if it is not correct. That is, if we show more irrigated land than you have, X it out; if we have not enough, draw it in.

19. If the above land is irrigated from more than one ditch please give the acreage under each ditch in 19A and indicate the location of the land irrigated from each on the above map.

19A. Ditch: Carney Canal Acres: 0

Ditch: _____ Acres: _____

Information supplied by:

Name Paul J. Smith Address 1000 N. 1st St. Date 4-2-68

REMARKS: Area not excavated this tract since 1935

If you cannot answer all of the questions on t/ soon as possible.

in answer as many as you can and return the form to us as

Appropriation:

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Is this appropriation now in use? If it is not, mark it "No", and if it is,
mark it "Yes".

Form WR 2 10M 8-46

STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

COUNTY Big Horn

FILE NO. 655

Owner..... Address.....

AAA Owner Pitsch, Pete Address Garryowen, Mont.

Operator Pitsch, Dave Address " "

New Owner..... Address.....

New Operator..... Address.....

Assessment Record N^W 1/4, Sec. 31 2 S^o - 35 E

4310 21.9
Assessed Acreage 15.

Legal Description of This Farm N^W 1/4, Sec. 31 - 2 S^o - 35 E

Total Acres in Farm 160.0

Code Number 31 A

Photo No. 242-39

AAA Contract No. 107

AAA Total Cropland Acreage 140.1

App. No. 162 C

Decree No.

Land is located in

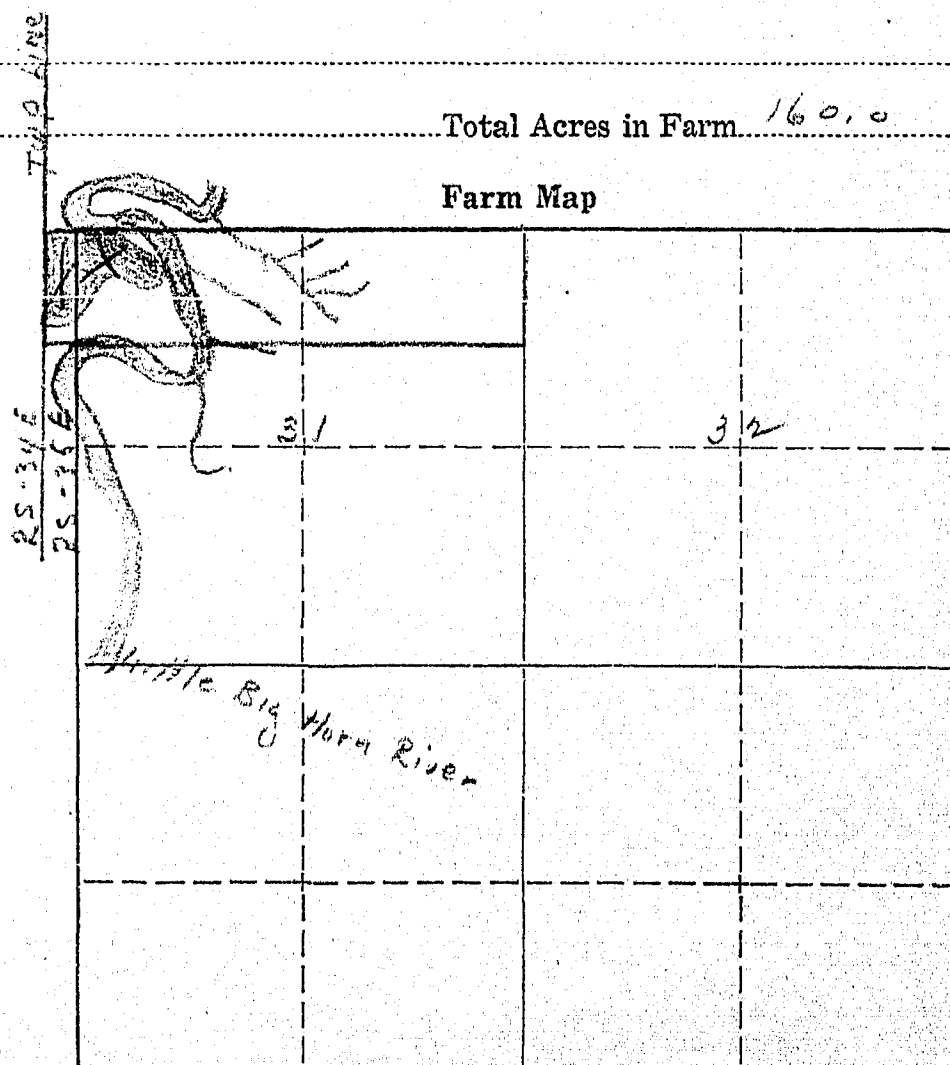
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Twp. Rge. Twp. Rge.

