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Notice of Appropriation

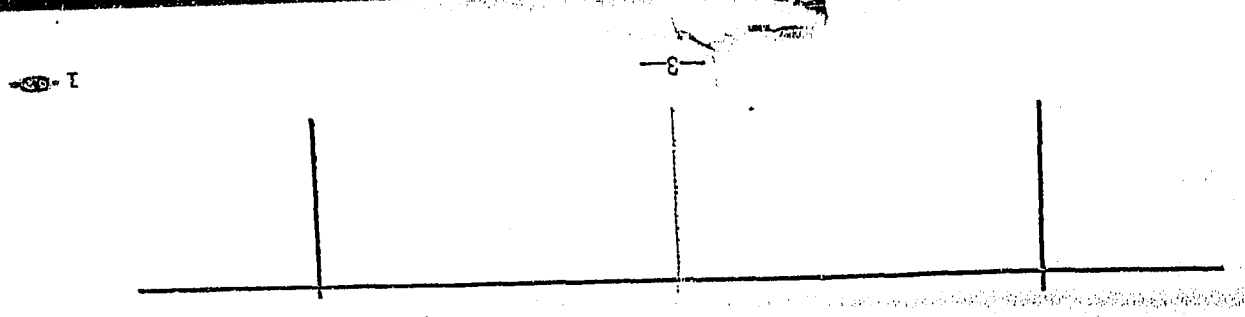
1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 69 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Lucius A Nutting Address Laurel, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated Dec. 20, 1890 Date Filed Dec. 19, 1890

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 250, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Camp Creek Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion About 100 ft. east of center of the east branch of Rocky Fork in N½ sec. 16, 2 S, 24 E & near quarter line between NE¼ & NW¼ of sec 16 then NE along south side of right of way of the N P R.R. to west line of sec. 10, 2 S, 24 E

   Sec. 16 Twp. 2 S Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation, watering stock, domestic & other legal
7. Description of System Dam & ditch 100 inc. by 30 in.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use S½ sec. 10, 2 S 24 E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Appropriated Nov. 19, 1890

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I.



FORM SM-1 4D

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-2335-5082

1. Water User F.N. Barney Address Laurel,

2. ~~Stream~~ Big & High Dr Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 60.5 54.5 = 114.5

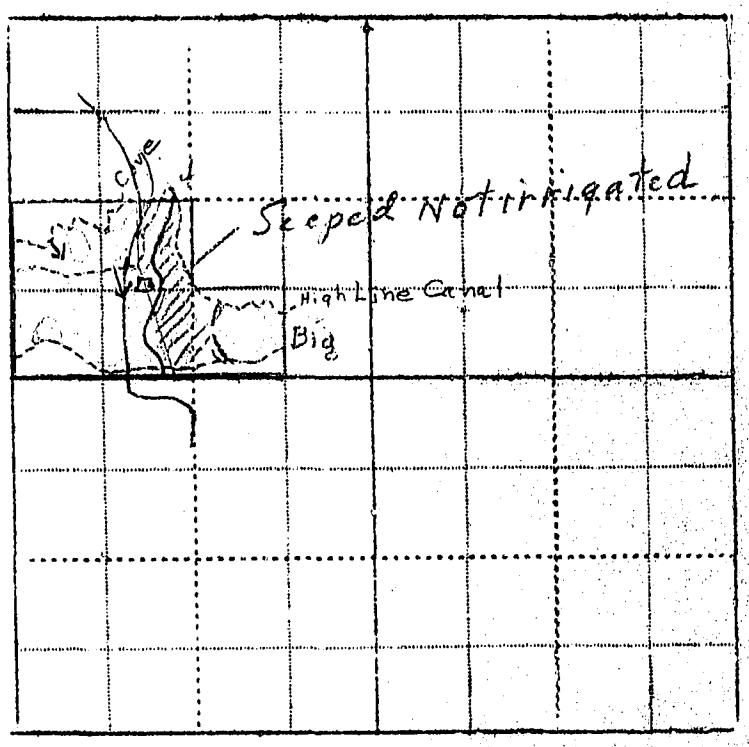
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Sec 4 SW¼ west of road, SW SE¼, E½ SW¼ east of road, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Has 12 Shares under Big 24 under High 35 acres of seeped land



WITNESS: G. J. Cranetz Nov 25 1942 Information by J. C. Kruhle

Place Billings Office

Billings,
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November 20, 1942

Mr. F. N. Barney
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Barney:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already completed their records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state. This agreement, when reached, will vitally effect each and every water user in the Yellowstone Basin.

Much of the information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly from those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. We would like to know if the information we have compiled on the enclosed form of your farm is correct. The irrigated land is shown in blue. We would like to know from what ditches you get your water to irrigate and the number of shares you own in each ditch. We also would like to have you indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch, as well as any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle. To complete our record will you please give us the correct information by writing it under remarks on the enclosed form, and mailing it to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Delay in this matter may mean less water and development of our irrigation resources in the future. Any information you may give us regarding questions numbered 4, 8 and 11 will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User W. O. Baker Address Route 1, Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Old mill ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Old mill ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated ✓

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated ✓

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 40

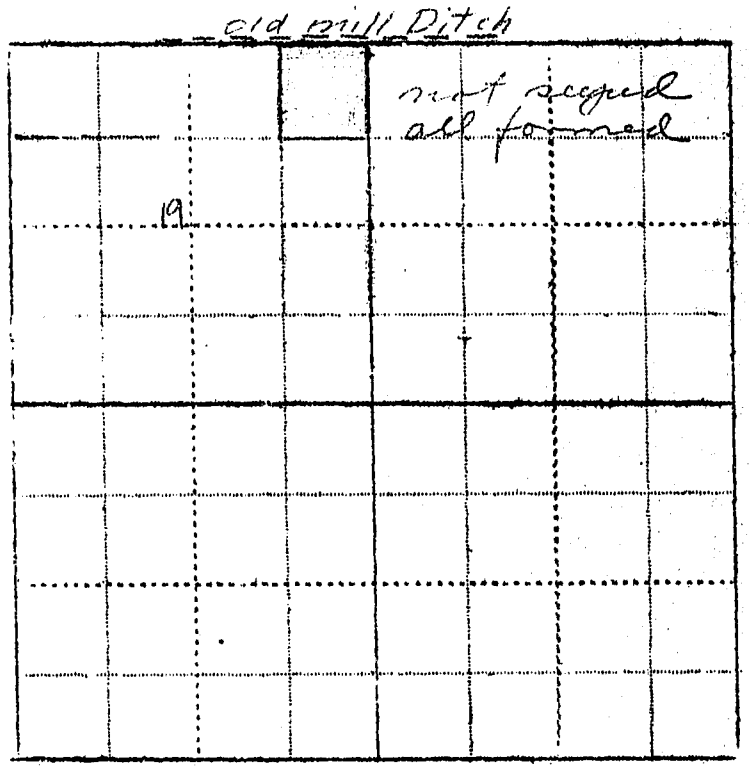
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description NE¼NE¼, Sec. 19, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

8 Adams in old mill ditch all irrigated from the old mill ditch



WITNESS: Letter
S/C.

Information by W. O. Baker

Place Billings Office

Nov. 24, 1942

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 4042

1. Water User W.O. Baker Address Rte 1 - Laurel

2. Stream Old Mill Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 40

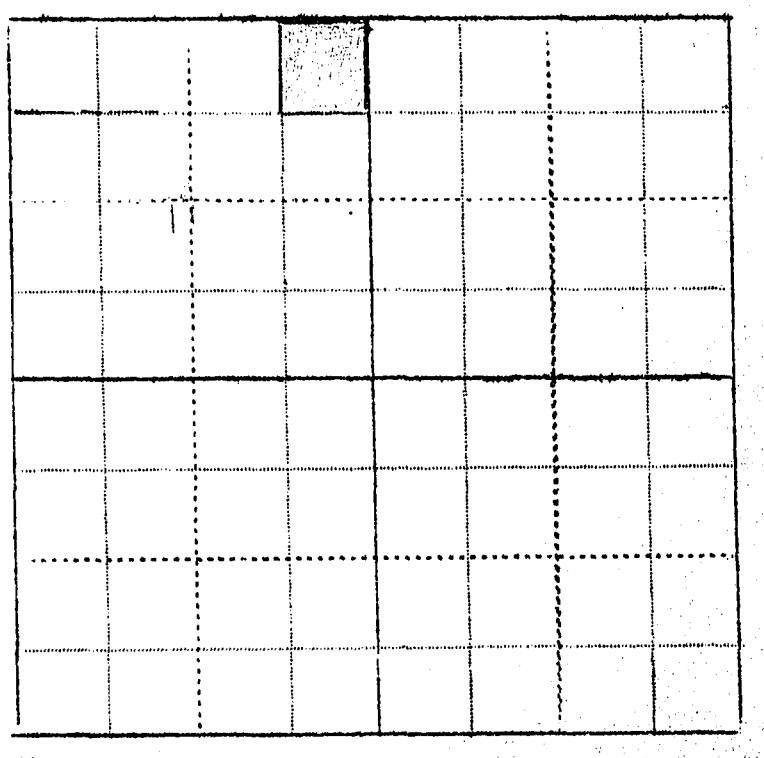
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description NE¼ NE¼ Sec 19, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: _____

8 shares Old Mill



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Bennie and Pearl Behrendsen Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section 21-22 Township 2 S. Range 24

4. Description of System Ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator John Shevlin Address Laurel

7. First Use: Year 1901-2 Acres Irrigated 10 acres

8. Maximum Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 18½ acres

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 14.89 about 18½ acres

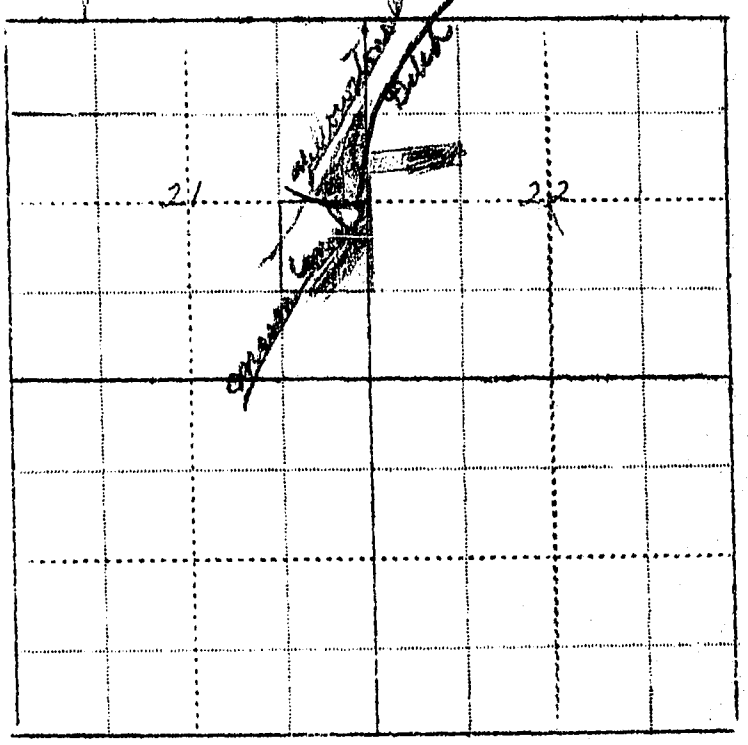
10. Last Use: Year 1942 Why Abandoned In use

11. Condition of System Excellent

12. Land Description Frac. SE¼NE¼, NE¼SE¼, Sec. 21; N½S½SE¼NW¼ Sec. 22 T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Water comes from Clarks Fork River Danford used and started ditch 1899

Pays to Danford irrigation district
$4.56
$4.83
$5.50
for water used
18½ acres irrigated
other is above ditch or dry land
no low unirrigated land



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Ben Behrendsen

Place Laurel Mont

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ditch Co. Ownership & Photo

1. Water User Bonnie & Pearl Behrendsen Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 14.89

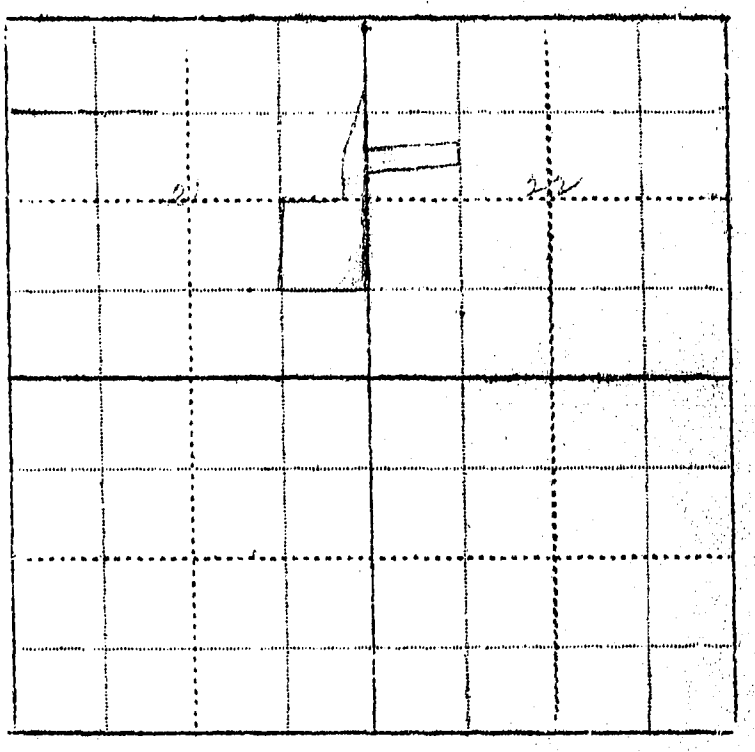
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Frac SE NE¼ NE SE¼ Sec 21, T 2 S, R 24 E.
N½ SE NW¼ Sec 22

Remarks: _____

Pay Danford Irrig. Dist. 4.56
4.83
5.50
14.89 for water used



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
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November 20, 1942

Miss Bonnie Behrendwon
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Behrendson:

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Much of the information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly from those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. We would like to know if the information we have compiled on the enclosed form of your farm is correct. The irrigated area is shown in blue. Our record shows that you irrigate from the Mason Canal and that you pay a total of $14.89. Is all your land irrigated from this ditch? If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate on the enclosed map. If our record is not correct will you please give us the correct information by writing it under remarks on the enclosed form, and mail it to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Delay in this matter may mean less water and development of our irrigation resources in the future. Any information you may give us regarding questions numbered 4, 8 and 11 will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
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FORM SM-1 17 E

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County [illegible] Source of Information Ownership, Photo & L.C.

1. Water User Mrs. Elsie Bergstrom Address 1011- S.K. St. Tacoma Wash

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated 10

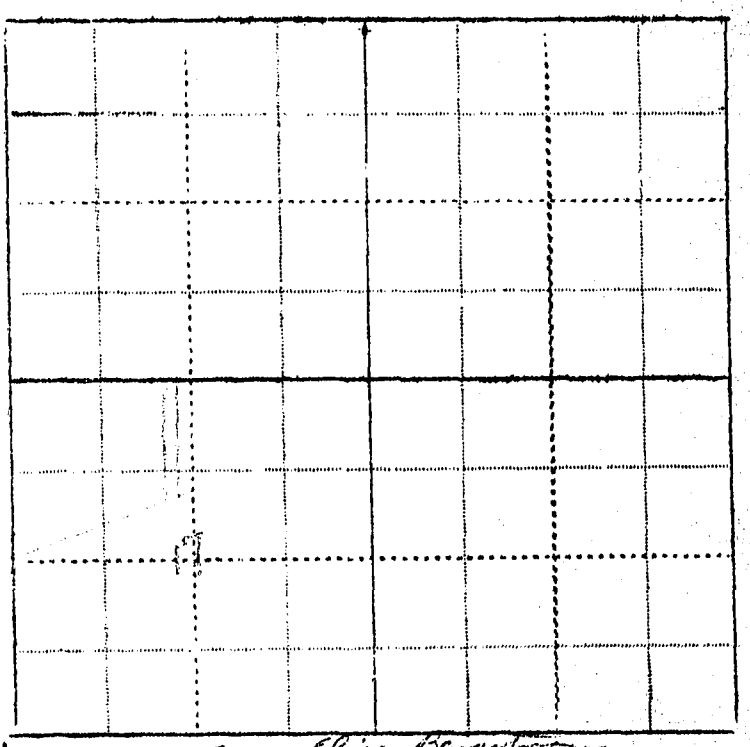
9. Present Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible], Sec 17, T 28, R 24 E

Remarks: Past irrigation has no shares in ditch



WITNESS: [illegible] Information by Mrs Elsie Bergstrom Contact

Place Sawmill

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Tena Berkheimer Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate and laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator E. M. Coombs Address

7. First Use: Year 1912 Acres Irrigated ~

8. Maximum Use: Year 1940 Acres Irrigated 54 ~

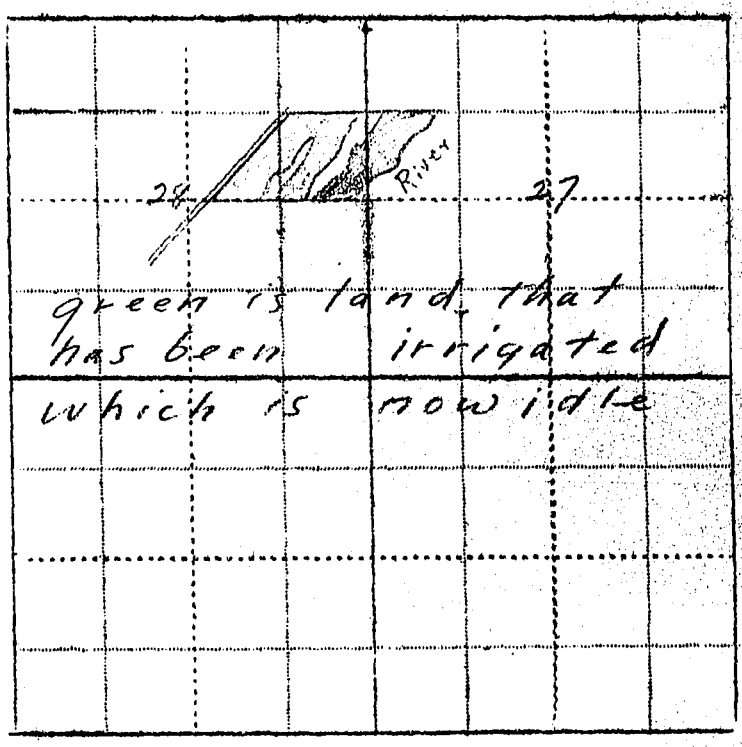
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 49 ~

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned ~

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Lot 1, Sec. 28; lot 6, Sec. 27, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Pays water charge to Lamford irrigation district



WITNESS: Letts Information by

Place

Berkheimer, Tena — Laurel Montana
Mr Gerald Cravety — Dec 7 1942
Billings Mont —

Dear Sir —

In Regard to your inquiry about my farm, will say that i do not understand the enclosed form your second question

I irrigate about 60 acres

in Regard to the Idle land

I have about 2 acres of seepage land.

land that has not been irrigated lately is the fault of my tenant — he pays Cash rent and does as he pleases.

i would not Call it being idle it is being used for Pasture

i cannot come down to see you we are on gas Rationing

Yours Resp. Mrs Tena Berkheimer

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Miss Tena Berkheimar
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Berkheimer:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

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Second: How many acres do you irrigate under the Mason Canal?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information [illegible] 1005

1. Water User [illegible] Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year 1912 Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year 1940 Acres Irrigated 54

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 49

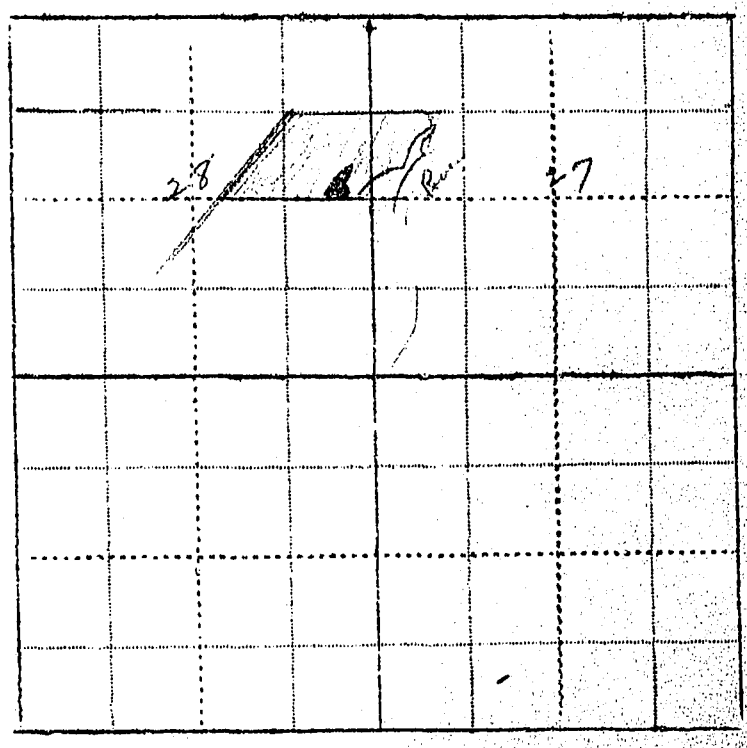
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Lot 1 Sec 28 - Lot 6 - Sec 27, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Pays water charge to Denford irrigation district



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

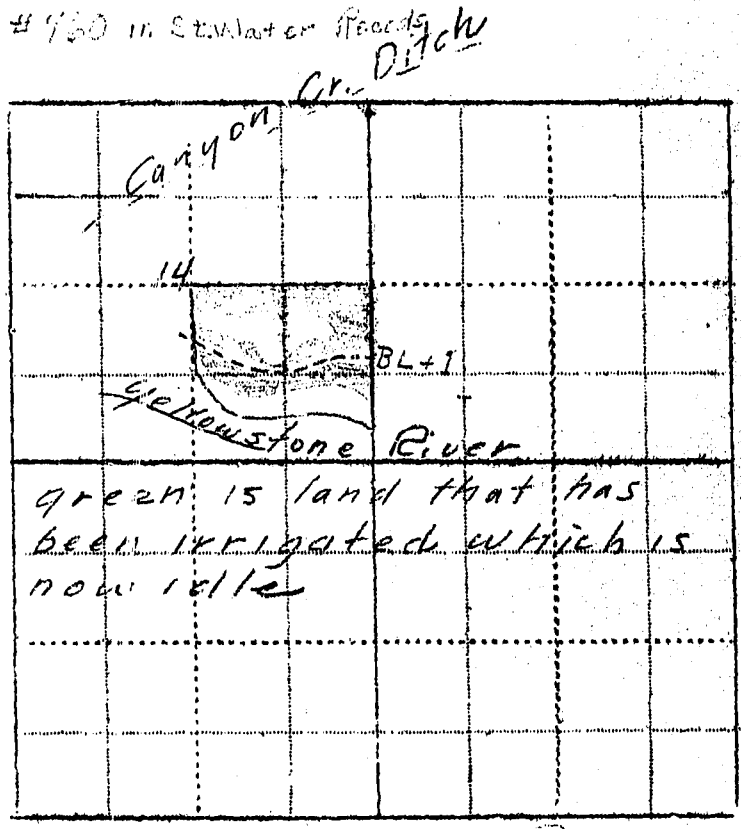
County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Jacob Bernhart Address Route 1, Laurel
2. Stream Clarks Fork ditch, Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Clarks Fork ditch Address
7. First Use: Year ✓ Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year 1930 Acres Irrigated 91.0
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 68.1
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned ✓
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description SE¼, Sec. 14, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: #750 in Stockwater Records

Please indicate the portion of land irrigated from each ditch NONE

Owner has 2 shares of Clarks Fork Ditch Stock and all irrigation is done from same.



green is land that has been irrigated which is now idle

WITNESS: Letter Information by Jacob Bernhart

Place Laurel Mont.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA—5050

1. Water User Jacob Bernhart Address Rte 1 Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ½ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

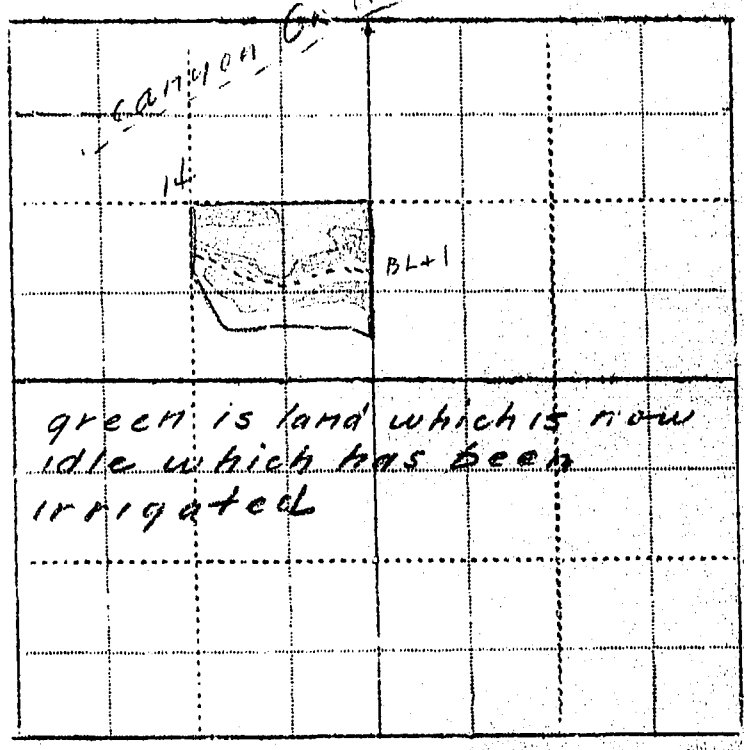
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 68.1

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description SE¼ Sec 14, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____



green is land which is now idle which has been irrigated

WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. Jacob Bernhart
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Bernhart:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not accurate, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue, and land that is now idle but has been irrigated in the past is shown in green.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below.
From what ditchor ditches do you irrigate and how many acres under each?
How many shares do you have in each ditch?company?
Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch.
If you have a private pumping plant we would like to know the size and capacity and also have you answer questions 3, 6, 7 and 8 of the enclosed sheet.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail it to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJC/rh

FORM SM-1 Jacob C. Eisenhardt

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User ~~Tim Reardon~~ Address Laurel

✓ 2. ~~Stream~~ Big ditch Tributary to Yel. R. Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate & laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Tim Reardon Address

7. First Use: Year 1927 Acres Irrigated 80

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 80

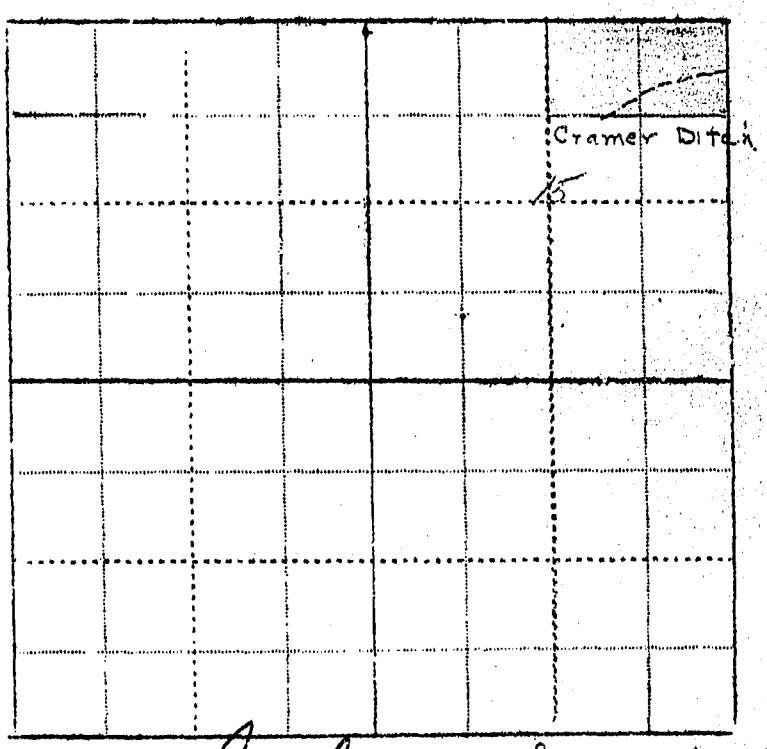
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 80

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description N½NE¼, Sec. 15, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: All my land is irrigated and receives water from the Big Ditch Co in which I own 10 shares



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Jacob C. Eisenhardt

Place Billings Office Dec 11, 1942

in buying from Tim Reardon

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-950

1. Water User Tim Reardon Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

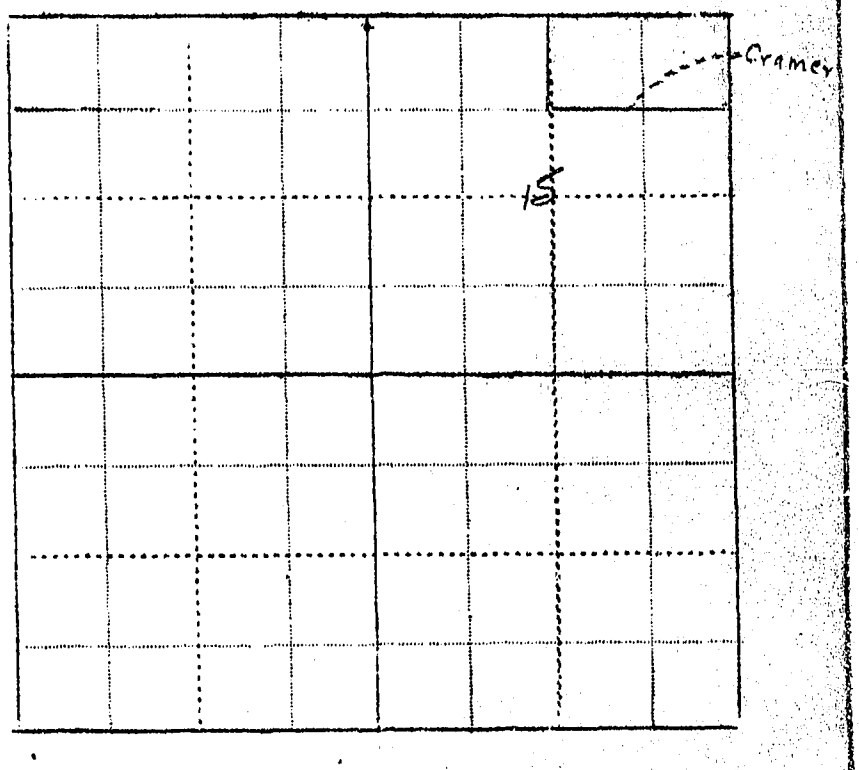
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated P 80

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description N2 NE4 Sec. 15, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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Billings,
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November 25, 1942

Mr. Tim Reardon
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Reardon:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

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Second: From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate and how many acres under each? How many shares do you have in the ditch company? Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch if you use more then one.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us in the enclosed self-addressed envelope as soon as possible. Any additional information you may wish to give us will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

[illegible]
Assistant [illegible]

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book C Page 105 Record Misc.