Filed in Twp. 2 S^o Rge. 35 E

Remarks.....

Farm Map



Appropriation:

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Is this appropriation now in use? If it is not, mark it "No", and if it is, mark it "Yes".

March 21, 1946

Mr. Pete Fitsch
Garryowen, Montana

Dear Mr. Fitsch:

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In order to protect the water rights of the water users in this state, it is mandatory that the State Engineer have the information that we have asked you to submit to this office. If you have sold the piece of land about which we wrote you, will you please give us the name and address of the new owner.

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Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't State Engineer

GJO:rm

W.P. 3116
No. _____

A Study of Montana's Water Resources

Form WR-4

Record of a Farm under A.A.A. Program Having Irrigated Land

A.A.A. Contract No. 107 County Big Horn Twp. 23 Rng. 35 E
Name of Owner Townsend, JI Address Grow Agency Mont
Name of Operator Pitche, Dave Address Hardin
Total Number of Acres in Farm 171.96 Number of Acres Irrigated in 1940 15

Outline on the plat below in red pencil the boundaries of the farm unit.
If possible, show in blue pencil the location of the irrigated land. The
section number (s) should be clearly indicated. Obtain the legal descrip-
tion from county ownership records and correct boundaries if necessary.

Legal Description _____

30		29		28	
31		32		33	

Agency



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STATE OF MONTANA
STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

Form WR-1--10M 8-45

Code No. 31 C
County Big Horn
T. 2 S. R. 35 E.

Name of Land Owner Tomlinson, J. J. Address
Name of Operator Pitsch, Dave Address Crow Agency, Montana

Part A

TO BE FILED BY THOSE OBTAINING IRRIGATION WATER FROM
A DITCH COMPANY OR IRRIGATION DISTRICT

1. Water is delivered by: Agency Canal
Name of Ditch, Ditch Company or District supplying water
2. State the number of acres you irrigate under this system 0 Shares you hold 0
3. If you obtain water from more than one Company, give the number of shares, acres irrigated and the name of the Company under "Remarks." If you obtain water from a Ditch Company and also have a private system fill in both Part A and Part B.

Part B

TO BE FILED BY THOSE WHO HAVE A PRIVATE DITCH, PUMP OR IRRIGATION SYSTEM
or those who have a private water right under a Ditch Company

4. In what year was this land first irrigated? Date
5. Give the name of the original appropriator (first user):
6. Give the date appropriated Amount filed on: Miners Inches C. F. S.
7. State the total number of acres irrigated under this system:
8. Give the point of diversion: 1/4 1/4 Section Township Range

Part C

TO BE FILED BY ALL WATER USERS IN ADDITION TO PART A OR PART B

9. Source of Water: Little Big Horn River
Name of stream or lake from which water is originally diverted
10. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity ☒ Pumping Other
11. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? 15 Date 1943
12. How many acres did you irrigate in 1945? (Crop and pasture) 0
13. State the total number of additional acres that could be irrigated by increasing the water supply, land leveling, etc. 170 This land is under what ditch? Agency Canal
14. How many acres of seeped land do you have which could be drained and put into production?
15. What is the condition of your irrigation system?
16. Is your water supply adequate? Yes No Explain
17. REMARKS:

Land too rough would not pay to level
or build ditch higher to reach land

OVER

NOTE: The foregoing questions apply only to irrigated land shown on this plat.