X 2. Name of Appropriator Tim Reardon et al Address Laurel, Montana

3. Date Appropriated Jan. 6, 1902 Date Filed Jan. 10, 1902

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ....., Cubic Feet per second 10

S 4. Name of Stream Camp Creek Tributary ..... Basin .....

5. Point of Diversion about 50 ft. east of center of the N.P. & C.C. R.R. in the NW¼

Sec. 16 Twp. 2S Rge. 24 E. Bank of Stream .....

6. Purpose Irrigation, water stock, other useful

7. Description of System Dam or headgate, ditch 2 ft. on bottom, about 8 ft. on top and about 4 ft. deep. Runs N.E. about ½ mile to land of L. A. Fetting in Sec. 10, 2 S. 24 E., then south on Sec. line of Sec. 15 & 16 about 200 yards to place of use.

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, Sec. 15 2 South 24 E.

May be used on S½, Sec. 15 2 South 24 E.

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) X et al being Daniel Foley, F. B. Jackson, & J. F. Jackson.

S Emptied into Canyon Creek Ditch on north bank about 1 mile from N.P. RR bridge which spans Yellowstone River near Laurel. At one time Camp Creek emptied into said river.

Decree

10. Case No. ..... Date ..... Amt. Decreed: M. I. ..... C. F. S. .....

11. To Whom Decreed ..... Address .....

12. Name of Ditch ..... Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) .....

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STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

Stillwater 760

In Stillwater County

Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 2 A Page 534 Record Misc
2. Name of Appropriator Absaroka Ferds Ditch Co Address
3. Date Appropriated Apr 1 - 1891 Date Filed Jan 12 - 1892
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 12.00, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Yellowstone River Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion at a point on the north bank

   Sec. Twp. Rge. Bank of Stream

6. Purpose Irrigation domestic & other
7. Description of System dam & ditch 20" x 48"
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use NW¼, NE¼SW¼, NE¼, N½SE¼ sec 14 - 2S - 24E
   NW¼, SW¼ sec 12 - 2S - 24E
   SE¼ sec 1 - 2S - 25E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed
15. Remarks (Present Use Status, etc.)

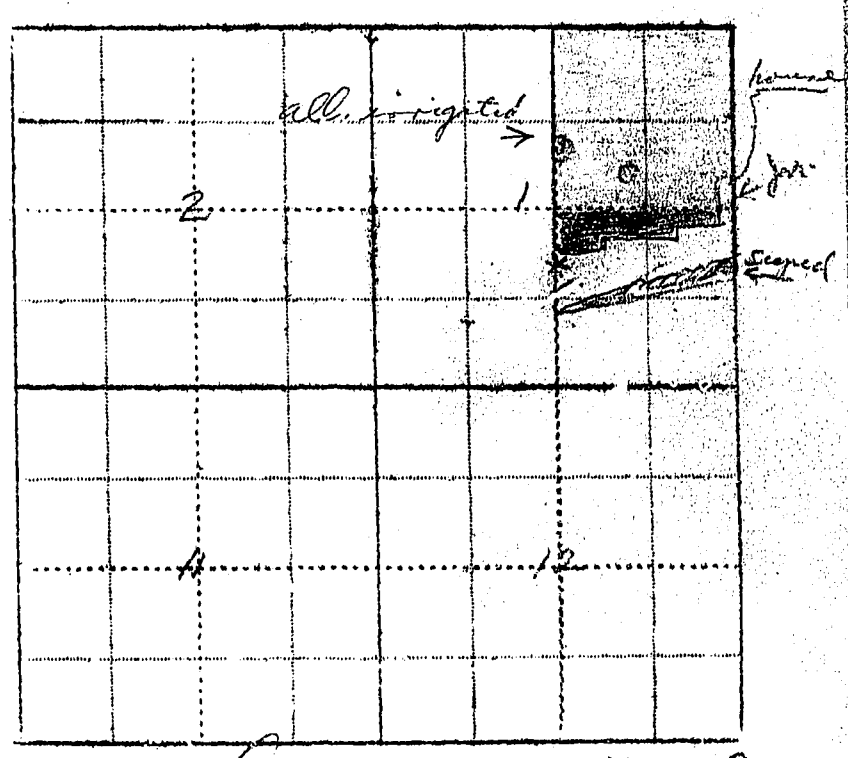
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User George Jacob Besel Address Box 908, Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~143.1~~ ~~L. C. 182.6~~ 172 acres
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description NE¼, Part of SE¼, Sec. 1, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: 38 shares in Big ditch. In order to irrigate more land will have to build a dyke - marked * Hos 16 + 18 acres seeped along R.R. Track - could be drained.



WITNESS: Letter
J.O.

Information by George Jacob Besel
Place Billings Office
Nov. 30, 1942

Billings,
xxxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. George Besel
Box 908
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Besel:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm o the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue, and land that is now idle but that has been irrigated in the past is in green.

Second: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc

FORM SM-1

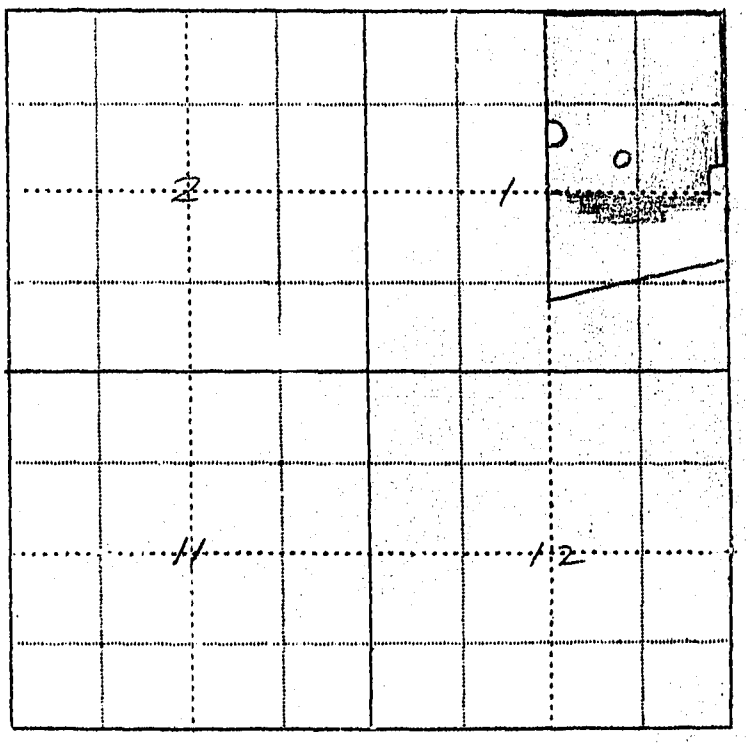
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information U.A.A. #1441

1. Water User Geo. Jacob Besel Address Box 908, Laurel Mont.
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to ____ Basin ____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____
4. Description of System ____
5. Type of Irrigation ____
6. Original Appropriator ____ Address ____
7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____
8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 143.1 L.C. 162.6
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned ____
11. Condition of System ____
12. Land Description NE¼ part of SE¼ Sec. 1, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

Has 38 shares in Big ditch



WITNESS: ____

Information by ____

Place ____

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FORM SM-1

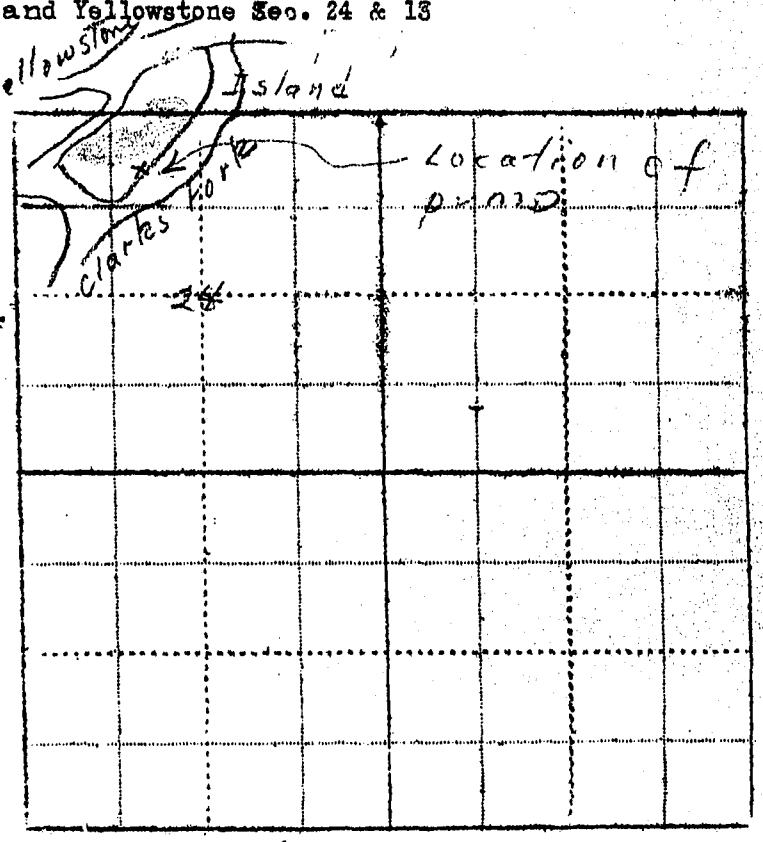
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water Use: Frank Beslanowitch Address Laurel
2. Stream Yellowstone Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion NE¼SW¼ Section 13 Township 2S Range 24E
4. Description of System artificial & seeped
5. Type of Irrigation Pump
6. Original Appropriator Frank Beslanowitch Address Laurel
7. First Use: Year 1926 1924, 2 inch pump Acres ~~Irrigated~~ 10 acres
8. ~~Maximum Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated~~ 20 with sub irrigation
9. Present Use: Year ~~1941~~ 1942 Acres Irrigated ~~18~~ ~~20~~ 10 acres average
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System good
12. Land Description That part of N½ NW¼ lying between Clarkes Fork and Yellowstone Sec. 24 & 13, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

1924 put in 2 inch pump 1926 put in 3 in pump intake and 4 inch outlet. Cost is about $50.00 to irrigate. Ditcher will in during high water. Has about an 8 foot lift. Could irrigate 20 acres if it were cleaned out. No appropriation



WITNESS: ~~Letter~~ Came into office

Information by Frank Beslanowitch

Place Billings Office

Nov. 27, 1942

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. Frank Beslanowitch
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Beslanowitch:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

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Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below. If you have a private pump we would like to know the size and capacity, the year it was first used, the name of the original appropriator (the person who first filed for water), and the location of the pump (you may indicate this on the enclosed map). How many acres do you irrigate? If you cannot answer these questions, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc

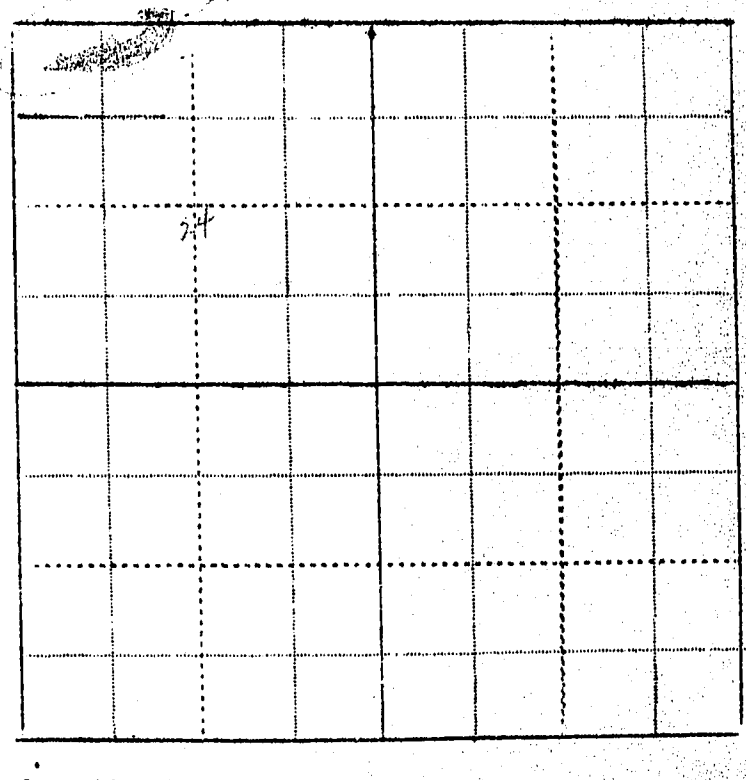
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information [illegible]

1. Water User [illegible] Address [illegible]
2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System _____
5. Type of Irrigation _____
6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____
7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year [illegible] Acres Irrigated 16
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System _____
12. Land Description [illegible] , T 2S , R 24E.

Remarks: [illegible]



WITNESS: Letter Information by _____

Place _____

FORM SW-1

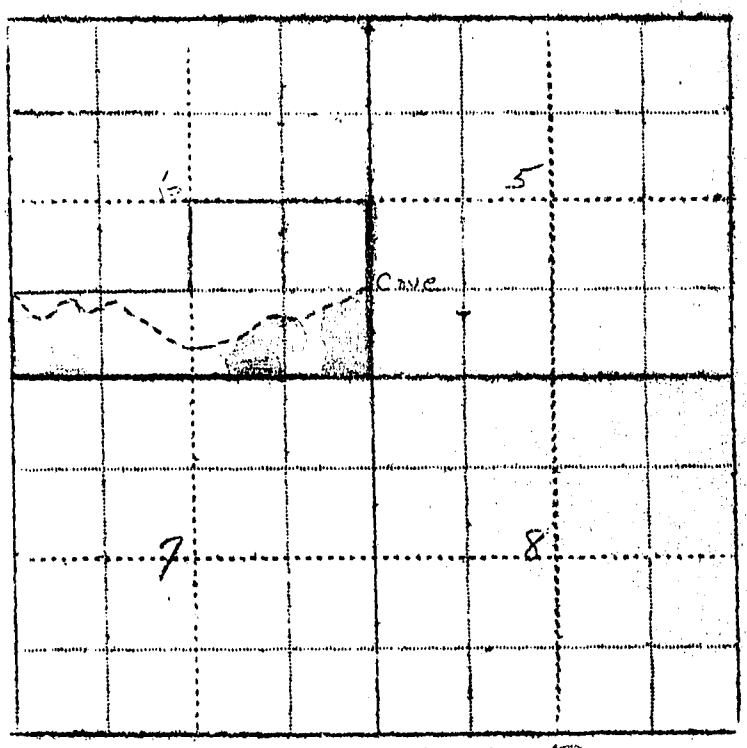
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User W.E. Beswick Address Laurel - Sun Rt.
2. Stream Cove ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Cove Ditch Co. Address
7. First Use: Year /933 Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~32~~ 31
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Lot 7 SE¼SW¼, SE¼, Sec. 6, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Have 1 share in
Cove ditch
Have always
irrigated 31 acres



WITNESS: Letter Information by Mrs. W. E. Beswick
S. J. Crandall Place Billings Office
Dec. 4, 1942

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. W. L. Beswick
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Beswick:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 954

1. Water User W. L. Beswick Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

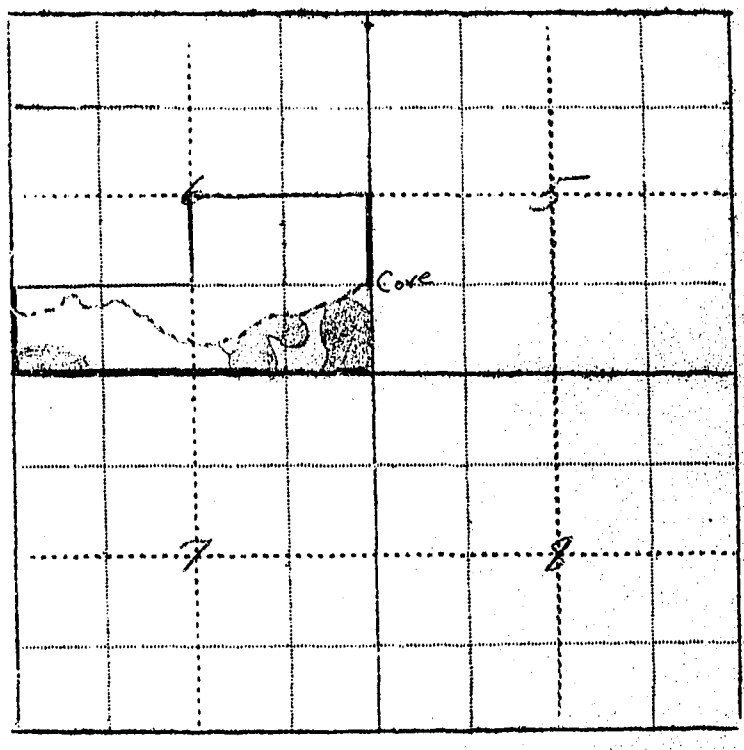
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 9.4

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lot 7 - SE¼ SW¼, SE¼, Sec 6, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Gust Bolenski Address R1. Box 86 Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation General Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 66.7

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 66.7

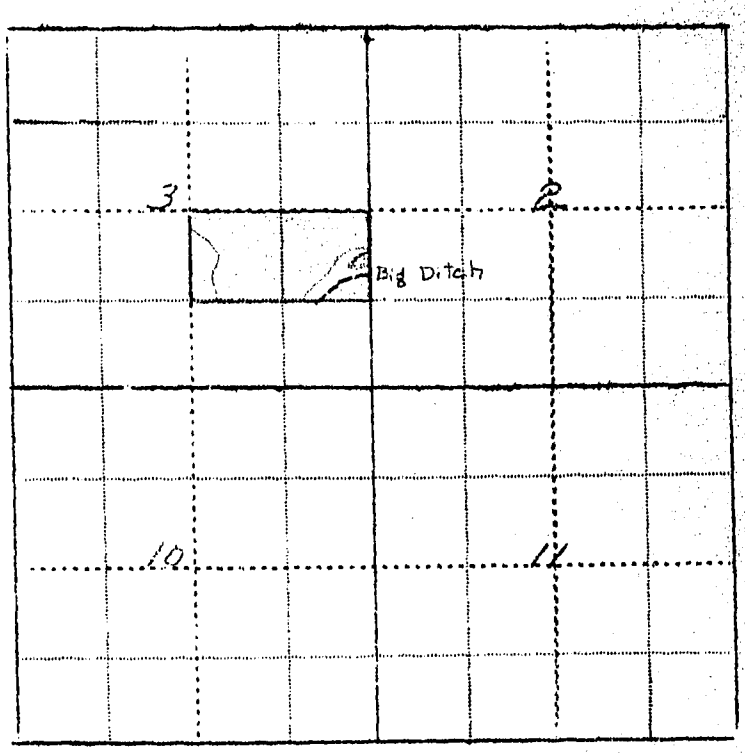
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned None Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description N½SE¼ Sec. 3, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Has 5 shares in Big + 10 shares in High ditches
The information you compiled is correct. This Land is all irrigated from the High ditch. There is no seepage on this Land and none is idle.



WITNESS: Letter Information by Gust Bolenske

Place Laurel Montana Route I Box 86

June 8. 1943

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. Gust Bolenski
Route 1, Box 86
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Bolenski:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

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Second: Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch and the number of acres in each.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJC/rh
enc.

xxxxxxxx
Billings,
January 2, 1943

Mr. Gust Bolenski
Route 1, Box 86
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Bolenski:

On November 23 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislatrue enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information WRA 1096

1. Water User Gust Bolenski Address Laurel, Box 86, Mont.

2. Stream Big + High Tributary to ____ Basin ____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____

4. Description of System ____

5. Type of Irrigation ____

6. Original Appropriator ____ Address ____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 66.7

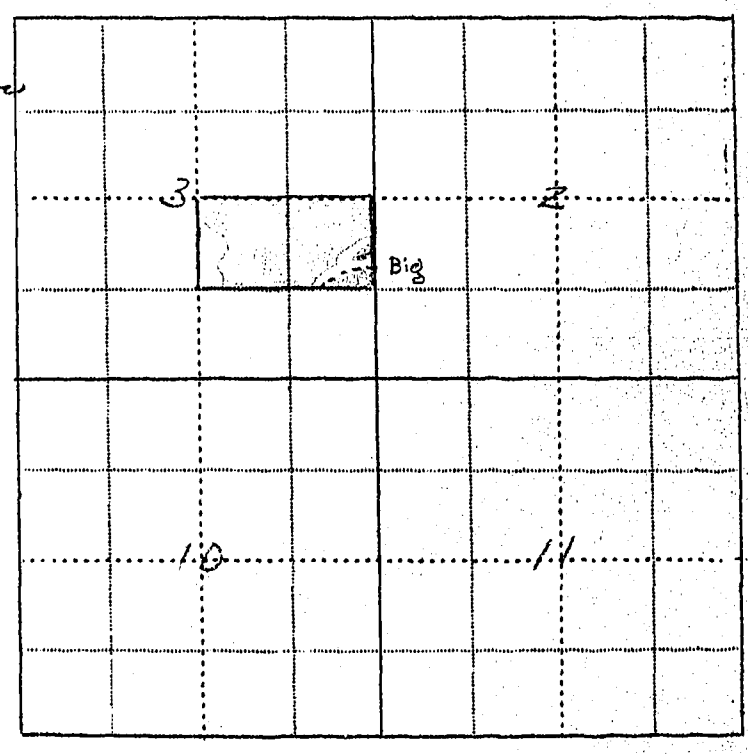
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned ____

11. Condition of System ____

12. Land Description N½ Sec. 3 , T 2S , R 24E.

Remarks:

Has 5 shares in Big + 10 shares in High ditches



WITNESS: ____ Information by ____

Place ____

FORM SM-1 Boyd, Arnott

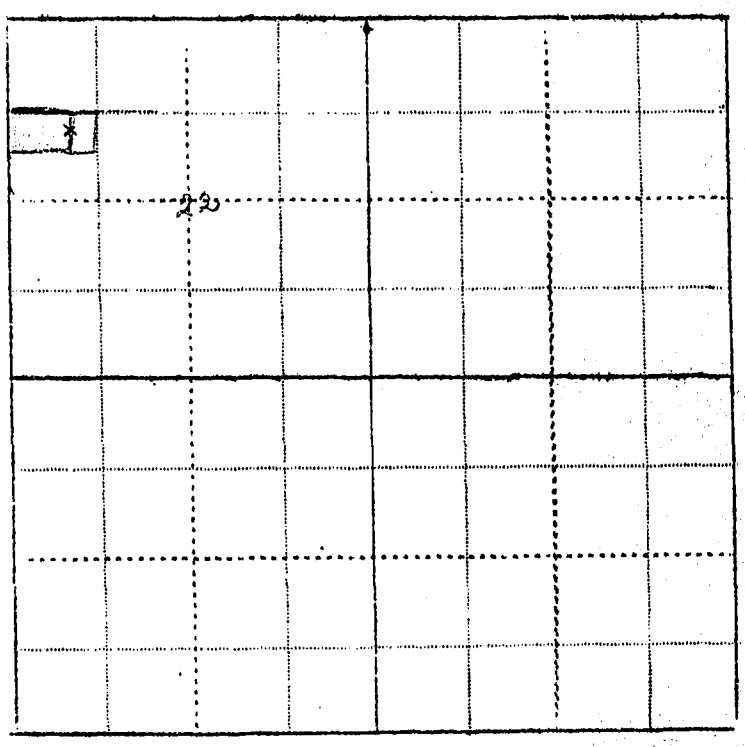
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information HHA. 1007

1. Water User H. Boyd Address Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Danford Irr. Dist. Address _____
7. First Use: Year — Acres Irrigated 15
8. Maximum Use: Year — Acres Irrigated 15
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 15.0
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Lot 2. Sec. 22. , T 2 S , R 24 E

Remarks:

Pays $9.04 to Danford irrigation district for water



WITNESS: Letter Information by Arnott Boyd.

Place _____

P.207

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. A. Boyd
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Boyd:

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First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: How many shares do you have under the Mason Canal?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

xxxxxxx
Billings,
January 2, 1943

Mr. A. Boyd
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Boyd:

On November 28 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

Mr. S. J. Dratz

In regard to your letter of Jan. 2 I dont know how much water I am allowed in the Danford Ditch but you may write the ditch Company

Arnott Boyd

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership + Co.

1. Water User H. L. Boyles Address

2. Stream Canyon Cr. Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgates + laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Canyon Cr. Ditch, Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated ✓

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated ✓

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated .75

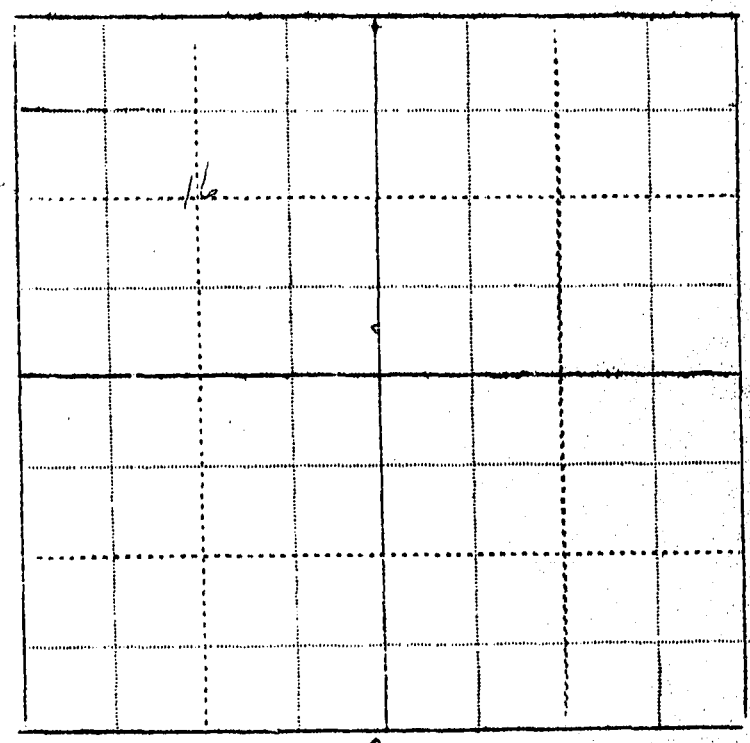
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Burdette Sub. Lot 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Shares under Burdette ditch has 35 shares in Canyon Cr. Ditch



WITNESS: JJD

Information by O.K.

Place H. L. Boyles
Billings

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User E. G. Bray Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Canyon Cr. Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Canyon Cr ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year 1940 Acres Irrigated 11

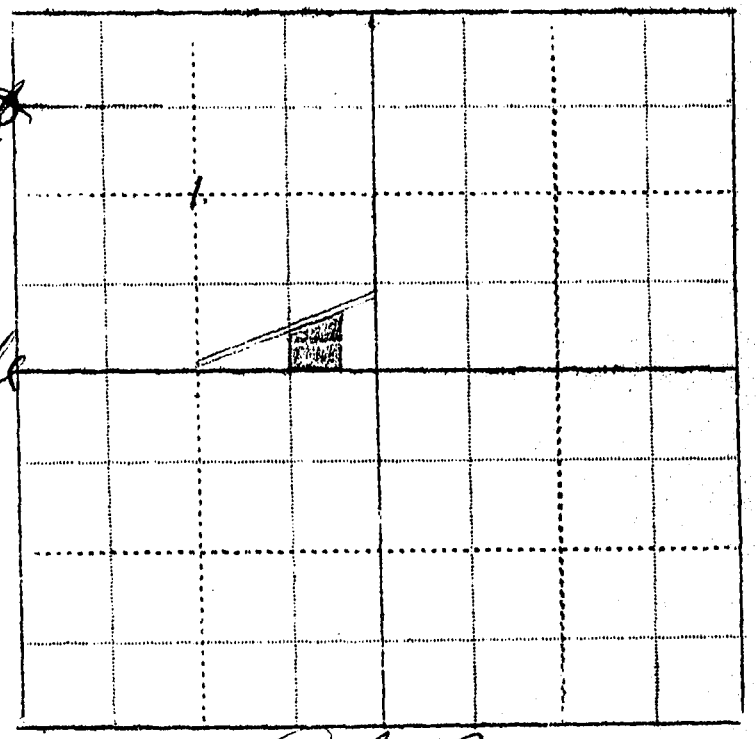
9. Present Use: Year Acres Irrigated 8

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description W½SE¼ SE¼, So. of R. R., Sec. 1, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Har 2 shares under Canyon Cr. ditch. I irrigate about 6 acres on my place. The rest of it is effected by seepage outside of about 2 acres in N E corner.



WITNESS: Letter

Information by E. G. Bray

Place Laurel, Montana.

FORM SM-1 1F-

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information L.C., Photo & Ownership

1. Water User E. G. Bray Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Canyon Cr Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin Yellow

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 11

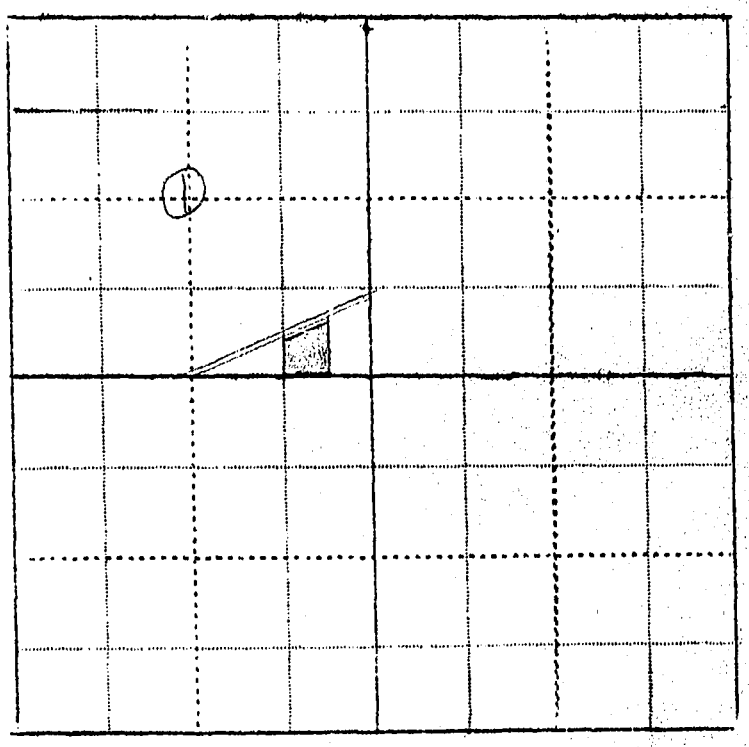
9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible] Sec 1, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Has 2 shares under Canyon Creek.



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. E. G. Bray
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Bray:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Land that is now idle but has been irrigated in the past is shown in green.

Second: If this land is not irrigated, as our records show, we would like to know the year it was last irrigated.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle in addition to that shown, please indicate on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1 10 P.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Carl M. Brenden Address Box 572 - Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Yelsto Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgates + Sat.

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated 4

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 4

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 4 always irr.

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned ✓

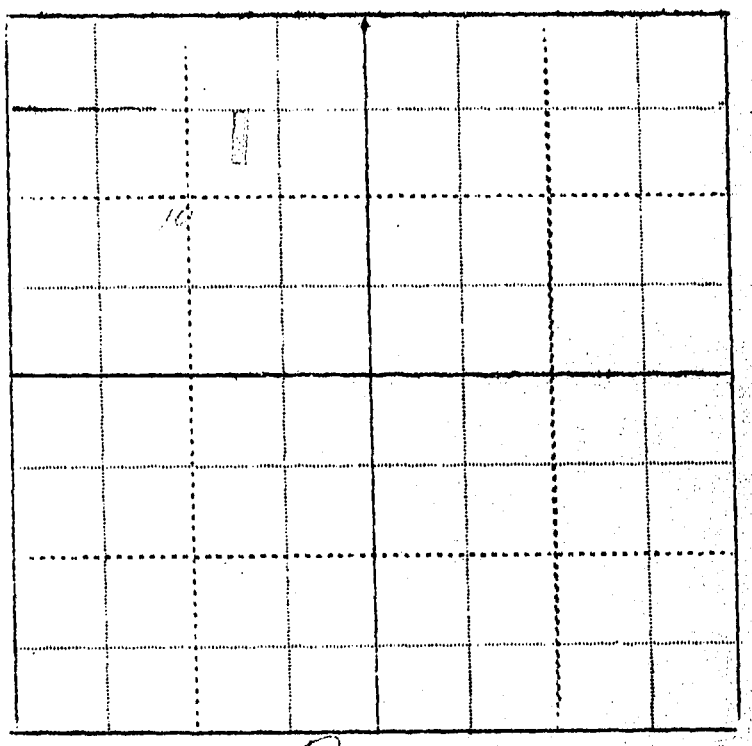
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac Sec N 8 4 Sec 10, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

Interviewed by Phone [illegible]

1 share Big



WITNESS: Mrs Barber Information by Phone

Place Billings Mont.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User H. A. Bundy Address Laurel

2. Stream ~~Cramer~~ Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Tim Reardon Address

7. First Use: Year 1902 Acres Irrigated 62

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 65

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 62

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description S½NE¼, Sec. 15, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Pays for water from Big + Italian ditch

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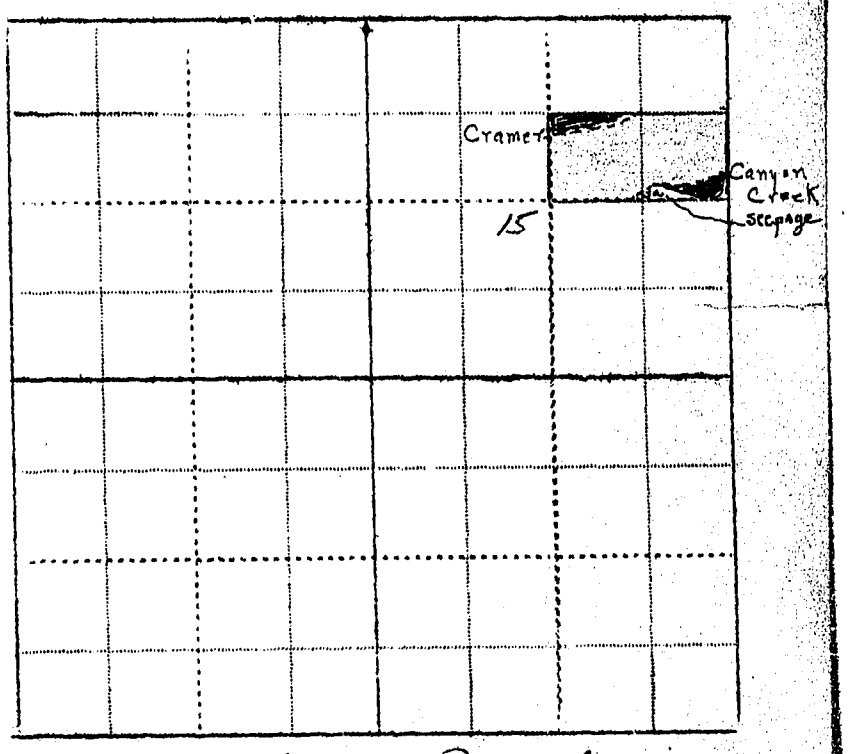

WITNESS: Letter Information by H. A. Bundy

Place 11/24/42

Italian 8 acres
Big 54

Laurel Mont
11-24-42

Mr Gerald J. Crawley

Dear Sir:

Will try to give you the information as near as possible. all the land north of the cromer ditch can be Irrigated.

2nd I have no share in the cromer ditch and do not Irrigate from that Ditch no the Canyon Creek. I Irrigate from the Big ditch, Italian Ditch, and one fourth of what was Camp Creek at one time.

In the farm under remarks I see you show Ida Bundy, my folk have not owened any land in this location for a good many years.

I hope that this covers your questions asked. if not the only way will be to come down.

Yours Truly
H.G. Bundy.

Laurel Mont
Route #1 Box 51

FORM SM-1

15 B.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA – 1103

1. Water User H. A. Bundy Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Cramer ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 62.0

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description S 2 NE 4 Sec. 15, T 2 S, R 2 E

Remarks: Pays for water under Cramer ditch (Ida Bundy)

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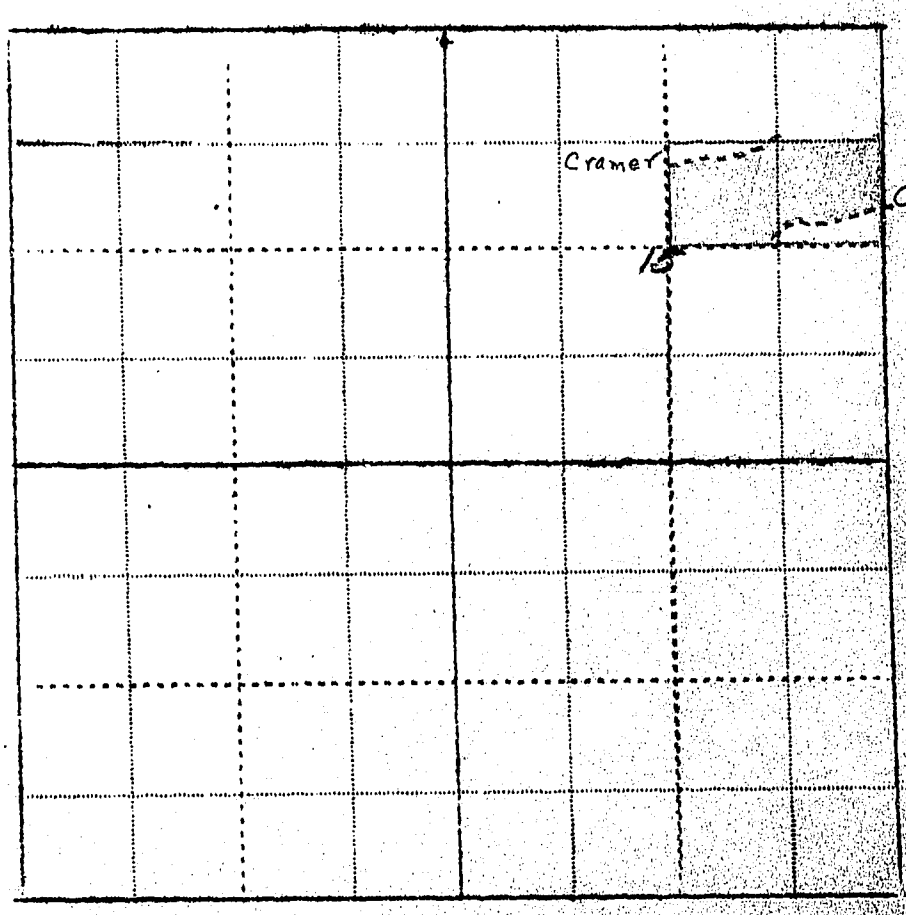

WITNESS: Letter Information by _____

Place _____

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Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. H. A. Bundy
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Bundy:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to ~~[illegible]~~ extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: Do you irrigate only from the Cramer ditch? If not from what other source do you get water?
How many shares do you have in this ditch company?
If you irrigate from more than one ditch, please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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Please Do Not Fill in Any Items on This Page

Notice of Appropriation

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1. County Yellowstone Book C Page 505 Record Misc.

⊗ 2. Name of Appropriator Tim Reardon et al Address Laurel, Mont.

3. Date Appropriated Jan. 6 1902 Date Filed Jan. 10, 1902

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ..... , Cubic Feet per second 10

⊙ 4. Name of Stream Camp Creek Tributary ..... Basin .....

5. Point of Diversion about 50 ft. east of center of the N.P. & C.C. R.R. in the NW¼

Sec. 16 Twp. 2 So Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream .....

6. Purpose Irrigation, water stock, other useful

7. Description of System Dam or headgate, ditch 2 ft. on bottom, about 8 ft. on top & about 4 ft. deep Runs N.W. about ½ mile to land of L. A. Nutting in Sec. 10 - 2 So 24 E, then south on Sec. line of Sec. 15 & 16 about 200 Rds. to place of use.

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use

N½ Sec. 15 · 2 South 24 E.

May be used on S½ Sec 15 · 2 South 24 E.

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) ⊗ et al being Daniel Foley, F.B. Jackson, & J.F. Jackson.

⊙ Empties into Canyon Creek Ditch on North Bank about 1 mile from N.P. RR bridge which spans Yellowstone River near Laurel, At one time Camp Creek emptied into said river.

Decree

10. Case No. ..... Date ..... Amt. Decreed: M. I. ..... C. F. S. .....

11. To Whom Decreed ..... Address .....

12. Name of Ditch ..... Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) .....

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User P. F. Burns Address 2001 E. 22" St., Denver, Colo.

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated ✓

8. Maximum Use: Year 1940 Acres Irrigated 10

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 7.5 est

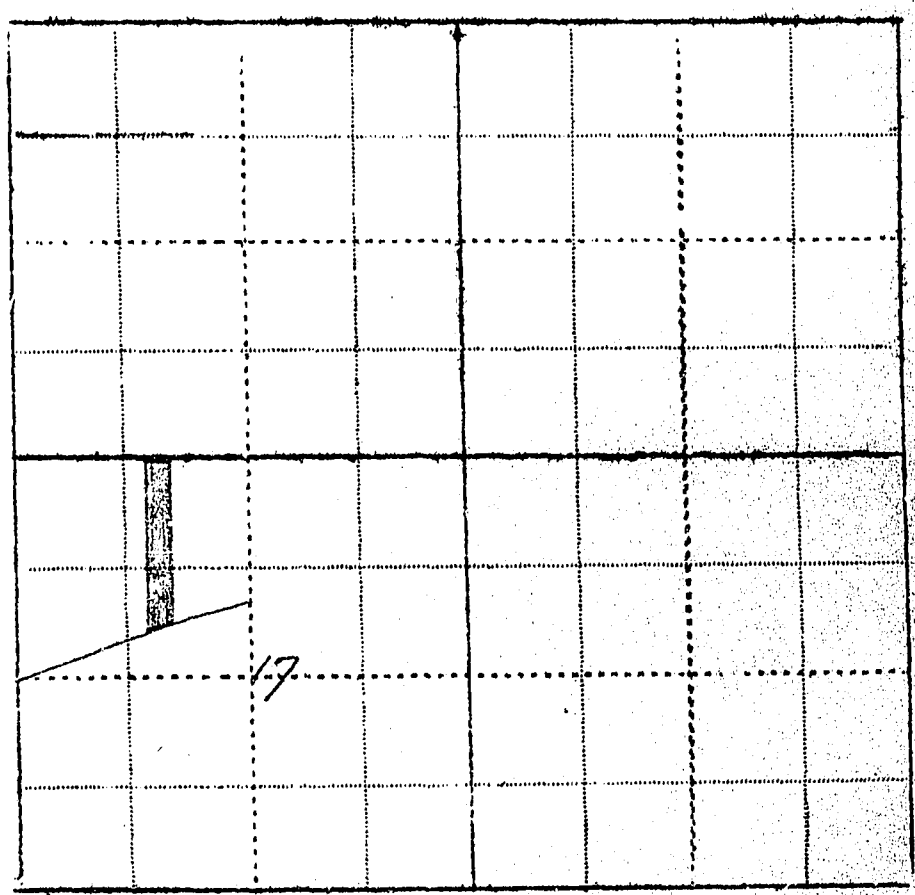
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac. E½NW¼, Sec. 17, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Has 3 shares in Big Ditch



WITNESS: G. J. O. Information by observation in field

Place Faunel

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & Photo & L.E.

1. Water User P. F. Burns Address 2001 E. 22 St. Denver, Colo.

2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 10

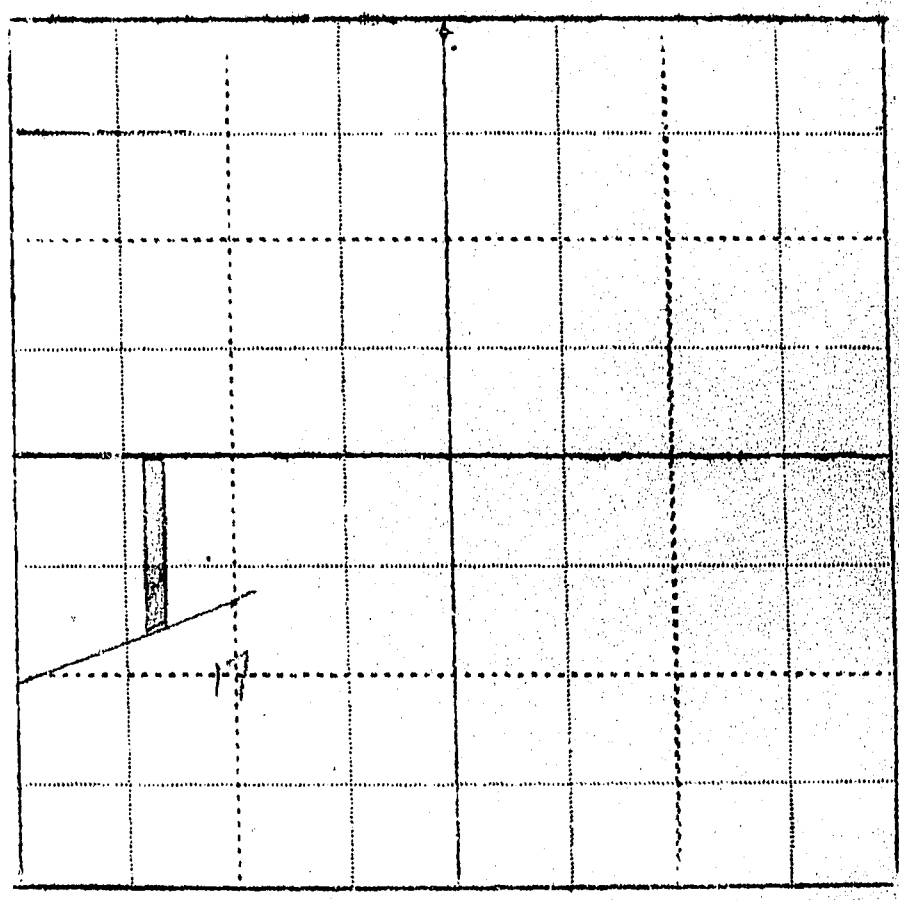
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 7.5 est photo

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible] Sec 17, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: Has 3 Shares Big Ditch



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & L.C.'s

1. Water User O.R. Burdette Address Laurel

✓ 2. ~~Stream~~ Canyon Creek Ditt. Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 2.

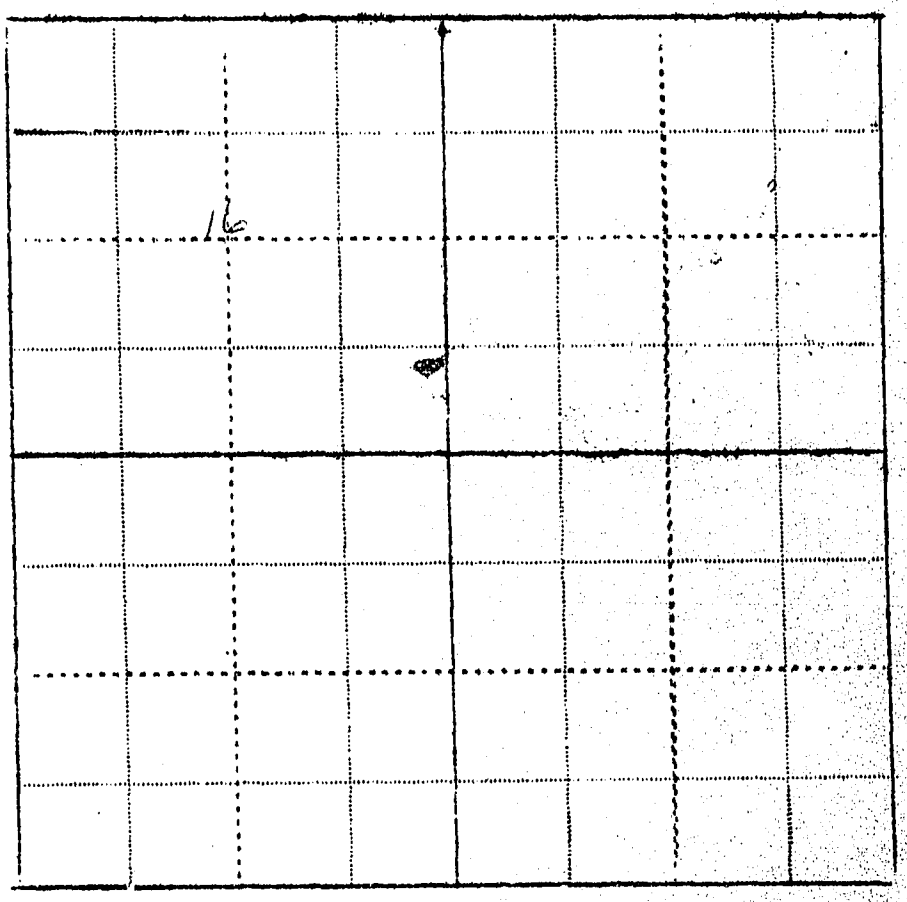
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Burdette Sub. Sec 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

has 35 shares in Canyon Cr. ditch



WITNESS: G.J.D.

Information by O.R. Burdette

Place Laurel Mont.

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FORM SM-1 17D

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership Photo + L.C.

1. Water User Geo E. Calhoun % Kate Reed Address 1125 Rust Bldg. Tacoma Wash

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin Yell.

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Box + Lateral

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity.

6. Original Appropriator Italian Ditch. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 10

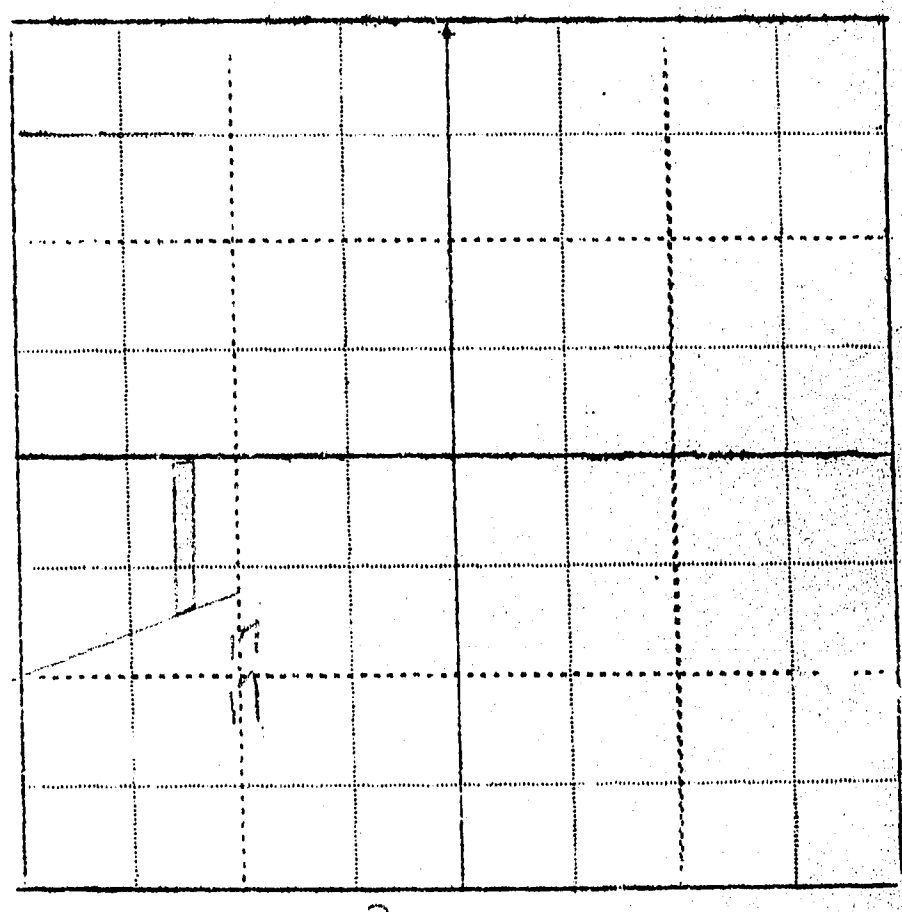
9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac E. Mt, Sec 17, T 28, R 24E

Remarks: Not irrigated at present.



WITNESS: S.J.O. Information by Car + Neighbors

Place Laurel

Oct. 29, 1942

FORM SW-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Tony Ladova Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

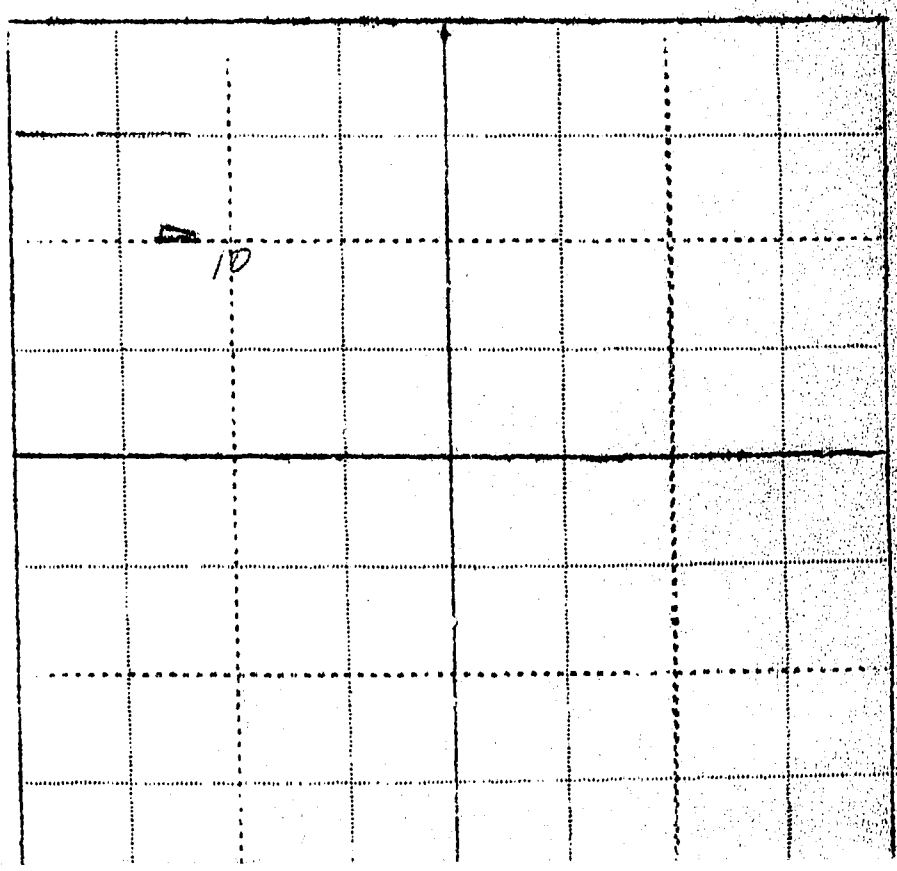
9. Present Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated 1 outbuilding - built up

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Ine NW, Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____



County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Tony Collova Address Laurel

2. Stream Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Mr. Nitting Address Laurel, Mont.

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated / None

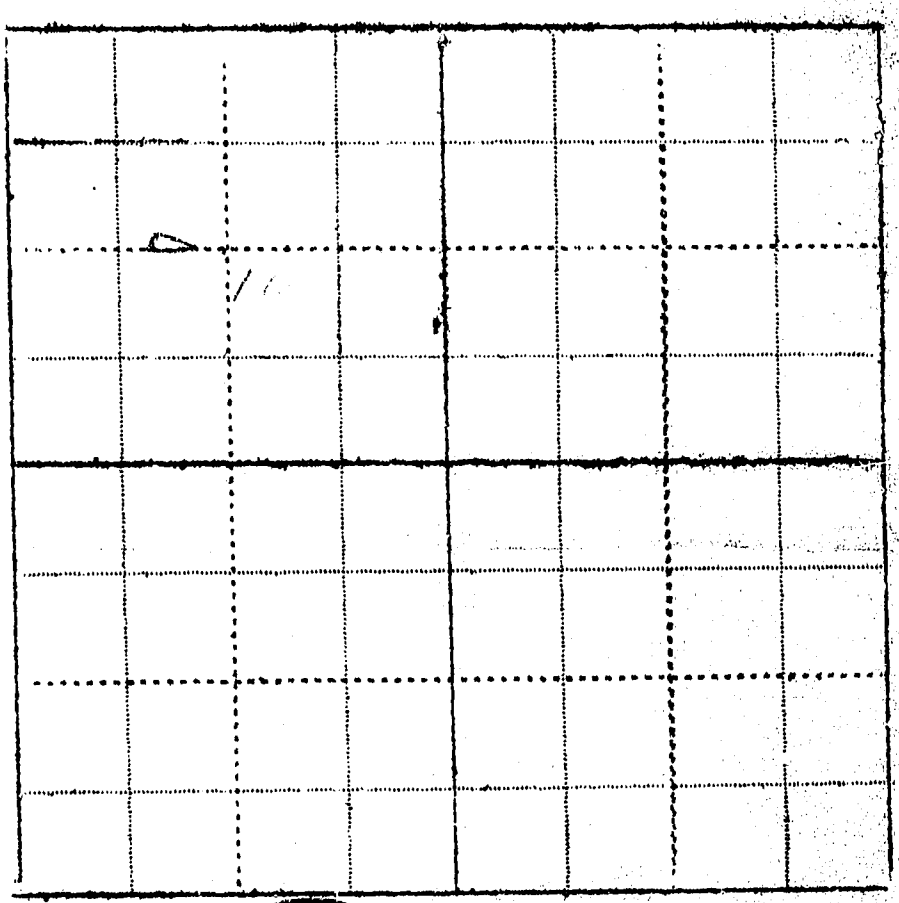
10. Last Use: Year 1933 Why Abandoned Because of buildings

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description Frac S2N2, Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: The above mentioned land has not been irrigated since 1934 account it's covered with buildings

Received 10/23/42



WITNESS

Information by Tony Collova

Place Laurel

STATE OF MONTANA

STATE ENGINEER

HELENA, MONTANA
Billings,
Oct. 15, 1942

Tony Callova
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Callova:

We are making a survey of all the irrigated lands in the Yellowstone drainage basin. The purpose of this survey is to find the total irrigable acres in this basin. The findings are to be presented to the Yellowstone River Compact Commission, which has been created for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota. They also will be used in the State Engineers office.