DESCRIPTION AND MAP OF FARM

18. Legal Description of this Farm lot 3 - Sec. 31 - Twp. 2 S., Rge. 35 E.

☒ IRRIGATED LAND ☐ NON-IRRIGATED LAND

Farm boundary.

NORTH

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25324 E
25325 E
25326 E
25327 E
25328 E
25329 E
25330 E
25331 E
25332 E
25333 E
25334 E
25335 E
25336 E
25337 E
25338 E
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25394 E
25395 E
25396 E
25397 E
25398 E
25399 E
25400 E

This map is according to our records. Please change it if it is not correct. That is, if we show more irrigated land than you have, X it out; if we have not enough, draw it in.

19. If the above land is irrigated from more than one ditch please give the acreage under each ditch in 19A and indicate the location of the land irrigated from each on the above map.

19A. Ditch: Agency Acres: 0

Ditch: _____ Acres: _____

Information supplied by:

Name Wm. K. Smith Address Agency, Mont. Date 1/4/6

REMARKS: _____

If you cannot answer all of the questions on this form answer as many as you can and return the form to us as soon as possible.

Appropriation:

According to our records the following notice of appropriation was filed on and covers your land.

On August 26, 1915, the United States, through Evan W. Estep, Supt. and Special Disbursing Officer for the Crow Indian Reservation, filed for 166.6 cubic feet per second from Little Big Horn River, recorded in Miscellaneous Records, Book 1, Page 231, Big Horn County; (162 C)

Is this appropriation now in use? If it is not, mark it "No", and if it is, mark it "Yes".

March 6, 1946

Mr. J. J. Tomlinson
Crow Agency, Montana

Dear Mr. Tomlinson:

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To date we have not heard from you. With the vast water development program now being planned on the Big Horn River by Federal Agencies, it is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of our water use and our water rights in the Big Horn Basin in Montana. This information is necessary and vital if we are to protect our present water users and the rights they have against future irrigation, navigation, power, and flood control enterprises in this area. We are asking you for this information because we feel it is the democratic way. We also feel that you are more qualified to give us this information about your irrigated land than anyone else because it is part of your business. It may be that you were busy with your farm work, or some unforeseen thing happened at the time our first letter was received and you put it aside to be answered at some other time and have forgotten all about it. All information received by us is strictly confidential, and is only used to record and tabulate the water use in the Big Horn area.

Water is as necessary to the farmer as the soil in which he plants. Without it no crops will grow - no living thing can survive. It is your water that we are trying to protect so that you will have plenty now and in the future. We must keep Montana's water in Montana. The only way we can do this is by having the support of each and every water user so that we have 100% representation of all water users. Remember - "United we stand, divided we fall."

In order to facilitate this work, a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in Billings and is located in the Roosevelt School Building on Twenty-third Street and Fourth Avenue, North. Any time you are in Billings, we will appreciate your calling on us.

Hoping to hear from you in the very near future, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't State Engineer

GJO:pw

P.S. If you cannot supply us with the information requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can.

March 21, 1946

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STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

COUNTY Big Horn

FILE NO. 833

Owner..... Address.....

AAA Owner Tomlinson, J.J. Address.....

Operator Pitsch, Dave Address Crow Agency

New Owner..... Address.....

New Operator..... Address.....

Assessment Record.....

USID
Assessed Acreage 15.0

Legal Description of This Farm lot 3 - Sec 31 - 250 - 35 E

Total Acres in Farm 54.4

Code Number 31 C

Photo No. 242-37

AAA Contract No. 7207

AAA Total Cropland Acreage 13.8

App. No. 162 C

Decree No.....

Land is located in

Twp. 250 Rge. 35 E Twp..... Rge.....

Twp..... Rge..... Twp..... Rge.....

Filed in Twp. 250 Rge. 35 E

Remarks.....

Farm Map