We are therefore asking you to help us. Our records show that you own 1 acre in the S½N½ of Section 10, township 2S Range24 E, and that this land is all irrigated. We would like to know if our record is correct and form what ditch you get your water for irrigation.

Please write under remarks on the inclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct give us the correct information.

Inclosed you will find a self addressed envelope which does not require any postage.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Ass't Engineer

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Billings,
Oct. 15, 1942

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Laurel, Montana

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We are therefore asking you to help us. Our records show that you own 1 acre in the S½N½ of Section 10, township 2S Range24 E, and that this land is all irrigated. We would like to know if our record is correct and form what ditch you get your water for irrigation.

Please write under remarks on the inclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct give us the correct information.

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Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

FORM SM-1

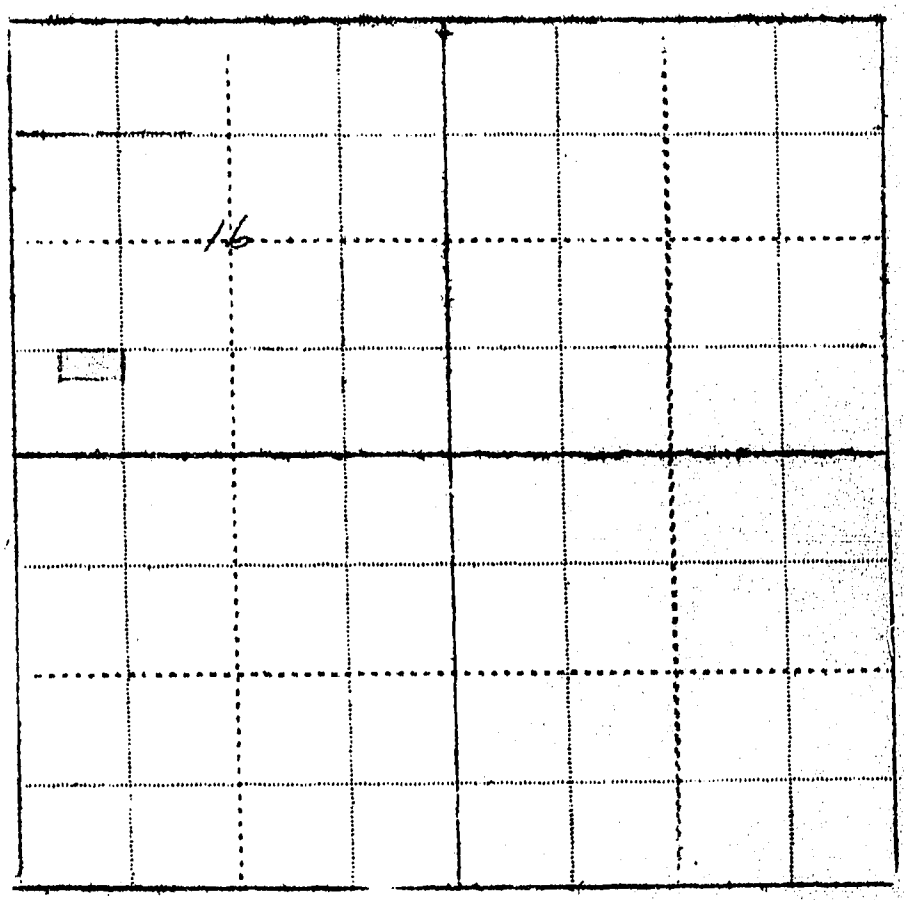
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User William H. Carter Address Box 533, Laurel
2. Stream Italian ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates & laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity, Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 5
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description $N\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}SW\frac{1}{4}SW\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

1. As far as I see this form is correct.
2. The Italian Ditch Two shares
3. We have about an acre that is effected by seepage



WITNESS:

Information by Mrs. W. H. Hatfield - sister of William H. Carter - now with the Armed forces

Place Laurel Mont.

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. William H. Carter
Box 533
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Carter:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such infromation is not available for Montana. As much of the information must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below. From what ditch do you irrigate and how many acres are under irrigation? How many shares do you have in the ditch company?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJC/rh
enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. William H. Carter
Box 533
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Carter:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 5777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

16 E

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information

1. Water User William H. Carter Address Box 33 Laurel

2. Stream Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

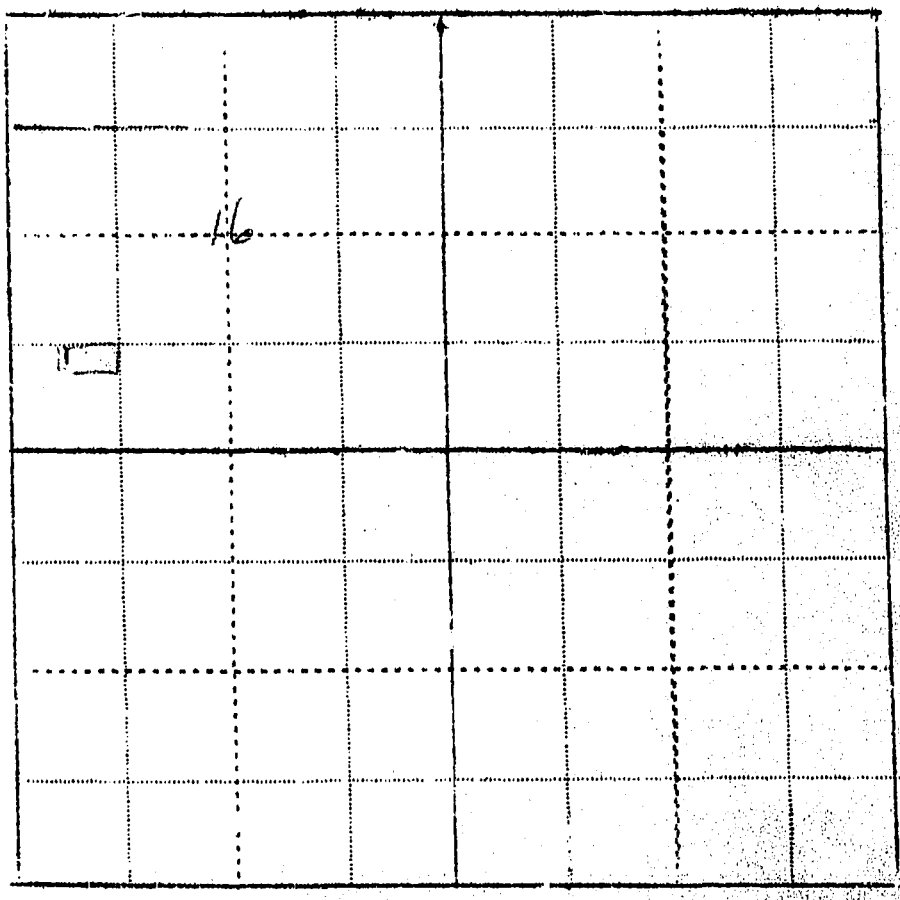
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 5

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description W ½ NE¼ SW¼ SW¼ Sec 16, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:



WITNESS: Information by

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information Ownership, Photo & L.C.

1. Water User F. P. Conlin Address 1109 E. Colfax Ave Denver Colo

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian Tributary to _____ Basin Yel.

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & Sat.

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

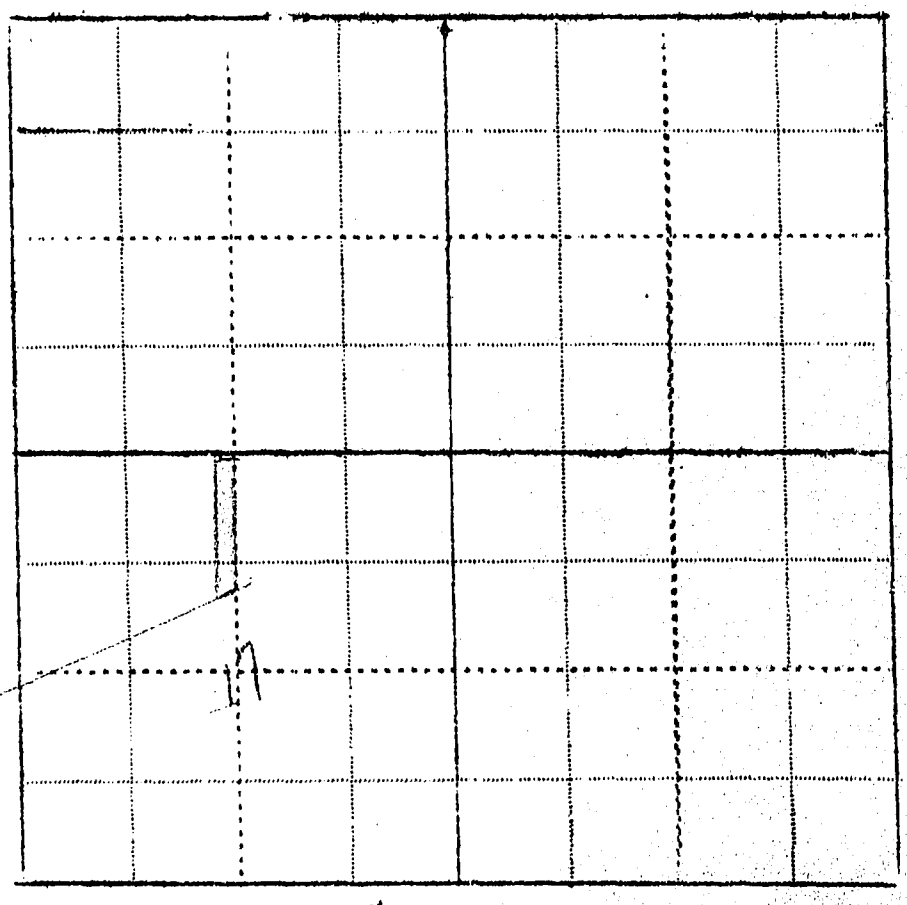
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated —

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description [illegible] E NW Sec 17, T 2[illegible], R [illegible] E

Remarks: Not irrigated at present



WITNESS: S. J. O.
Oct 23, 1942

Information by Carr & Neighbors
Place Fannel, Mont.

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FORM SM-1

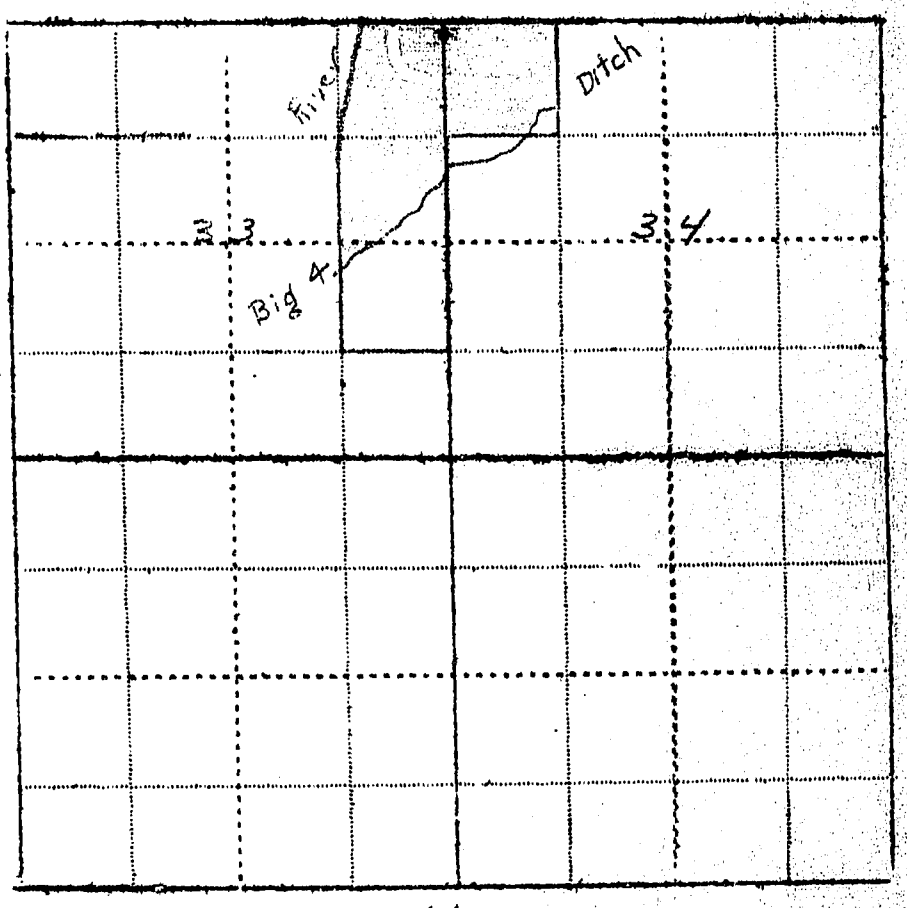
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Sam Clare & ~~Gerald Seamman~~ Address Silesia, Mont.
2. ~~Stream~~ Big 4 Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Big 4 ditch Address
7. First Use: Year 1903 Acres Irrigated 40
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~145.6~~ 100
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description NE¼NE¼, SE¼NE¼, lot 1, Sec. 33; 10A. lying in S½NW¼NW¼, Sec. 34, T 2S, R 24E
That part of NW¼NW¼, Sec. 34 & N ¼ NE¼, Sec 33 east of road

Remarks:

Have 200 Shares in Big 4 Ditch [illegible]



WITNESS: Letter M. K.

Information by Mr Clare in office

Place 12/8/42

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. Sam Clare
Gilesia, Montana

Dear Mr. Clare:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land which is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below. Is all of your land irrigated from the Big 4 Ditch? If not will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land under a second ditch and tell us the number of acres and shares in the second ditch. If you have a private pumping plant please answer the questions checked in red on the enclosed sheet.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-952A-952B

1. Water User Sam Clare & Gerald Scammon ~~Address~~ Silesia

2. ~~Stream~~ Big 4 Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated _____ - 145.6

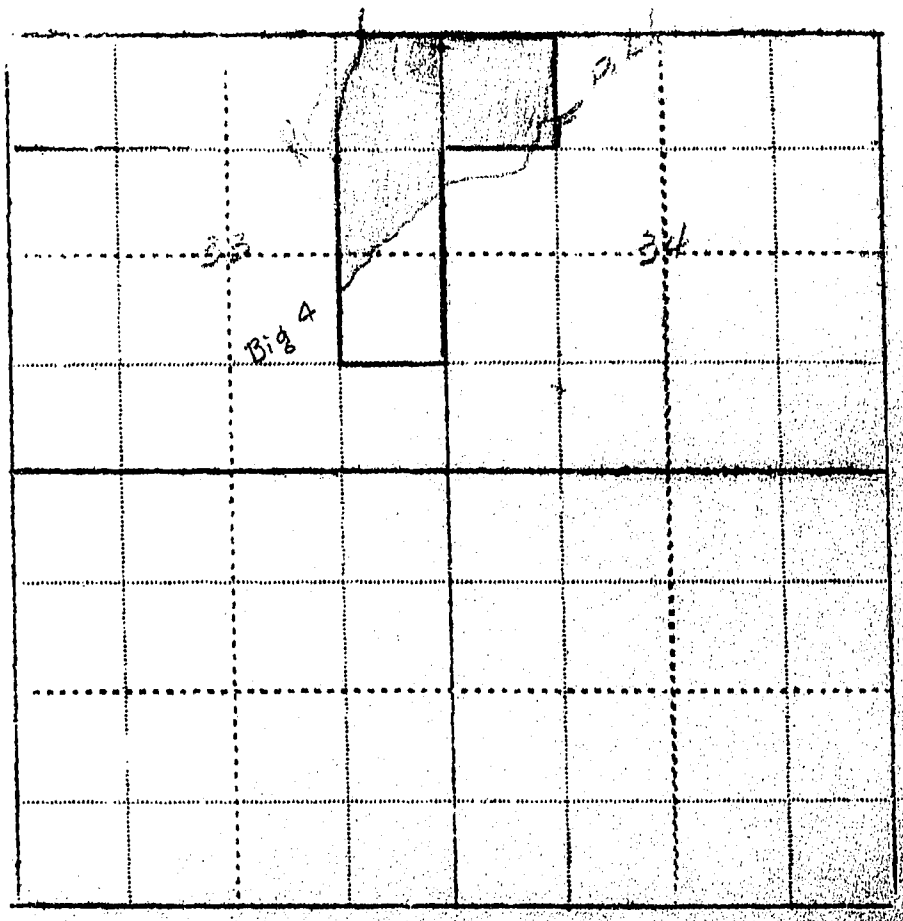
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description NE SE¼, SE NE¼, lot 1, Sec. 33, 2S-24E and 10A lying in S² NW NW¼ Sec 34, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____

Has 200 shares in Big 4 Ditch



WITNESS: Information by

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User ~~Lester~~ Leslie Cole Address Silesia

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion (Location of Pump) One mile below Silesia Bridge ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Gravity irrigation system.

5. Type of Irrigation " " "

6. Original Appropriator E. M. Coombs Address

7. First Use: Year 1912 Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 54.5

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 42.5

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good shape

12. Land Description Lots 4 & 5 SE¼NW¼, E of R.R., Sec. 28, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Have 36.06 Shares in Danford irrigation Dist. About 10 acres more could be irrigated

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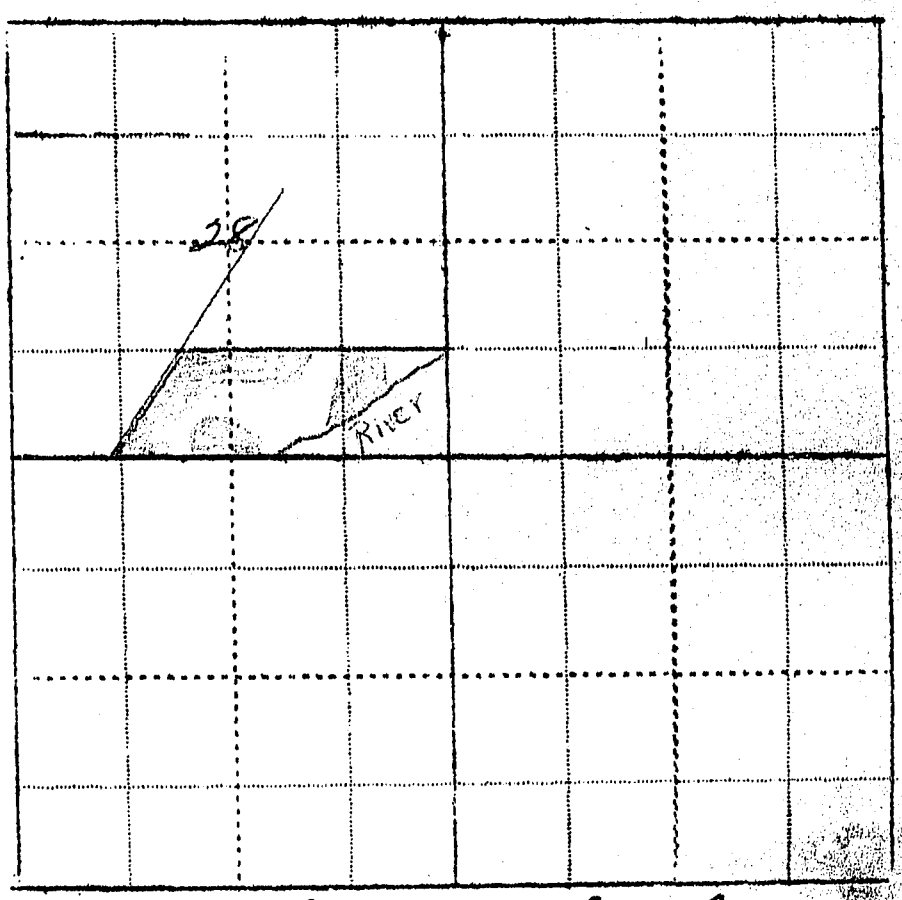


WITNESS: Letter

Information by Leslie Cole

Place Mt Orion.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAP-2322

1. Water User Lester Cole Address Silesia

2. Stream Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin Yel.

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

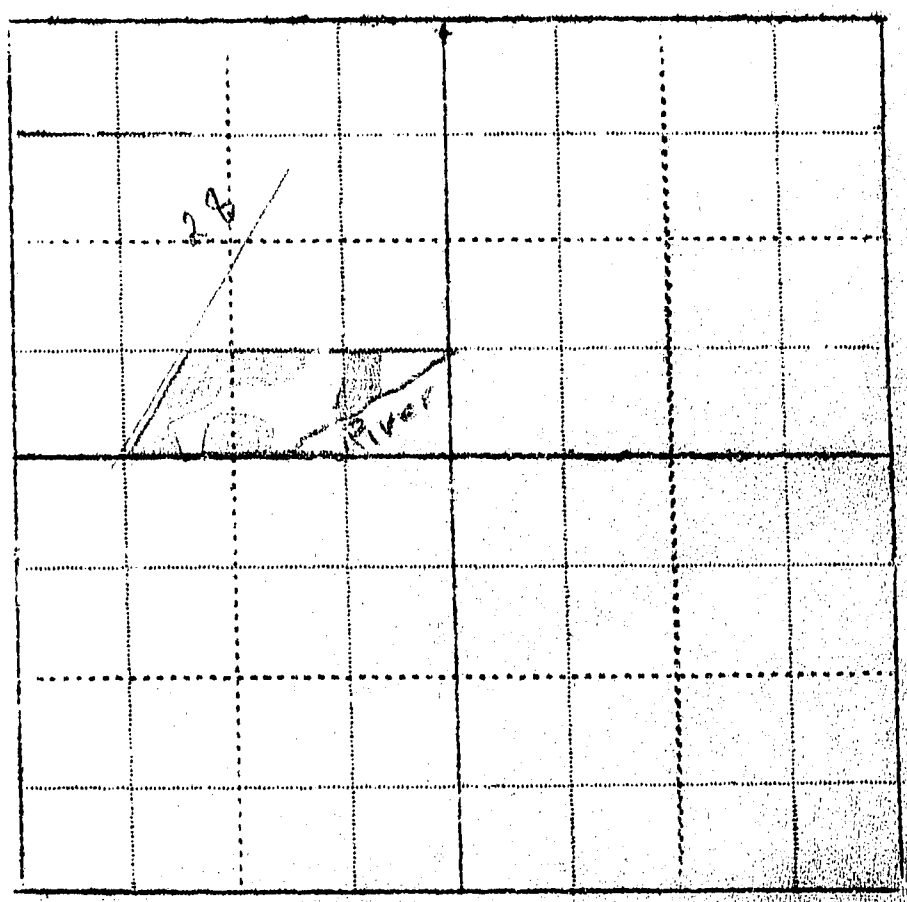
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 42.5

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lots 4, 5, SE-SW¼, E of R.R. Sec. 28, T 2S., R 24E.

Remarks: Place 36.06 Shares in Danford Irrigation district



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. Lester Cole
Silesia, Montana

Dear Mr. Cole:

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Second: Is all of your land irrigated from the Mason Canal? If not will you please indicate what portion of your land is under another ditch and tell us the number of acres and shares you own in the second ditch company.
If you have a private pumping plant, please answer the questions marked in red on the enclosed sheet.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone (Also Carbon Co.) Book L Page 318 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator E. M. Coombs Address Carbon Co., Montana
3. Date Appropriated April 1, 1912 Date Filed June 1, 1912
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 3000, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Big Slough Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion A dam across an arm of said river known as Big Slough at a point about 300 ft. east of the intersection of said slough with West line of
   Sec. 2 Twp. 3 So. Rge. 23 E. Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation and domestic
7. Description of System Dam and ditch about 4 ft. wide on bottom, 4 ft. deep and to conduct water to said land by means of said ditch and pumping outfit.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use $N\frac{1}{2}$, Sec. 2; $NW\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 1; Frac. Sections 11 & 12, 3 South 23 East. (Not Yellowstone Co.)
   Frac. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 3 South 24 East (Sec. 6 & 7 not Yellowstone)
   Frac. Sections 28, 29, 31, 32 2 South 24 East
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Transcribed from Water Right Record Book 3, page 204 Carbon Co. Records.
   Water appropriated March 25, 1912.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

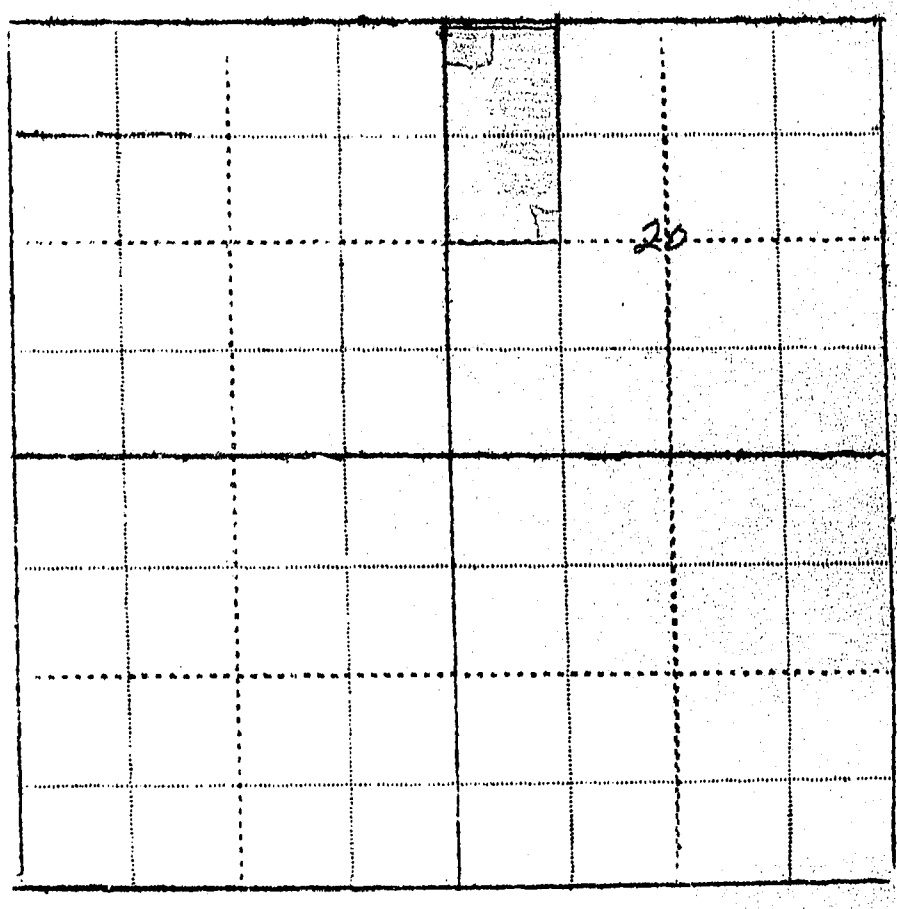
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Jacob Cook Address St. Xavier.
2. Stream Old Mill Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate & Ditch
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity System
6. Original Appropriator Old Mill Ditch Address
7. First Use: Year ~ Acres Irrigated 72
8. Maximum Use: Year ~ Acres Irrigated 72
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated (72) ~~80 est.~~ 72
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Doesn't know as he has used the place for 8 years.
12. Land Description W½NW¼ Sec. 20, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Have 21 shares in Old Mill Ditch. All irrigated from same



WITNESS: Lotte

Information by Jacob Cook

Plaine 1/15/43 M. E.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 996

1. Water User Jacob Cook Address St Xavier, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ Old Mill ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

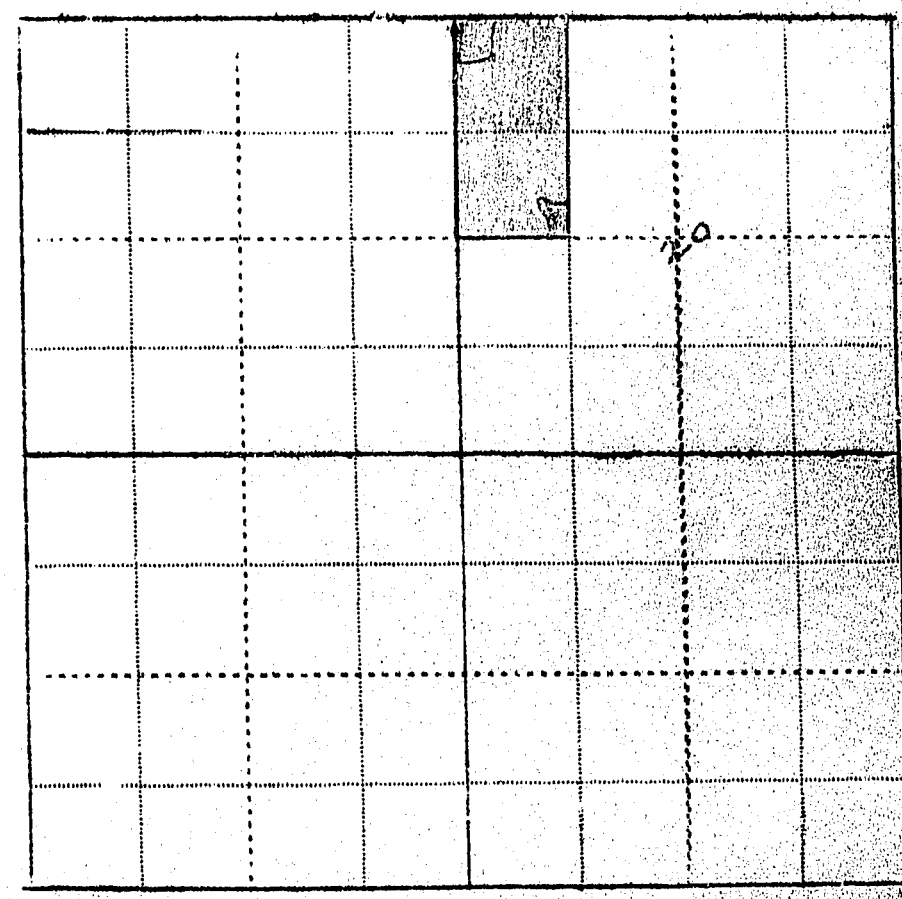
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated (72.0) 80 est

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description W½ NW¼ Sec 20, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: Have 21 Shares in Old Mill ditch



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
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November 24, 1942

Mr. Jacob Cook
St. Xavier, Montana

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Second: Is all of your land irrigated from the old Mill Ditch? If not will you please indicate what portion of it is under another ditch and tell us the number of acres and shares you own in the second ditch company.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

xxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. Jacob Cook
St. Xavier, Montana

Dear Mr. Cook:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJC/rh

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County _____ Source of Information Ava-2325

1. Water User E. M. Coombs Address Box 462 Laurel
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Headgates & Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Co. Address _____
7. First Use: Year ✓ Acres Irrigated ✓
8. Maximum Use: Year 1936 Acres Irrigated 41
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 34
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System _____
12. Land Description NE NE, W E NW NE, Sec 9, T 28, R 24 E

Remarks: They irrigate from the Big Ditch. about 34 A. [illegible] 7 Acres Past. 8 Shares in Big Ditch.

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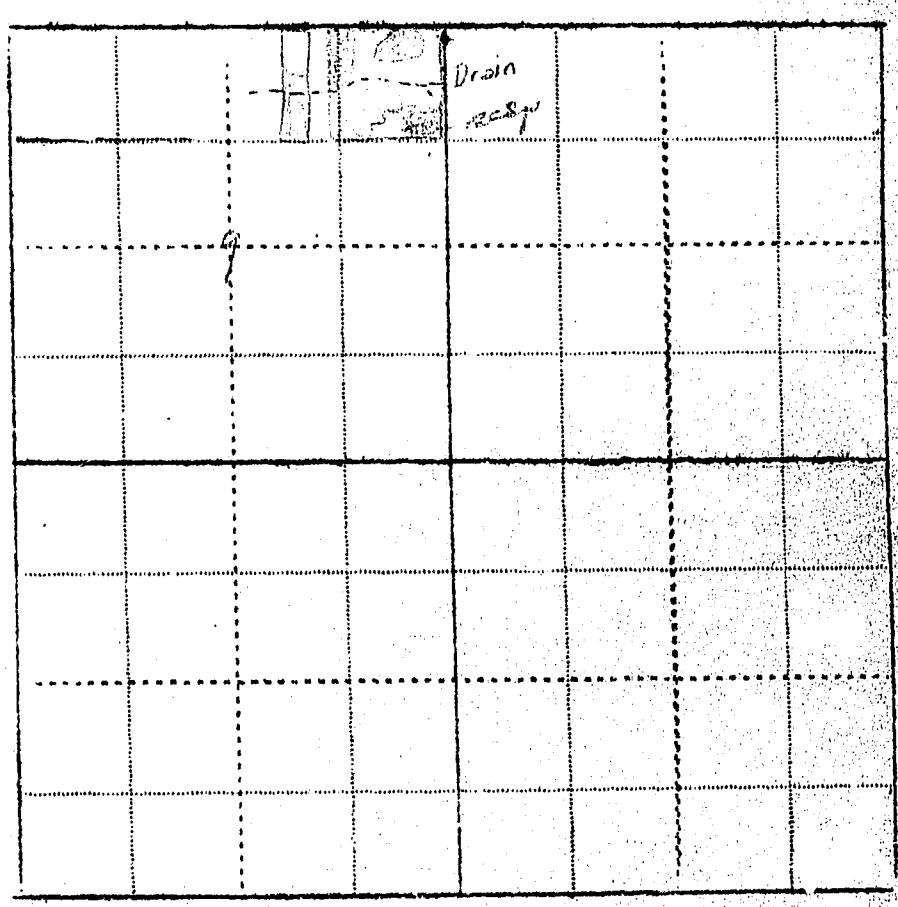

WITNESS: [illegible]

Information by Mrs Fred Brown - daughter of Coombs

Place At the Farm

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone (Also Carbon Co.) Book L Page 318 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator E. M. Coombs Address Carbon Co., Montana
3. Date Appropriated April 1, 1912 Date Filed June 1, 1912

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 3000, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Big Slough Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion A dam across an arm of said river known as Big Slough at a point about 300 ft. east of the intersection of said slough with West line of

   Sec. 2 Twp. 3 So. Rge. 23 E. Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation and domestic
7. Description of System Dam and ditch about 4 ft. wide on bottom, 4 ft. deep and to conduct water to said land by means of said ditch and pumping outfit.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, Sec. 2; NW¼, Sec. 1; Frac. Sections 11 & 12, 3 South 23 East. (Not Yellowstone Co.)
   Frac. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 3 South 24 East (Sec. 6 & 7 not Yellowstone)
   Frac. Sections 28, 29, 31, 32 2 South 24 East
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Transcribed from Water Right Record Book 3, page 204 Carbon Co. Records.
   Water appropriated March 25, 1912.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A. P. Cormier

1. Water User A. P. Cormier Address Blue Creek Star Route, Billings

✓ 2. Stream Big + High + Italian Tributary to Yel. River Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____

4. Description of System ____

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator When ditches were built Big, High + Italian Address Charles D. Camp - 1890

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____

8. Maximum Use: Year 1935 Acres Irrigated 75

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 68.7 15 Hi 5 Italian 48.7 Big

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned ____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description W½SW¼, SW¼NW¼, Sec. 8, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Have 10 shares in High + 5 shares in Big ditch 5 shares in Italian

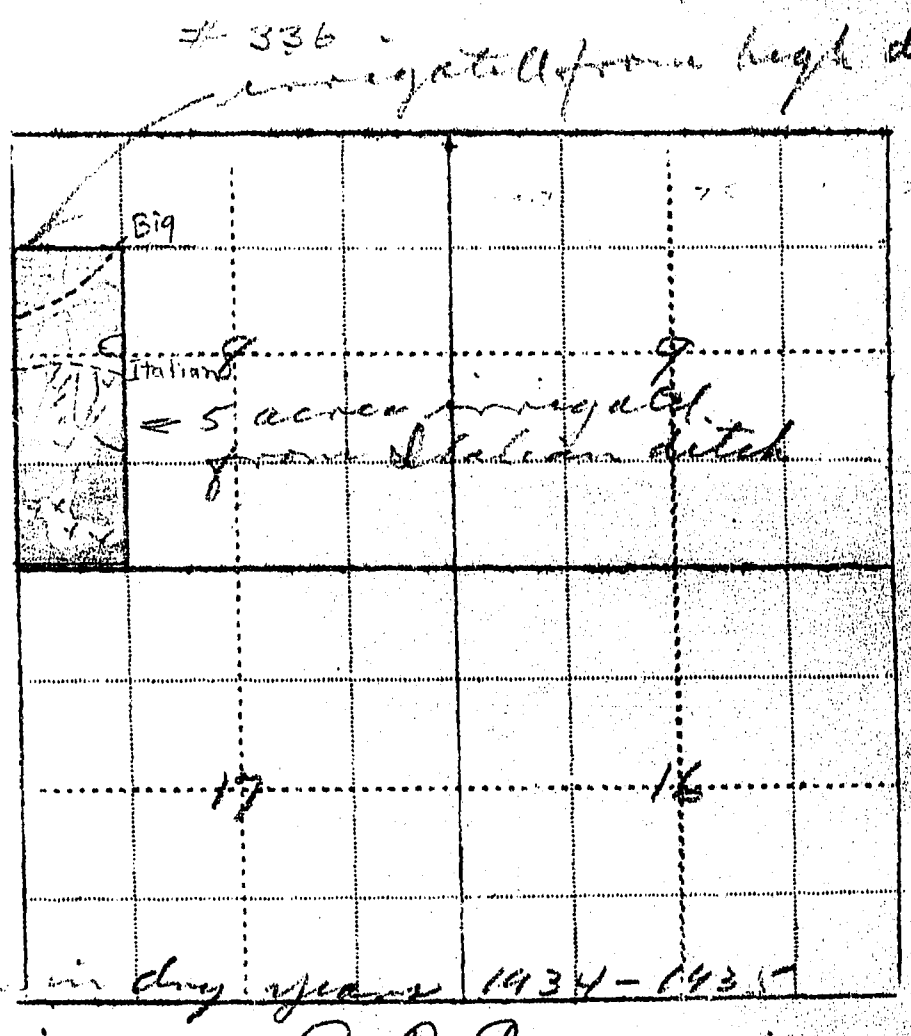
x Has about 25 acres of seeped land

x = seeped land.

Headgate on Big ditch is to high.

Neighbor has been using water from same lateral which causes shortage

have been short of water in dry years 1934-1935



WITNESS: Letter

[signature]

Information by A P Cormier

Place Billings Office

Jan. 8, 1943

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information G.A.G. #1037

1. Water User A. P. Carmier Address Blue Creek Star Rte. Billings

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

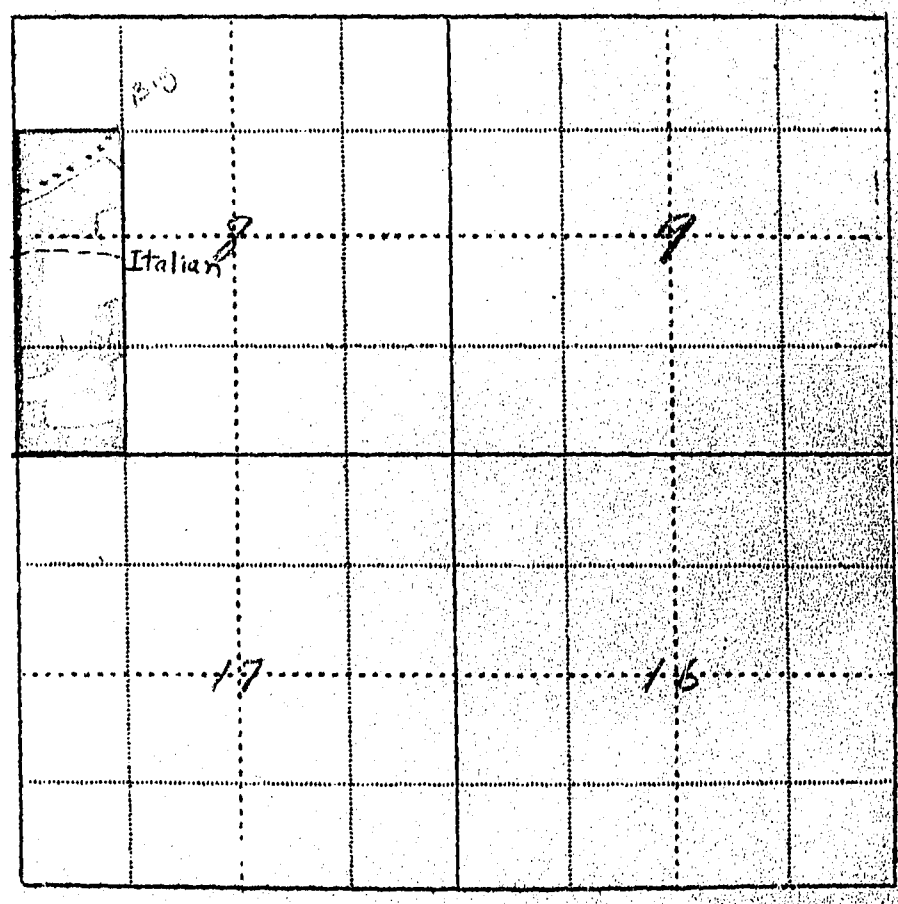
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 68.2

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description W½SW¼ SW NW¼ Sec 8, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: Have 10 shares in High & 5 shares in Big ditch



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. A. P. Cormier
Blue Creek Star Route
Billings, Montana

Dear Mr. Cormier:

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Second: Please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch and note the number of acres in each. Do you irrigate any land from the Italian Ditch? If so please indicate this also.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed s self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated land will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

xxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. A. P. Cormier
Bitter Creek Star Route
Billings, Montana

Dear Mr. Cormier:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

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Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 62 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Charles D. Camp Address Laurel, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated May 14, 1890 Date Filed May 14, 1890

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 400, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Bald Hill Creek & its tributaries Tributary Basin
X 5. Point of Diversion

   2nd

   Sec. 36 Twp. 1S Rge. 23E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation, watering stock, domestic & other.
7. Description of System dams & ditch - 48 in. by 36 in.

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use

   N½ SW¼ Sec. 8 2S. 24 E.

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) X - Ditches are a continuation of Bald Hill Creek & runs S.E. to dam in SE¼ Sec 6 - 2S 24E then SE to place of use.

   Appropriation made Oct. 15 1889

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed

FORM SM-1

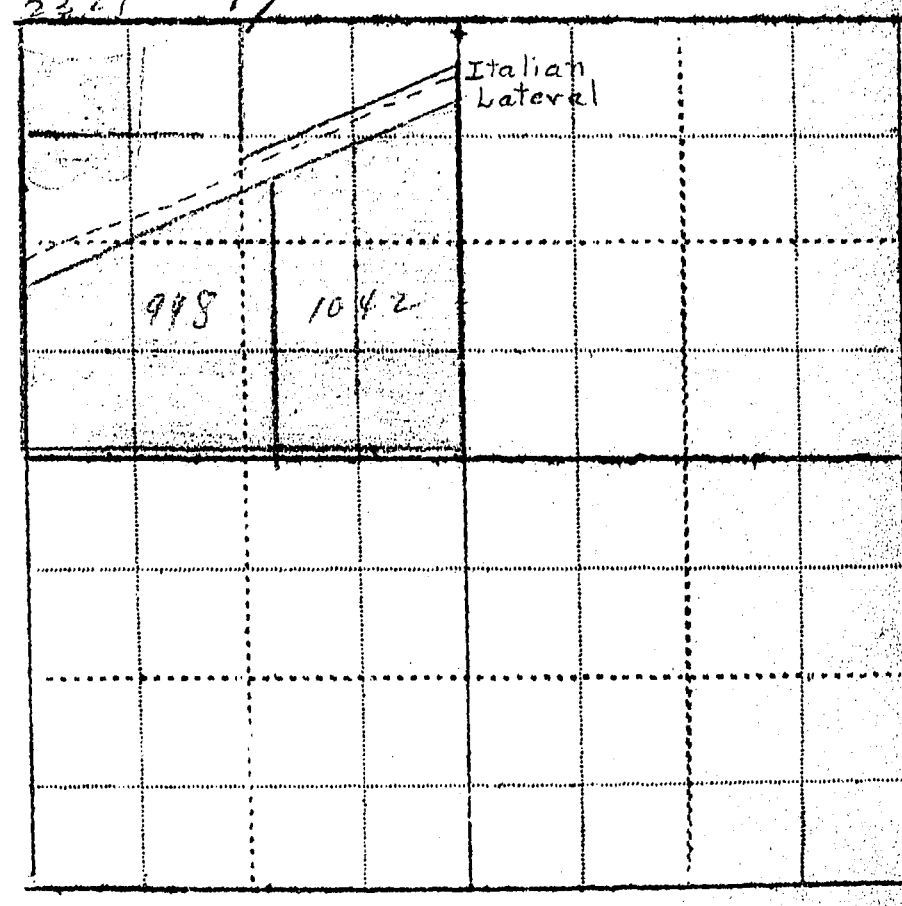
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User M. W. Cramer Address Laurel
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 47.0 A.A.A. Total 373.1
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Part of N½NW¼, Sec. 17, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Has 28 shares Big Ditch irrigated from Big Ditch



WITNESS: Letter

Information by G. W. Fenton

Place Billings office

Nov 25 1942

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User M. W. Cramer Address Laurel
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System
5. Type of Irrigation
6. Original Appropriator Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~163.7~~ 256.00
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System
12. Land Description NE¼, 60 A. in NW¼, 50 A. in SW¼, Sec. , T 2S , R 24E

14. Ownership shows all NW¼

Remarks:

Has 28 Shares in
Big Ditch
irrigated from
Big Ditch

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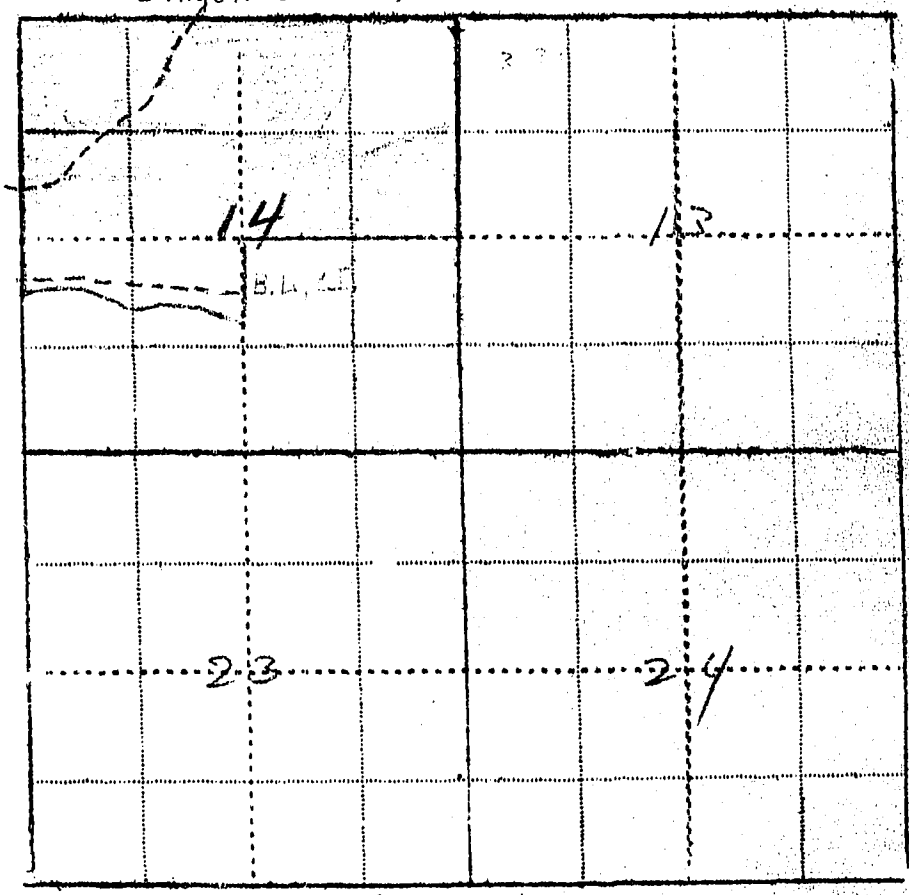

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Information by G. W. Fenton

Place Billings Office

Nov 25, 1942

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. M. W. Cramer
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Cramer:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land which is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below
From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate and how many acres under each?
How many shares do you have in each ditch company?
Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 2327

1. Water User M.W. Cramer Address Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch + old mill Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Ditch Co's Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 47.0 [illegible]

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Part of Mr NW¼ Sec 17, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____

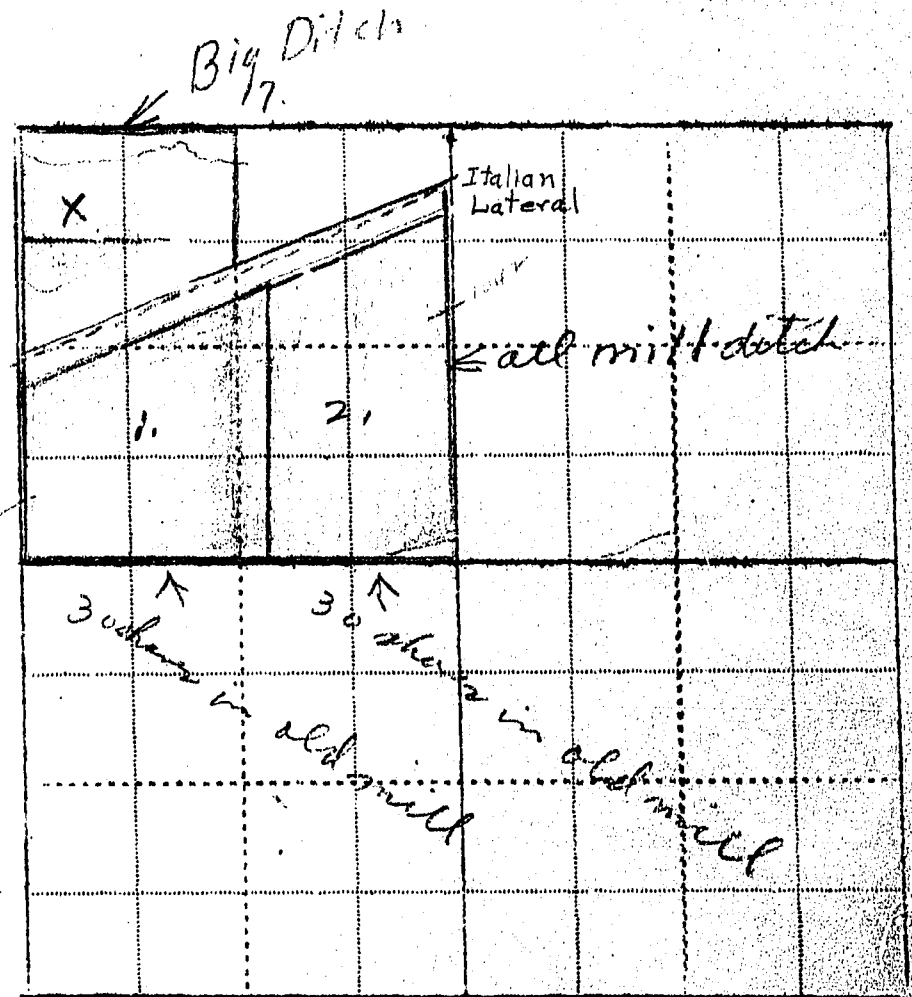
[illegible] shows as [illegible]

? 28 shares under Big Ditch

60 shares in old mill ditch

Pieces 1 + 2 irrigated from old Mill Ditch

Piece marked X irrigated from Big Ditch



WITNESS: [illegible]

Information by Phillip Frank Jr

Place Billings

Nov. 27 1942

old [illegible] 326.1 [illegible]

✓ Big 47

373.1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 998

1. Water User NE Cramer % M.W. Cramer Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 139.5

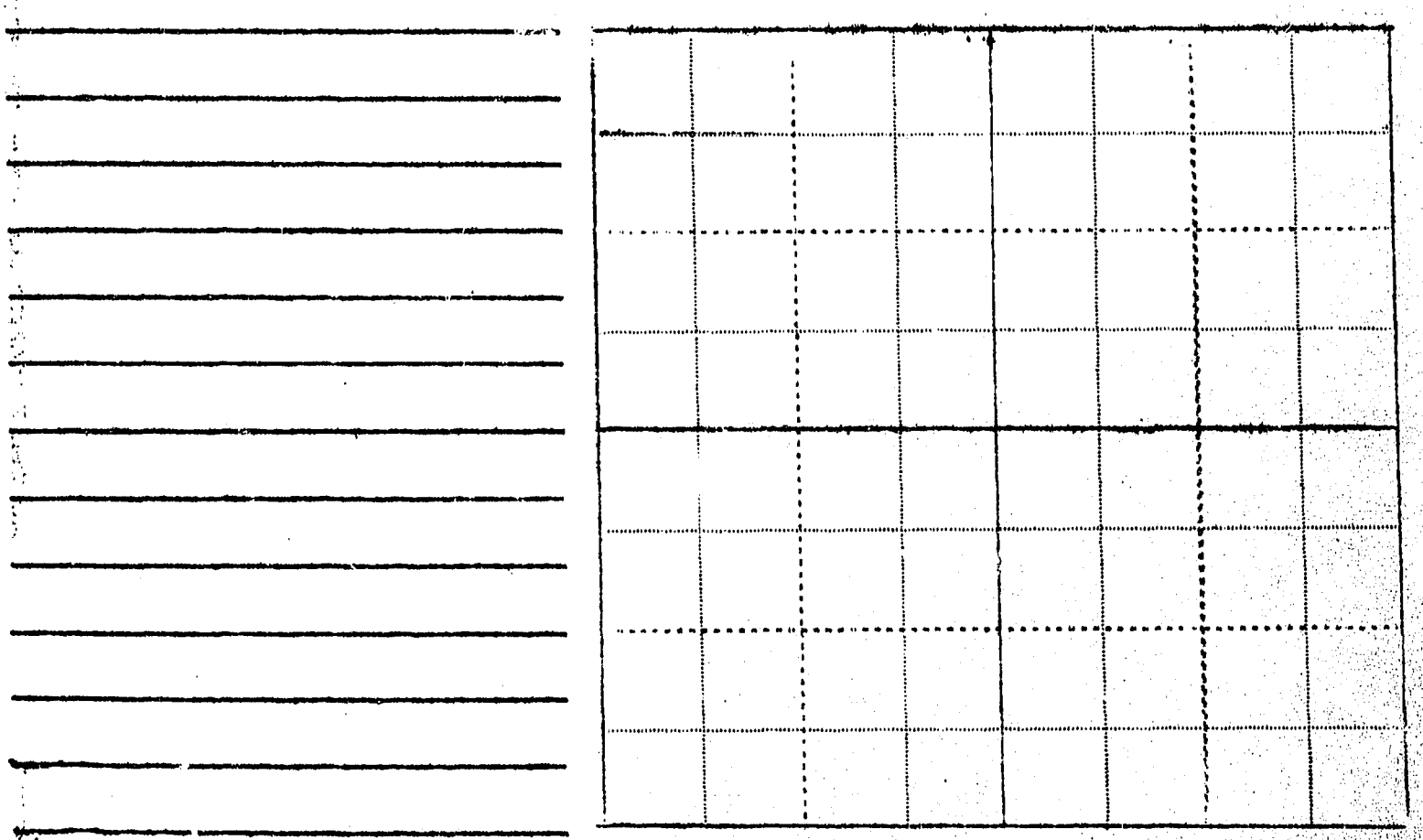
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lots 8-14 So of RR Sec 17, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____

Tenant Philip P. Frank Rte 1 - Box 43 - Laurel



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 1042

1. Water User N. E. Cramer to M. W. Cramer Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 186.6

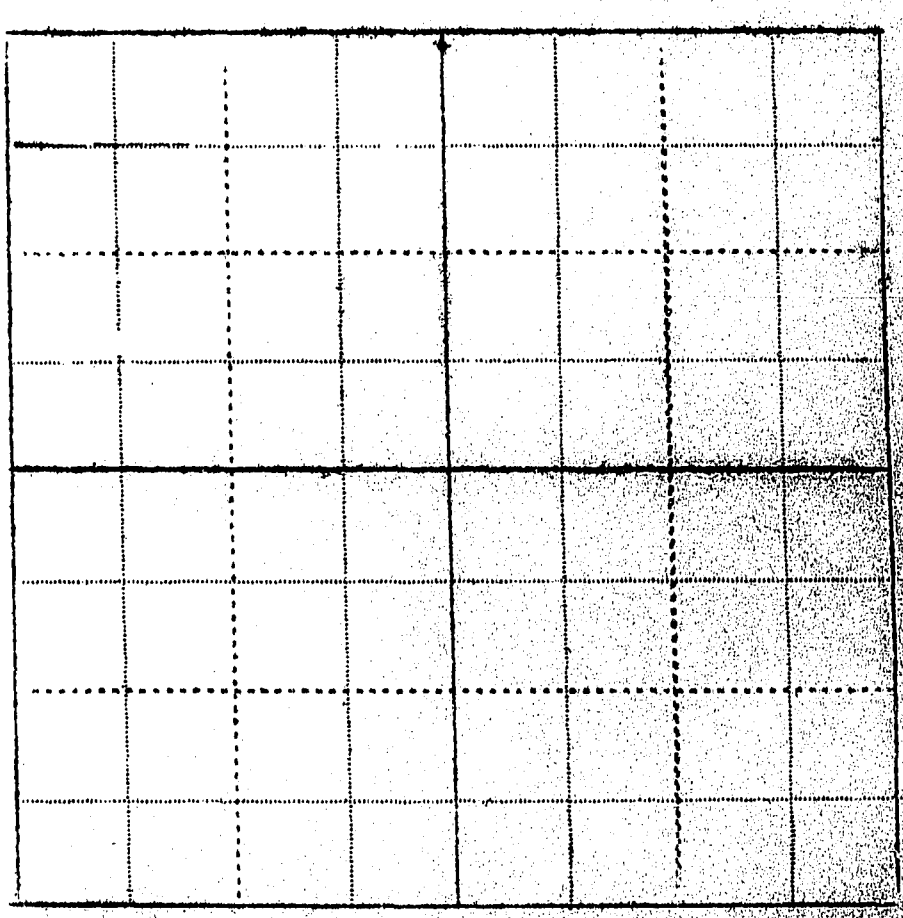
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lot 15 - 25 A in E ½ So of RR Sec 17, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____

Tenant Jacob Bernhart Laurel



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

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M. W. Cramer
Sec 14 2S 24E

14A

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 964

1. Water User M. W. Cramer Address Laurel Mont

2. Stream ..... Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System .....

5. Type of Irrigation .....

6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

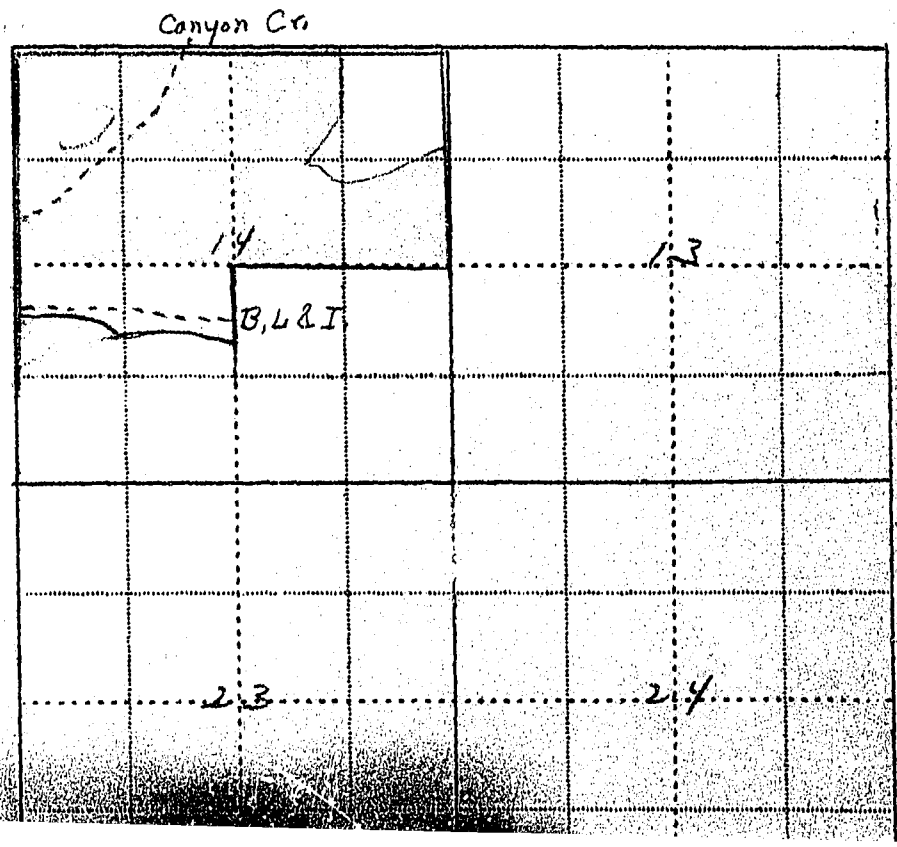
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 163.7 256

10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....

11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description NE¼, 60A in NW¼, 50A in SW¼, Sec 14, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: .....



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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information aaa #951

1. Water User M. W. Crane Address Laurel, Mont

2. Stream ..... Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System .....

5. Type of Irrigation .....

6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

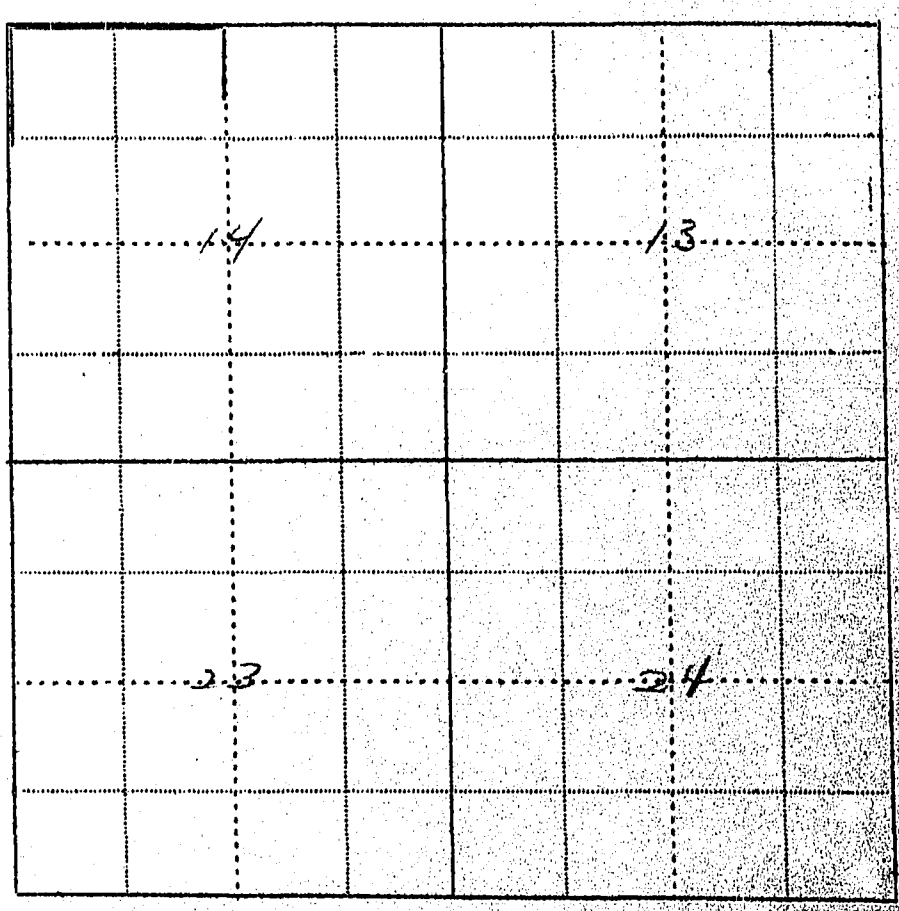
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 92.3

10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....

11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description Part of NW¼ Sec. 14, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: .....



WITNESS: ..... Information by .....

Place .....

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

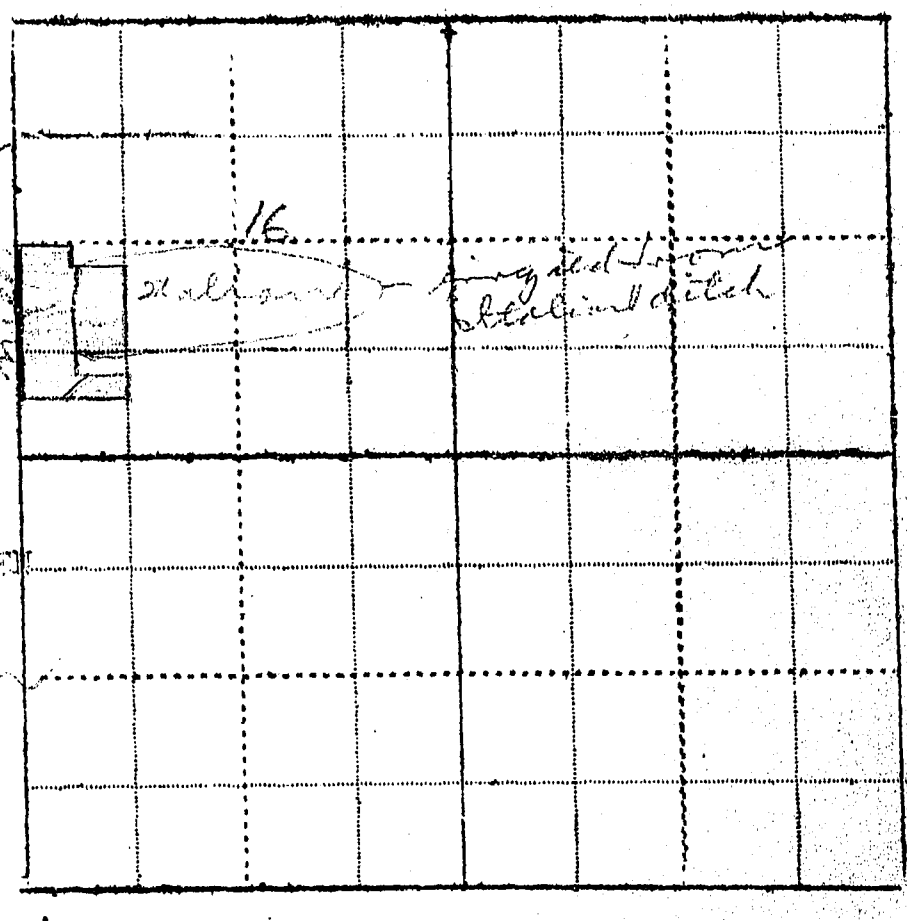
1. Water User John Darham Address Laurel
2. Stream Italian & OLD MILL DITCH Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System FLOOD
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Ditch Co's Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 10 A. in farm 8 cropland 45 acres irrigated Ownership 50 A. 45 est
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System FAIR
12. Land Description A.A.A. NE¼NW¼NW¼, Sec. 16 Ownership Bk. NW¼SW¼, N½N½SW¼SW¼, Sec. 16T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: has 4 ITALIAN 7 SHARES OLD MILL DITCH shares under Italian ditch

Our record shows that you irrigate 45 acres is this correct?

THIS IS APPROXIMATELY CORRECT. THERE IS A NATURAL DRAIN WHICH IS NOT FIT TO FARM, ROAD ON EACH SIDE TAKEN OUT 45 IS CLOSE.

John Darham



WITNESS: Letter Information by

Place

Italian - 16 acres
[illegible] - 29

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. John Darham
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Darham:

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Second: Is all of your land irrigated from the Italian Ditch?
If you do irrigate from more than one ditch, please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch.

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Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 6121 & ownership

1. Water User John Dahlman Address Laurel, Mont

2. Stream Italian Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 10 Ah farms 8 cropland - Ownership 50 A. 45 each

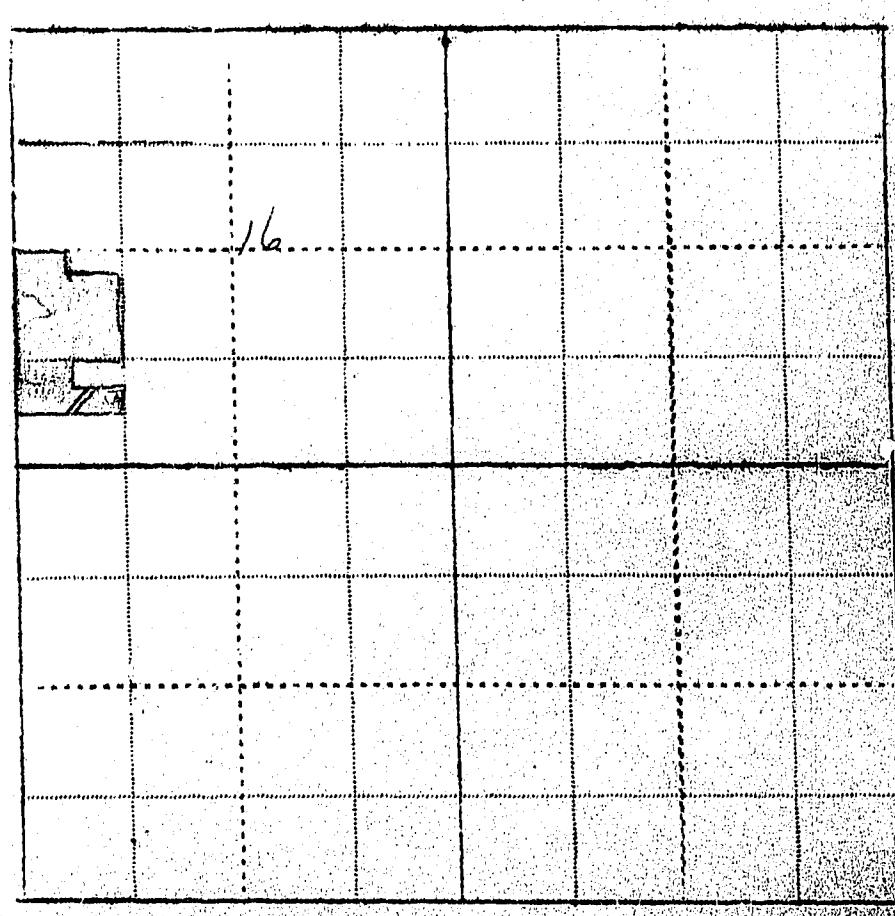
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Addn NE NW SW & Sec 16 Ownership Bank - NW SW & NW SW SW, Sec 16, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

has 4 shares under Italian ditch



WITNESS:

Information by

FORM SM-1 [redacted] 2 K

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & Photo

1. Water User Marie Crumley Address Box 91 - Laurel

2. Stream Italian Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Italian Ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated ✓

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated ✓

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 3

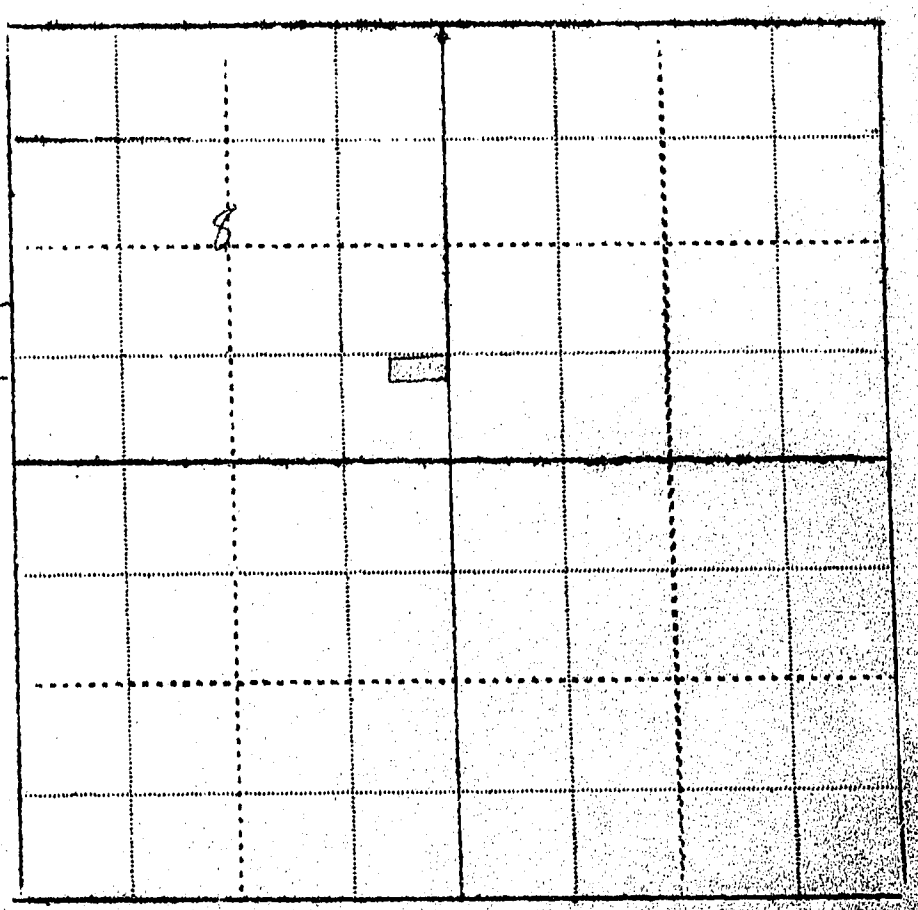
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good, small tract outside of Laurel

12. Land Description Frac. SESE Sec 8, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Contacted
Oct. 13 1942
These tracts are not
farmed but used
mostly for Gardens
Most houses have
city water for
household purposes



WITNESS: _____ Information by S. J. Orange

Place Laurel, Mont.

Verified by personal contact G.J.O. Oct. 10, 1942

xxxxxxxx
Billings,
Oct. 12, 1942

Marie Crumley
Box 91
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Crumley:

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all the water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water. This survey will cover all water uses and will include water rights established by use only as well as those which are recorded or decreed.

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state.

We are therefore asking you to help us. The inclosed form is being sent to you for information pertaining to your use of water on the land therein described. Our records show that you own 3 acres of land in section 8 Township 2 south Range 24 east and that it is all irrigated. The source of water being the Big ditch. We would like to know if the above statement is correct. Please write under remarks on the inclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct give us the correct information, and return the form to us. Any additional information pertaining to you may aid us in correctly appraising your land.

Inclosed you will find a self addressed envelope which does not require any postage.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

FORM SM-1 8J

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership + Photo

1. Water User Henry De Wald Address Laurel

2. Stream Italian Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch.

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated /

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated /

9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated /

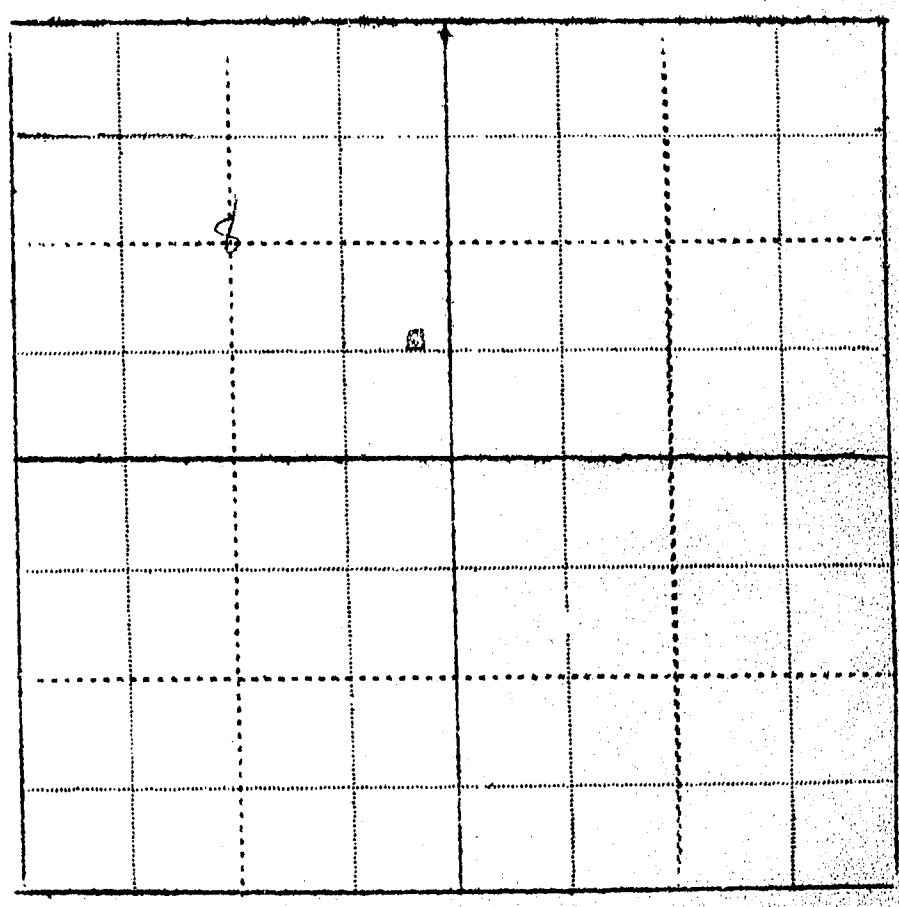
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description [illegible] Sec 8, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Irrigated from the Italian ditch but no shares listed. (probably uses neighbors water)



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Henry De Wald

Place Billings, Oct 27, 1942

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Billings, Oct. 15, 1942

Henry DeWold
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. DeWold

We are making a survey of allthe irrigated lands in the Yellowstone drainage basin. The purpose of this survey is to find the total irrigable acres in this basin. The findings are to be presented to the Yellowstone River Compact Commission, and are to be used in the State Engineers Office.

We are therefore asking you to help us. Our records show that you own 1 acre in the NESE¼ of section 8, and that it is all irrigated. We would like to know if our record is correct, and from what ditch you get your water to irrigate. Please write under remarks on the inclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct give us the correct information.

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Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Henry De Wald Address Laurel

2. Stream Tributary to Basin Yel

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 1

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

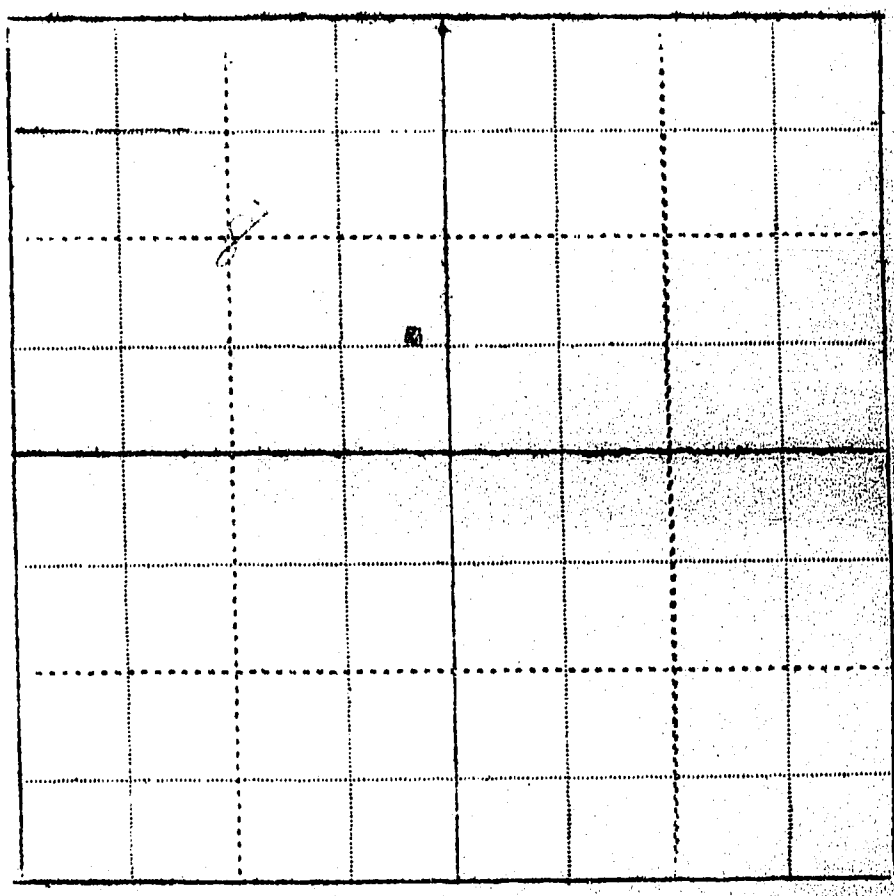
11. Condition of System

12. Land Description [illegible] NE SE¼ Sec 8, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

[illegible]

Italian Ditch.



WITNESS: [illegible] Information by

Place

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

ounty Y'stone Source of Information Ownership & Photo

. Water User W.R. Davis Address Box 937 - ~~Laurel~~ Park City

. Stream Italian Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Italian Ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 3

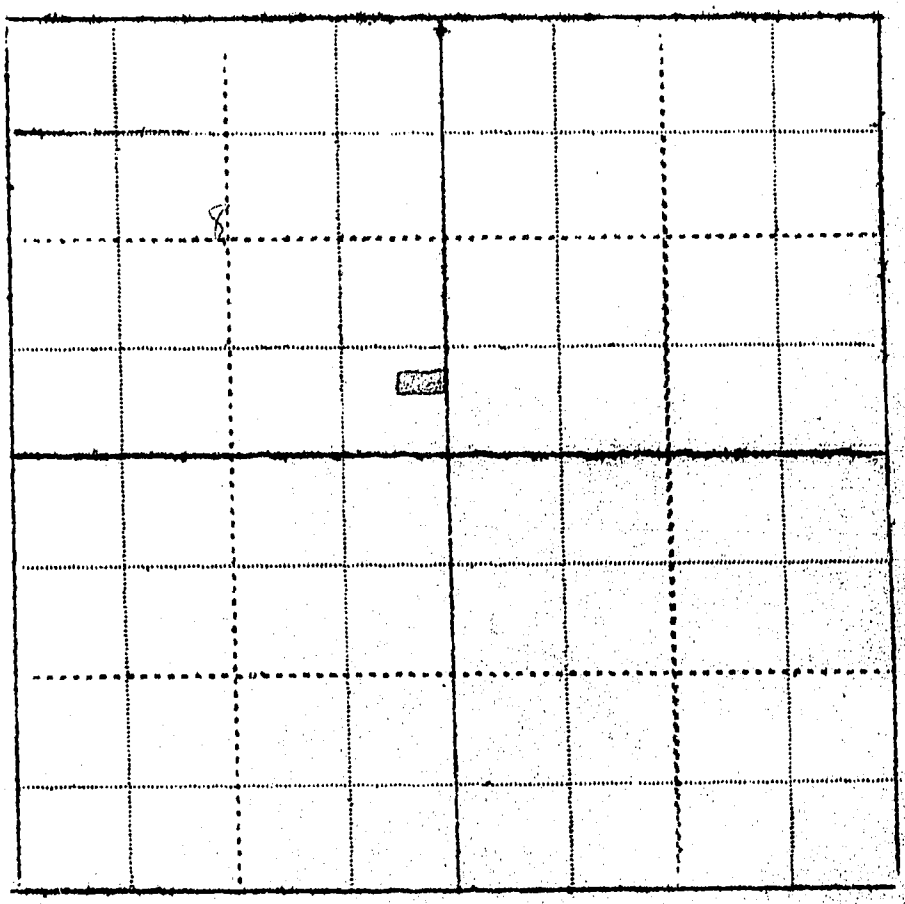
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac. SE 1/4 Sec 8, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

has 2 shares in ditch



WITNESS: G. J. O. Information by observation + neighbors

Place Laurel

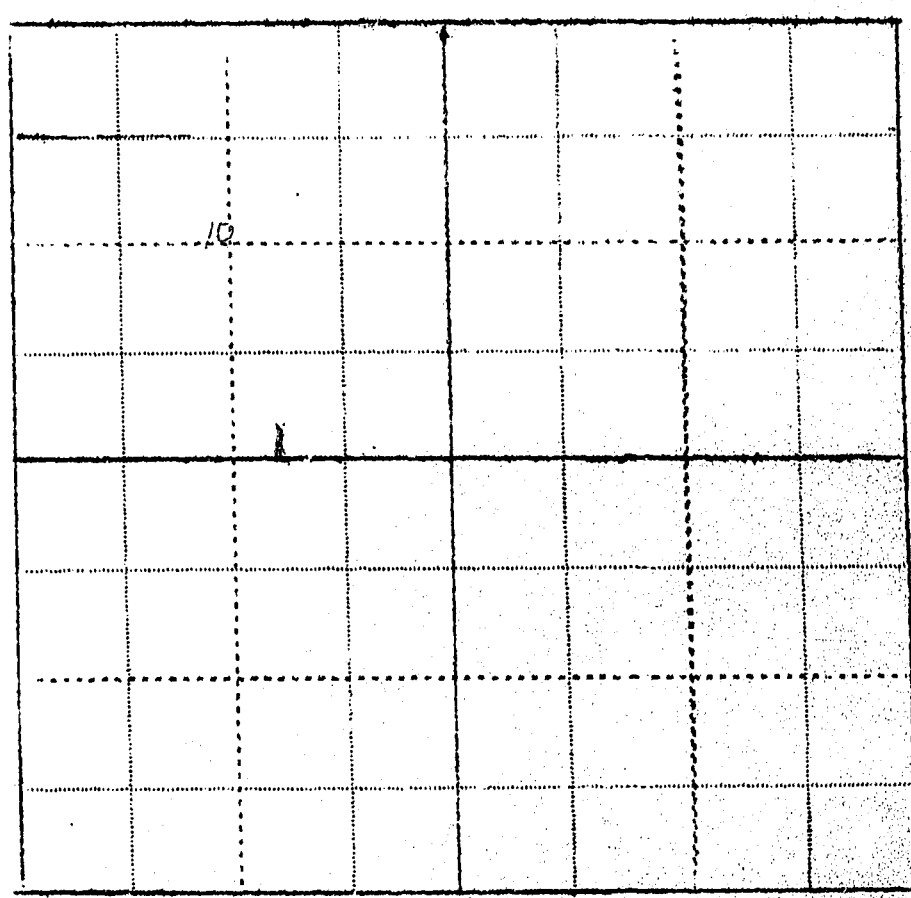
FORM SM-1 C6 10Y

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Ystone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User E.C. Durrer Address Laurel
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Small ditch.
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address _____
7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated 60
8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated 60
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 60
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned —
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Frac. SW¼SE¼ Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: No owners listed under ditch Co, (possibly in some other name)



WITNESS: [illegible]
Oct. 4, 1942

Information by Phone
Place Billings

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User N.B. + Ida Eshom Address Laurel

✓ 2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Yellowstone R Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Small ditches

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Co Address

7. First Use: Year ✓ Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year ✓ Acres Irrigated 3½

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 4 less ½ drain ditch always irrigated

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good

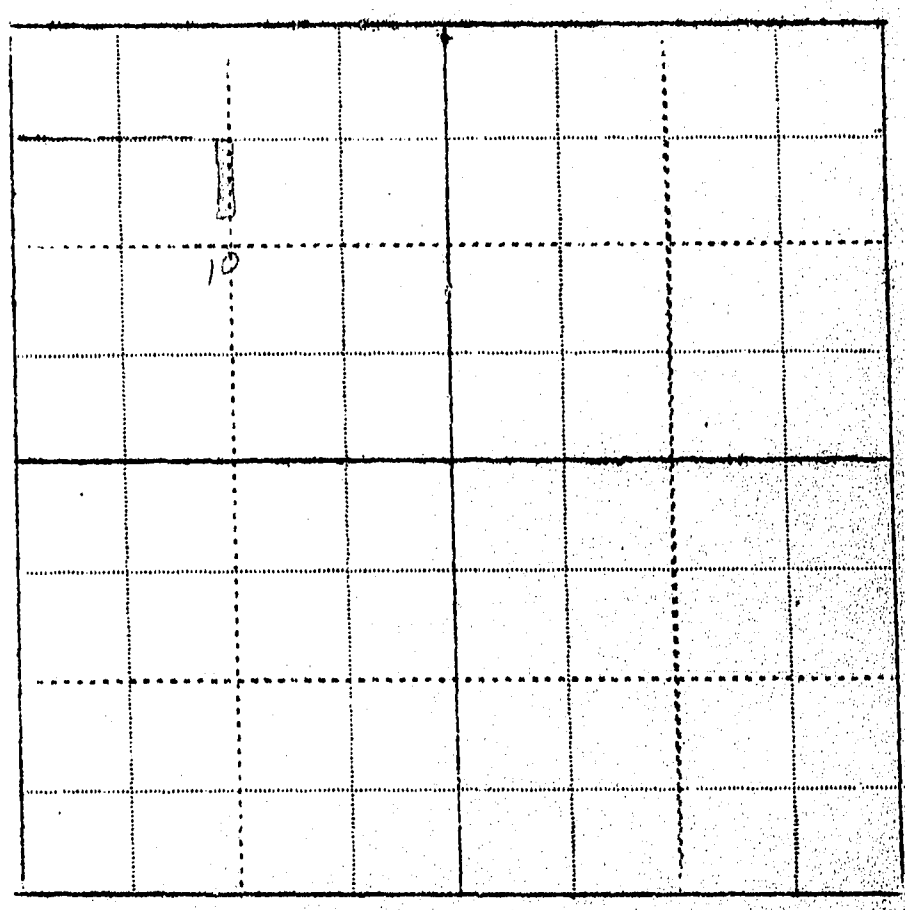
12. Land Description Frac SE NW¼ Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: 1 share Big

½ of drain ditch comes off

their land

Info verified by phone 10/14/42



WITNESS: Mrs. Barker Information by Phone

Oct. 14, 1942 Place Billings Mont.

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County Yellowstone Source of Information

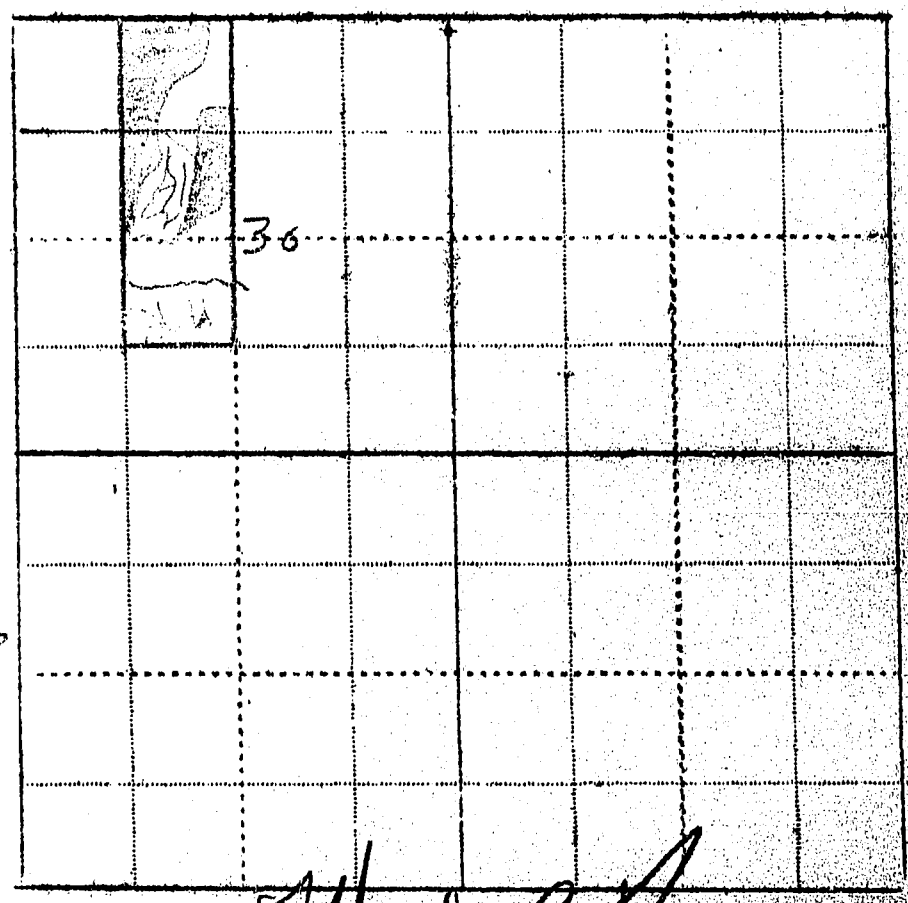
1. Water User Mearl Fagg Address Billings
2. Stream Old Mill Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Old Mill ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year — Acres Irrigated 120
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 35
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned 25 acres Seepage
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description E½NW¼, NE¼SW¼, Sec. 30, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Expect to irrigate
Most of this when
Draw gear through.
MLF

Has 10 Shares
in the Old mill
ditch.

Present 35 A
Pr 35 A
Tot 120 A



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Mearl L Fagg

Place

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Watson Source of Information AAA 2323

1. Water User Mark Fagg Address Billings Mont.

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

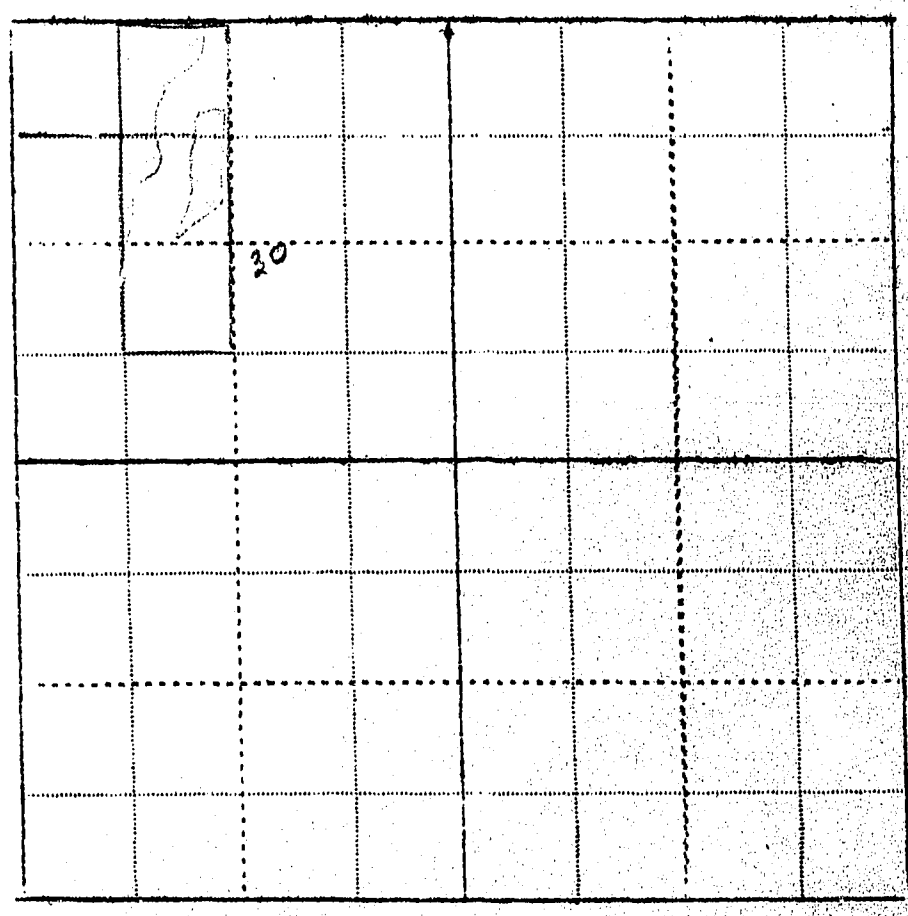
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 35

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description E Mont, NE Sec, Sec 30 , T 2S , R 24E

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
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November 23, 1942

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1 Locust
Billings, Montana

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Assistant Engineer

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User G. W. Fenton Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian A Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate & laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres ~~Irrigated~~

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 94

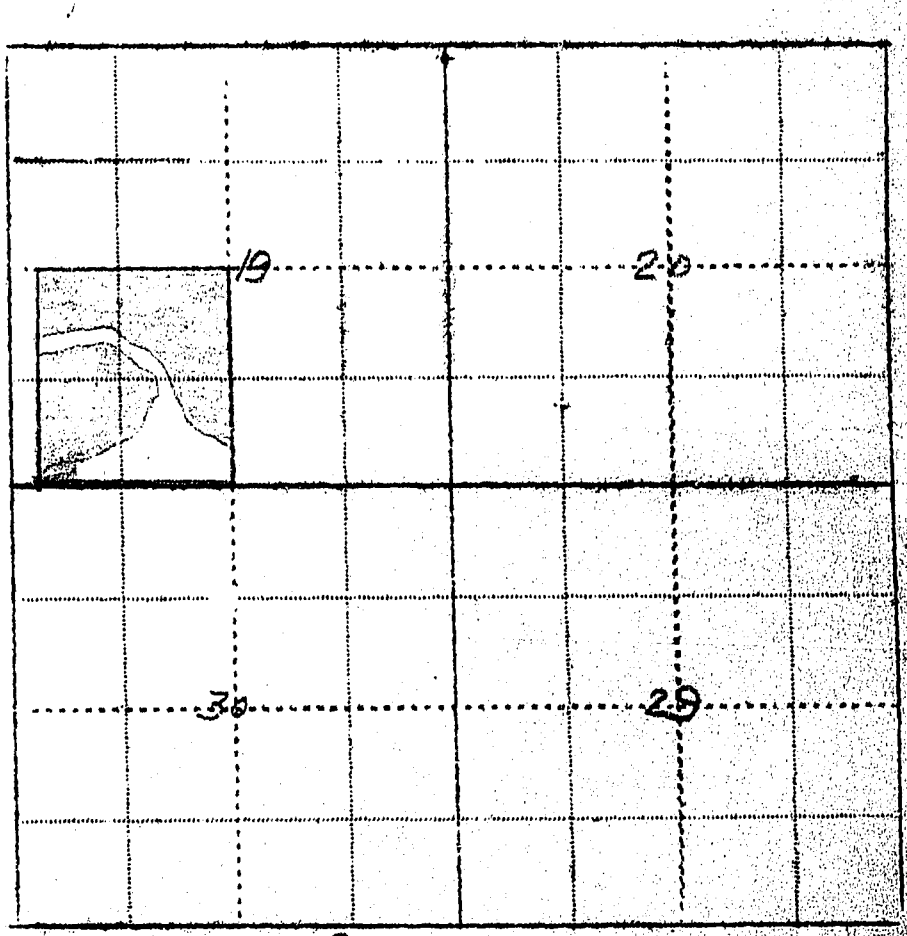
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description SW¼, Sec. 19, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Has 66 shares
Old Mill Ditch
20 shares
Italian ditch
acquired from
Italian ditch



WITNESS: Letter
S.C.

Information by G. W. Fenton

Place Billings office

Nov 25, 1942

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User G. W. Fenton ~~[illegible]~~ Address Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ old mill ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates flumes
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Oldmill Ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~152.2~~ 170.
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description E½NE¼, Lot 1; SW¼NE¼, SE¼NW¼, NE¼SW¼, Lots 2 & 3, Sec. 20, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

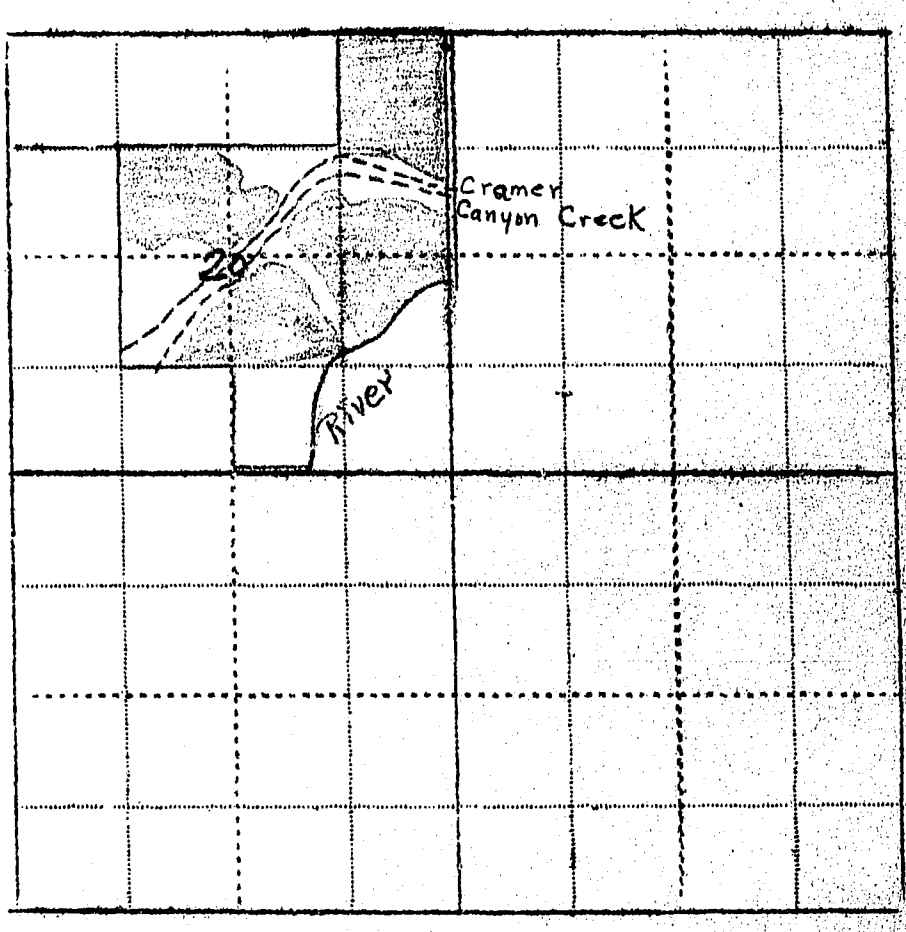
Old Mill Ditch (Bill Fenton)

~~have 5 shares~~

66 Shares

all irrigated from

old Mill Ditch



WITNESS: Letter

Information by G. W. Fenton

Place Billings Office

Nov 25, 1942

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 1030

1. Water User G. W. Fenton Address Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch + Italian Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Ditch Co'r. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

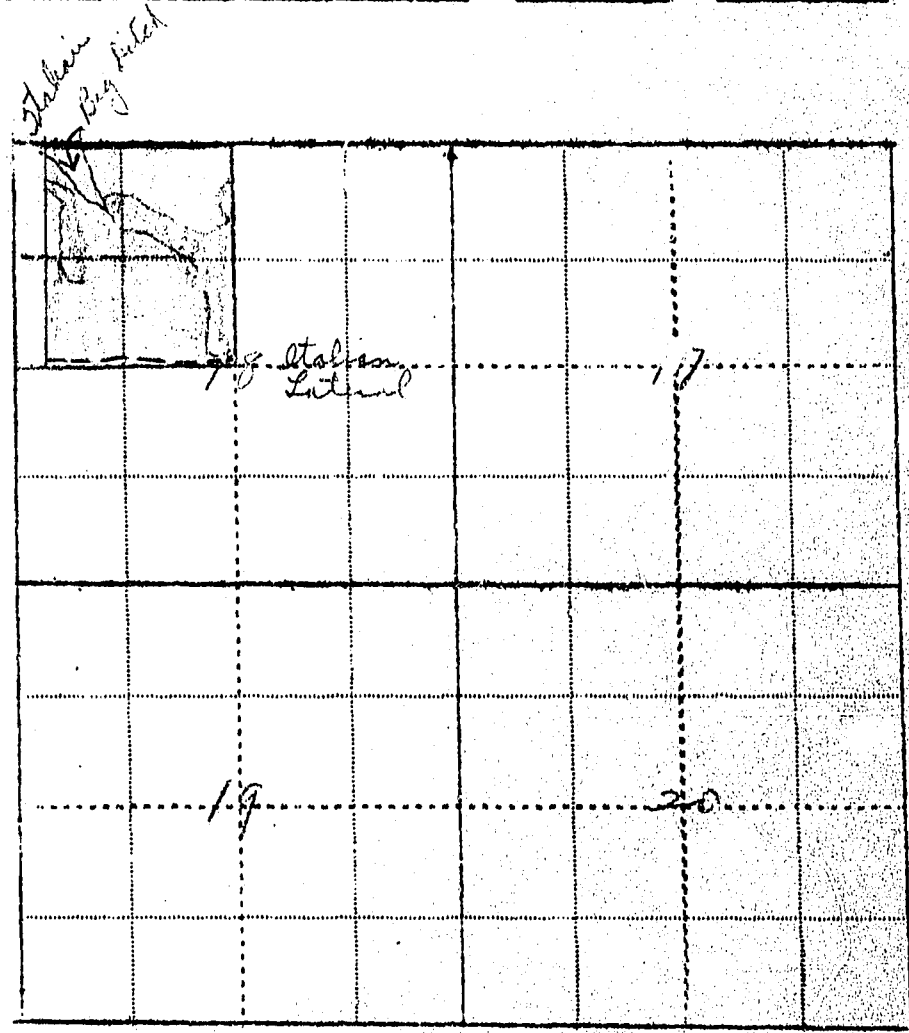
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ~~109~~ 150

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description NW¼ Sec 18, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: Non irrigated as shown by AAA all drained & is irrigable now. Mr Fenton has 6 shares in Big Ditch which irrigates 30 A. Italian Ditch irrigates the other 120 A. 20 Shares in Italian



WITNESS: M. E. Kosko Information by G. W. Fenton

Place Office

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 994

1. Water User G. W. Fenton & L. Fenton Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ old mill ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~152.2~~ 170.

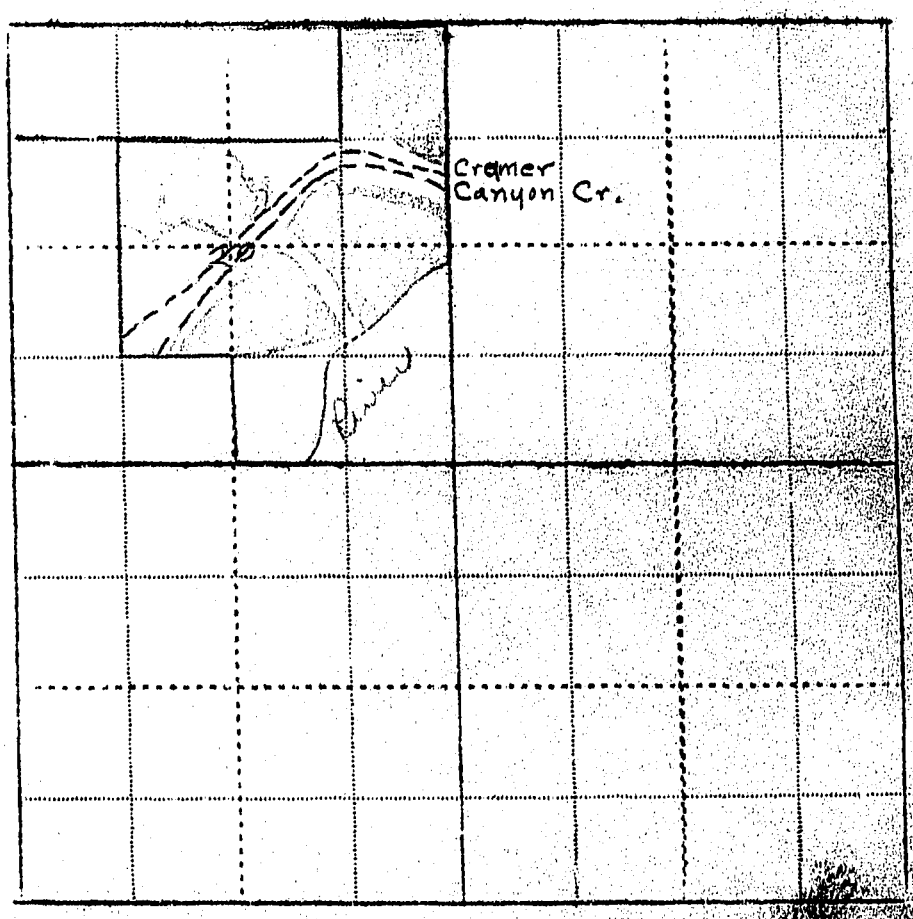
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible], T 2S, R 24E.
Lots 2 & 3 Sec 20

Remarks: _____

have 66 shares in old mill ditch



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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FORM SM-1

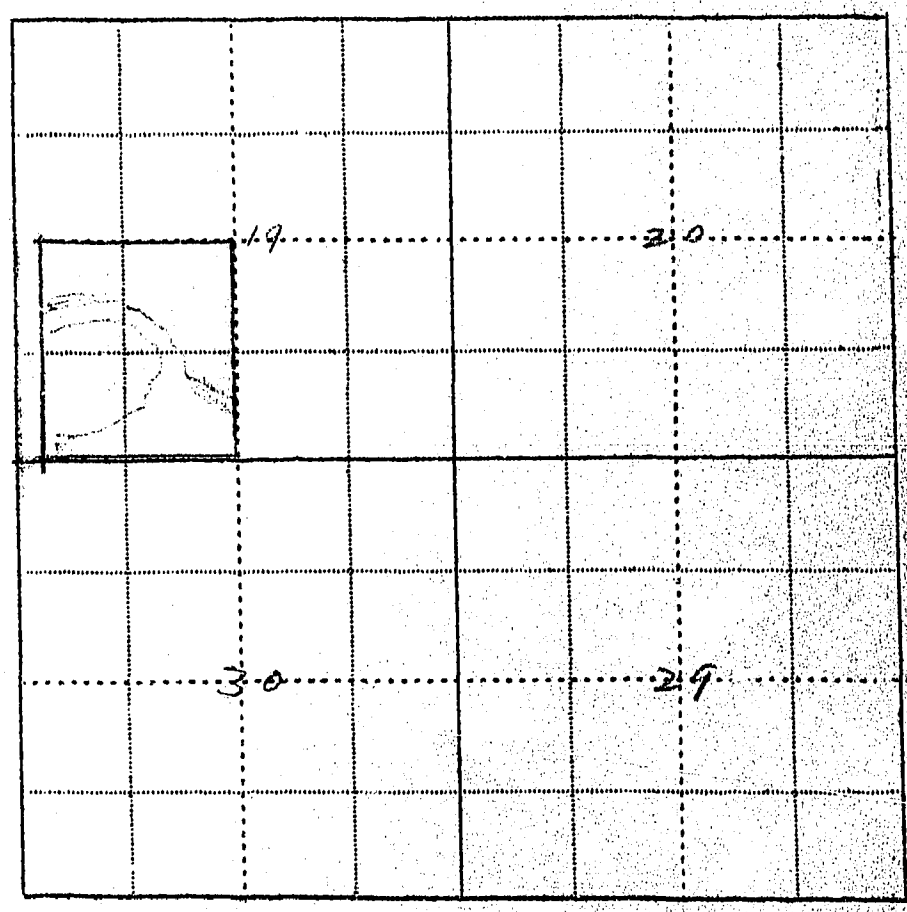
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A. A. A. # 1049

1. Water User G.W. Fenton Address Laurel Mont.
2. Stream old mill ditch Tributary to ..... Basin .....
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....
4. Description of System .....
5. Type of Irrigation .....
6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....
7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....
8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 94.0
10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....
11. Condition of System .....
12. Land Description SW¼ Sec 19 , T 28 , R 24E

Remarks:

have 66 shares
in old mill ditch



WITNESS: Letter

Information by .....

Place .....

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. G. W. Fenton, % E.L. Fenton
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Fenton:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below.
From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate, and how many acres under each?
How many shares do you have in each ditch company?
Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravets
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone + Carbon Source of Information

1. Water User Cora Fleming, % R. J. Williams Address ~~Laurel~~ 616 No. 28 St Apt. 3 Billings

2. Stream Mason Canal Tributary to Yel R. Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion Same as Canal Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Row type Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Henry C Byan Address Billings

7. First Use: Year 1900 Acres Irrigated ?

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 67

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~[illegible]~~ 64 - 57-Yellowstone County 7-Carbon County

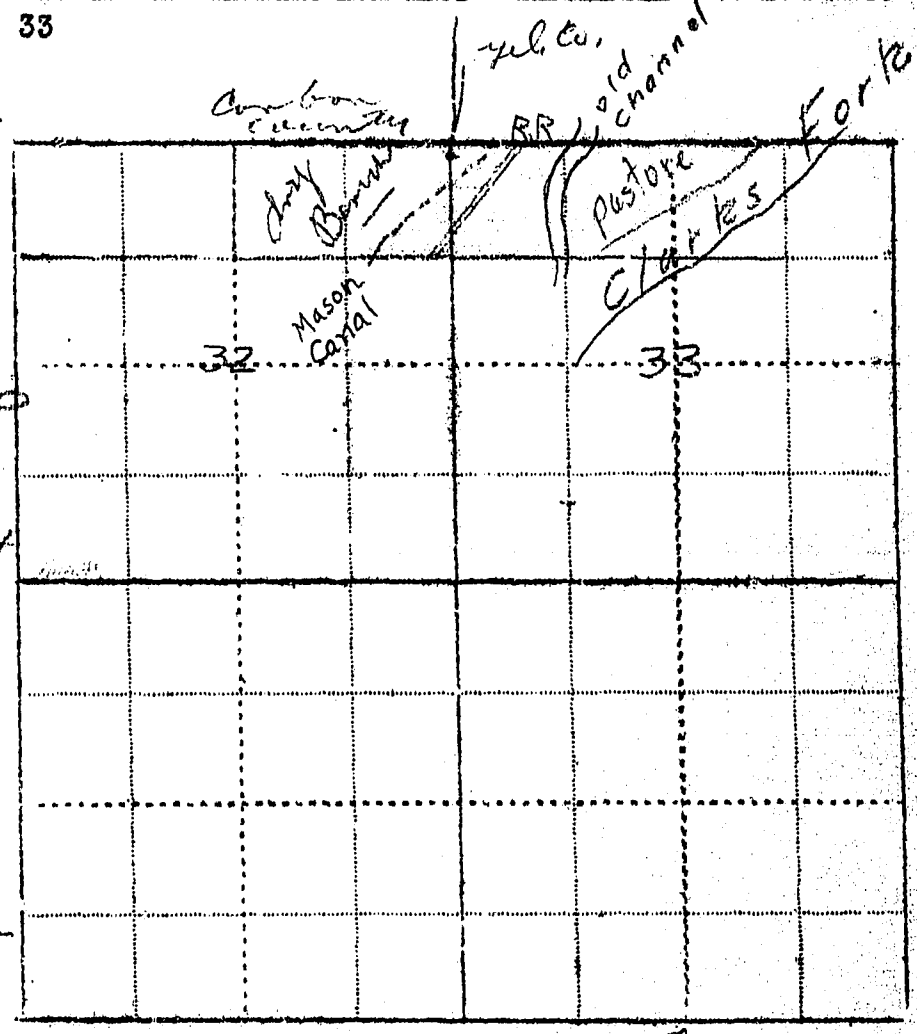
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned 57

11. Condition of System Good,

12. Land Description N½NE¼, Sec. 32, NW¼NW¼, Lots 2 & 3, , T 2S , R 24E
Sec. 33

Remarks:

Has 44.56 shares in Mason Canal is all good land irrigated from the mason Canal? 10 acres of seeped land but wouldn't pay to drain. Pasture is sub-irrigated from Clarks Forks River



WITNESS: Letter Information by Cora A. Fleming

Place

FORM SM-1 R. J. Williams 203 W [redacted] st. 32 B 33 A

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA - 969

1. Water User Cora Fleming, % R. J. Williams Address Laurel Mont St., Bldg. 320 N. 33

2. Stream Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 92.7

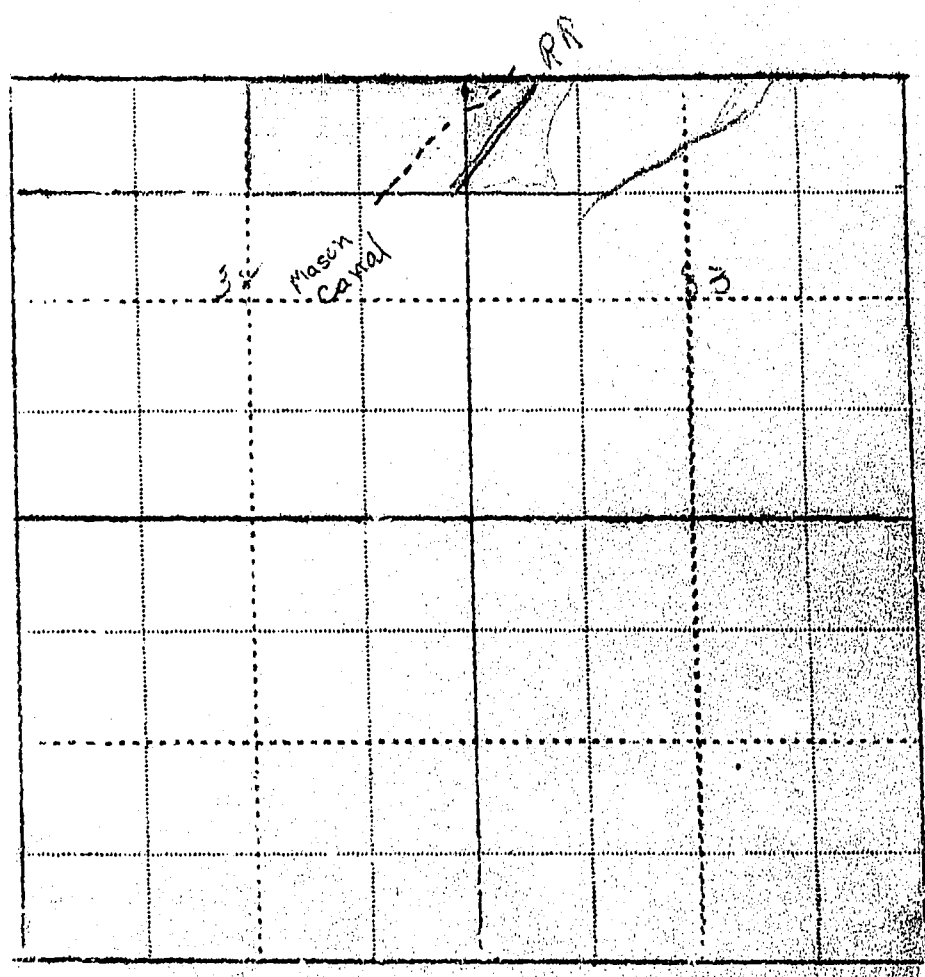
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description NNE¼ Sec 32, NW¼ NW¼ Lt 2 & 3 Sec 33, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

Has 44.56 shares in mason Canal



WITNESS

Information by

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Miss Cora Fleming
% R. J. Williams
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Fleming:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below.
Fromll of your dand irrigated from the Mason Canal?
If not will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from another ditch, the number of acres and tell us the number of shares you own in the second ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1943

Miss Cora Fleming
% E. J. Williams
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Fleming:

On November 23, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 549.66 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 5777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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Billings
March 15, 1943

Mr. R. J. Williams
203 W. First
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Williams:

On November 23, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to the irrigated land of Cora Fleming, % R. J. Williams, the land being located in Township 2 South, Range 24 East. On January 4, 1943 we sent you another letter asking you to submit the information 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 the State, be investigated. The State Engineer shall, either before or after the bringing of such action (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 direction 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.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

CC

R. J. WILLIAMS & SON

Agents
Insurance
LAUREL, MONTANA

April 1, 1943

Mr. Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer
Billings, Montana

Dear Sir:

Miss C. A. Fleming lives in Billings, and I believe you should take all matters in-regard to her farm to her.

Miss Fleming's address is 320 N. 33rd St. Billings, Montana.

Very truly yours,

R. J. Williams & Son

By

THE American Insurance Group

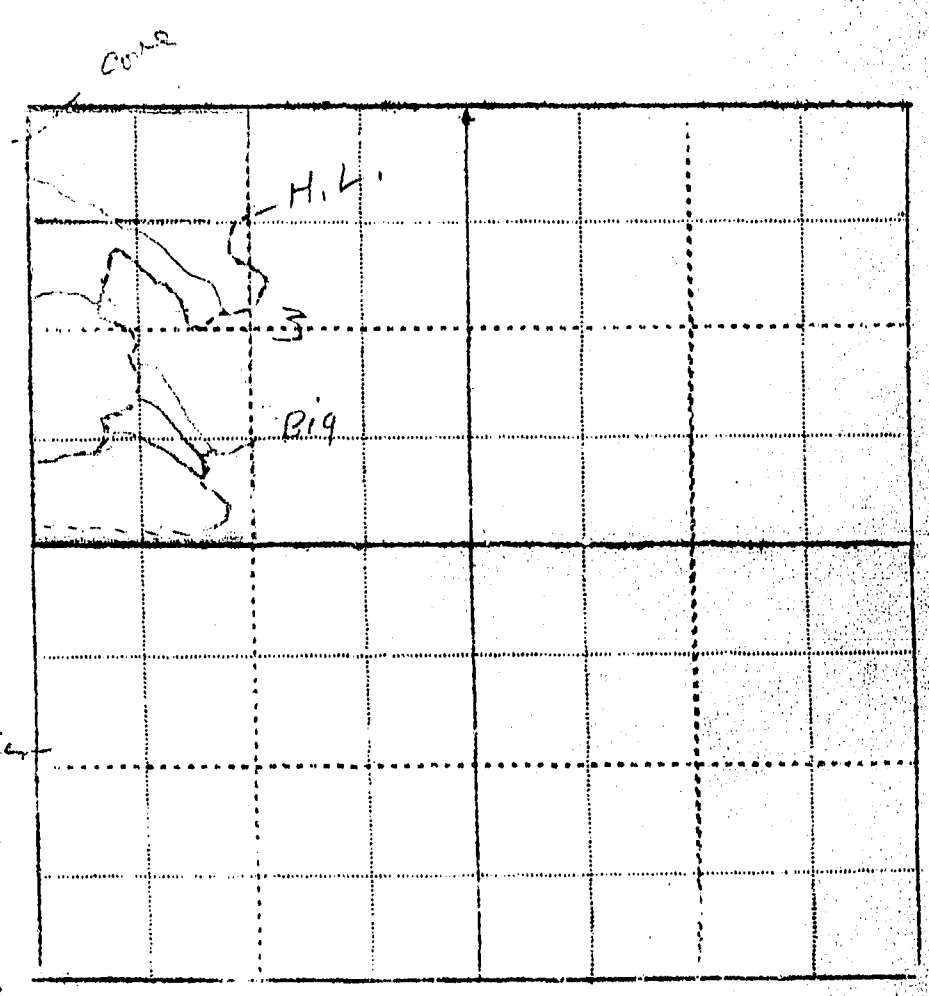
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A A A-979

1. Water User Henry Foor Address Laurel Montana
2. Stream Big & High Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Headgates & Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding.
6. Original Appropriator Ditch Co's. Address _____
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 170.4
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System Good.
12. Land Description W½ Sec 3, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: has 9 shares under Big Ditch 110 under High 131 shares [illegible] 5 acres under Big 136 under Core 30 under High L. T. 4 or 5 acres seeped under big ditch will add 20 acres under high ditch in a year or two



WITNESS: [signature] Information by Henry Foor

Place Billings

Oct 30, 1942

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Billings,
Oct. 26, 1942

Henry Foos
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Foos:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state. This agreement when reached will vitally affect each and every water user in the Yellowstone Basin.

Much of the information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly from those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. We would like to know if the information we have for your farm is correct, also from what ditches you get your water to irrigate. On the inclosed form we have mapped your farm and have shown the irrigated land in blue. If you irrigate from more than one ditch we would like to have you indicate on the map the portions irrigated form each ditch. If you have land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated that is now idle please indicate this information also on the inclosed form.

If ~~this~~ information is not correct please ~~draw in the correct boundaries to the best of your ability~~ give us the correct information and return the forms to us as soon as possible in the self addressed stamped envelope inclosed. Any information that you give us please write under remarks on the form.

In order to facilitate the work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt school building at Billings; this is the same building the A. A. A. office is located in.

If this is not clear we would appreciate your calling on us.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. [illegible]
Engineer in Charge

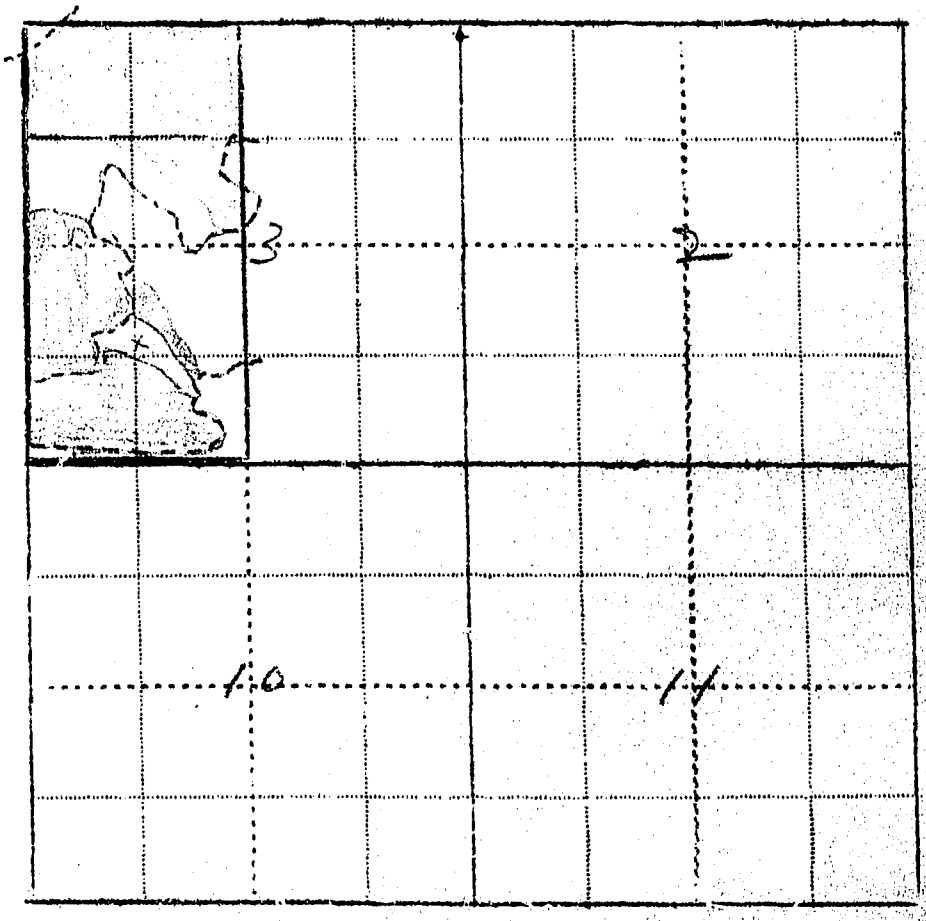
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information HHH— 979

1. Water User Henry Foos Address Laurel
2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System _____
5. Type of Irrigation _____
6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 170.4
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System _____
12. Land Description W² Sec 3, T 2 S., R 24 E

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yatone Source of Information Ownership, Photo, L.C.

1. Water User Earl Fluke Address Lewistown, Ill.

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian D. Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding.

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 5

9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

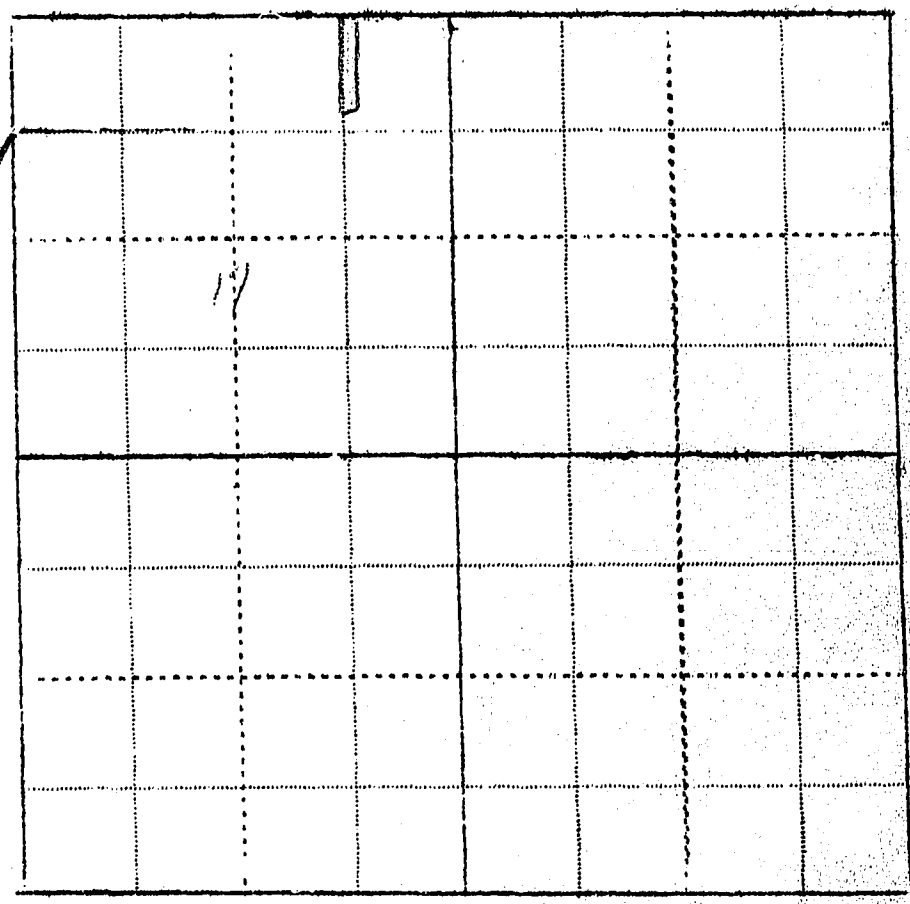
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Bad.

12. Land Description _____, T _____, R _____

Remarks:

Not irrigated at present but has been irrigated



WITNESS: E. J. O. Information by observation & Neighbors

Place Launch

James Russell, Laurel
Tenant.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA - 2328

1. Water User Mrs. Isadore Forysth Address Rte 1, Laurel

2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Gravity Flooding & Headgates

5. Type of Irrigation S

6. Original Appropriator Davis ditch, Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ? ~~Cropland 33.8~~ alf. 5.8 33.8 ok.

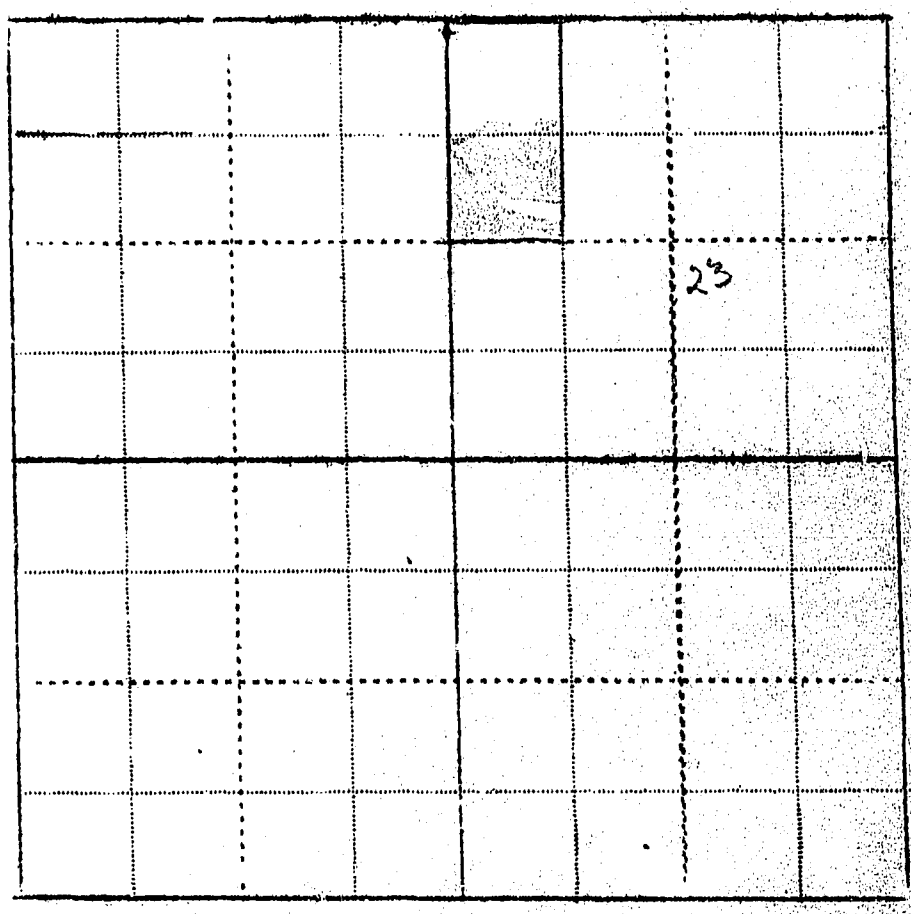
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System good

12. Land Description W² NW⁴ Sec. ~~33~~ 23, T 25, R 24 E

Remarks:

125 inches of water from the Davis ditch 12½ percent of stock



WITNESS: _____ Information by Mrs J. J. Russell - operator of land

Place 1/7/43 Phone M.K.

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Billings,
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November 23, 1942

Mr. James Russel
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Russel:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Monta . As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below.
From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate and how many acres under each?
How many shares do you have in each ditch company?
Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land that is irrigated from ea ch ditch.
If the water used to irrigate is pumped, we would like to have you answer the questions checked in red on the enclosed form.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

xxxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. James Russel
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Russel:

On November 23, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA. 986-5083

1. Water User Henry Fox Address Rte 1, Laurel

2. Stream Big & High ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch & High Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 150 + 65.00 = 215 + 40 A. Sub. Irrig.

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System good

12. Land Description Sw 4 Sec 2, 2 S - 24 E that portion N of RR in N2 Sec. 11, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

Has 40 shares in Big ditch & 2 in High

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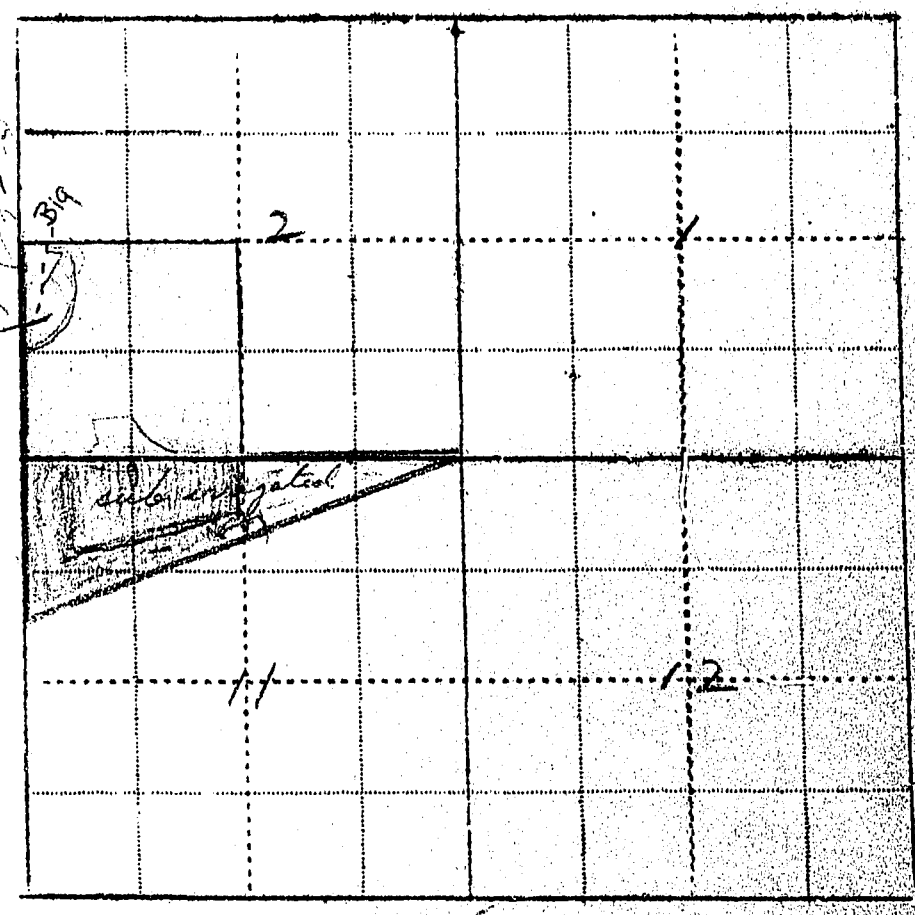
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] no seepage

Big = 206 Acres

High = 9 "



WITNESS: [illegible]

Information by Henry Fox

Place office 1/13/43

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Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. Henry Fox
Route 1
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Fox:

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

XXXXXXXX
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. Henry Fox
Route 1
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Fox:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information inorder to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

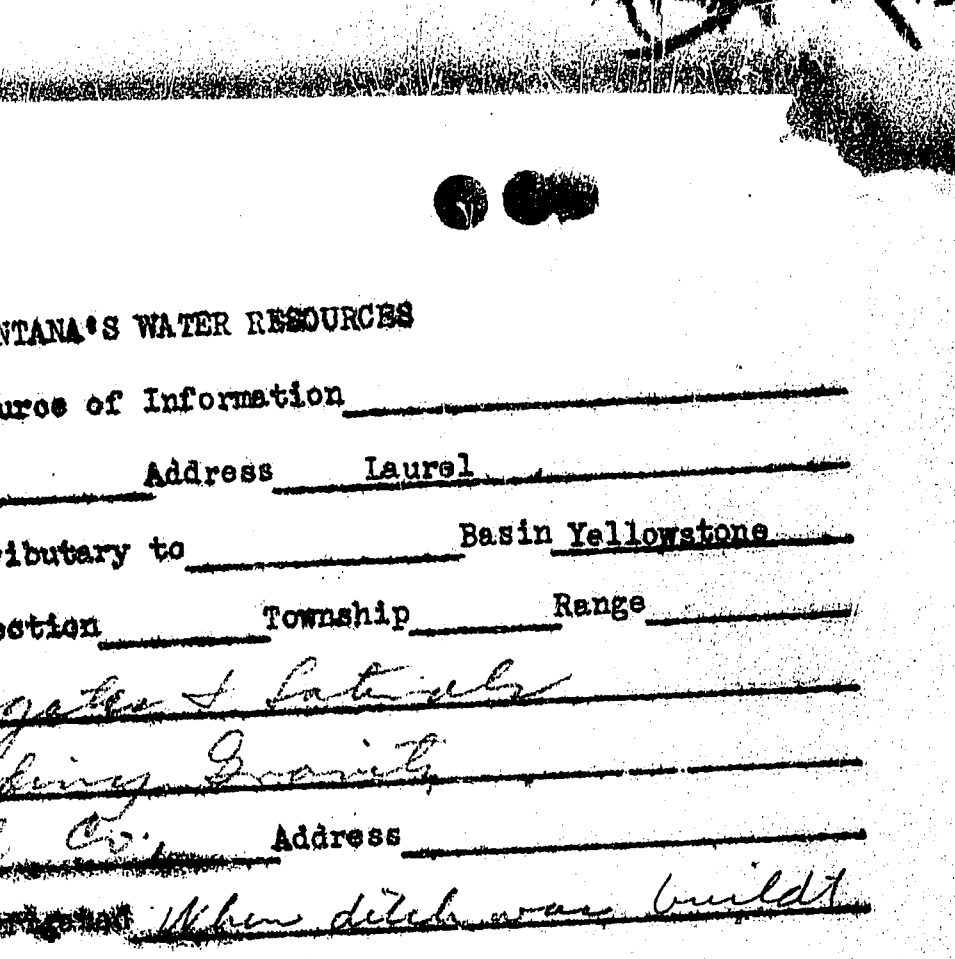
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Phillip Fox Sr. Address Laurel
2. Stream High + Cove ditches Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Utah Co. Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated When ditch was built
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 147.4
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 147.4
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Lots 1 & 2, S½NE¼, Sec. 3, T 2S, R 24E

50-66

Remarks: Has 66 Shares in High ditch + 22 in Cove ditch shares are for both farms in sec 3 + sec 35 have added 25 acres to irrigation in the last 20 years always plenty of water



WITNESS:

Information by: Phillip Fox Sr.

Place Billings Montana

Dec. 22, 1942

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

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County [illegible] Source of Information Card 989

1. Water User Phillip Fox Address Laurel, Mont.

2. ~~Stream~~ High + Cove Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of Systen _____

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 147.4

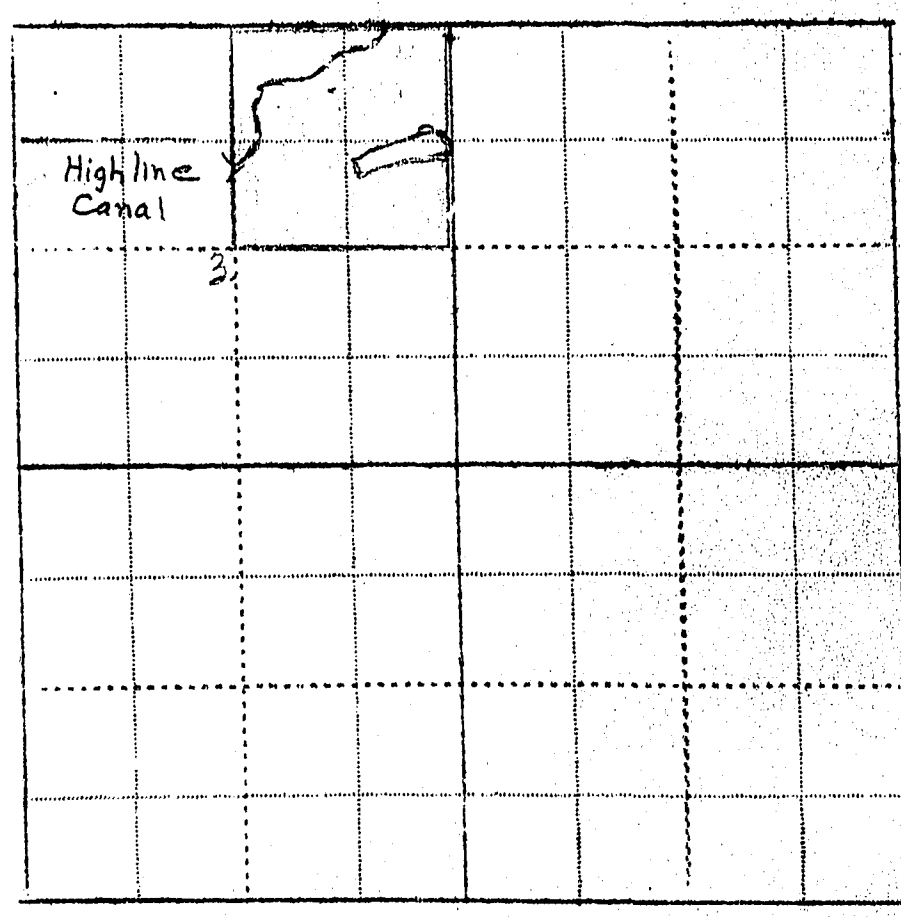
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lots 1+2, S½N½ Sec 3, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: Shares

66 in high + 22 in Cove



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
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November 24, 1942

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County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User ~~Fred Feuerbacker~~ Dave Frank owner Address Laurel

2. Stream Mill Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Old Mill ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~80.0~~ 78

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

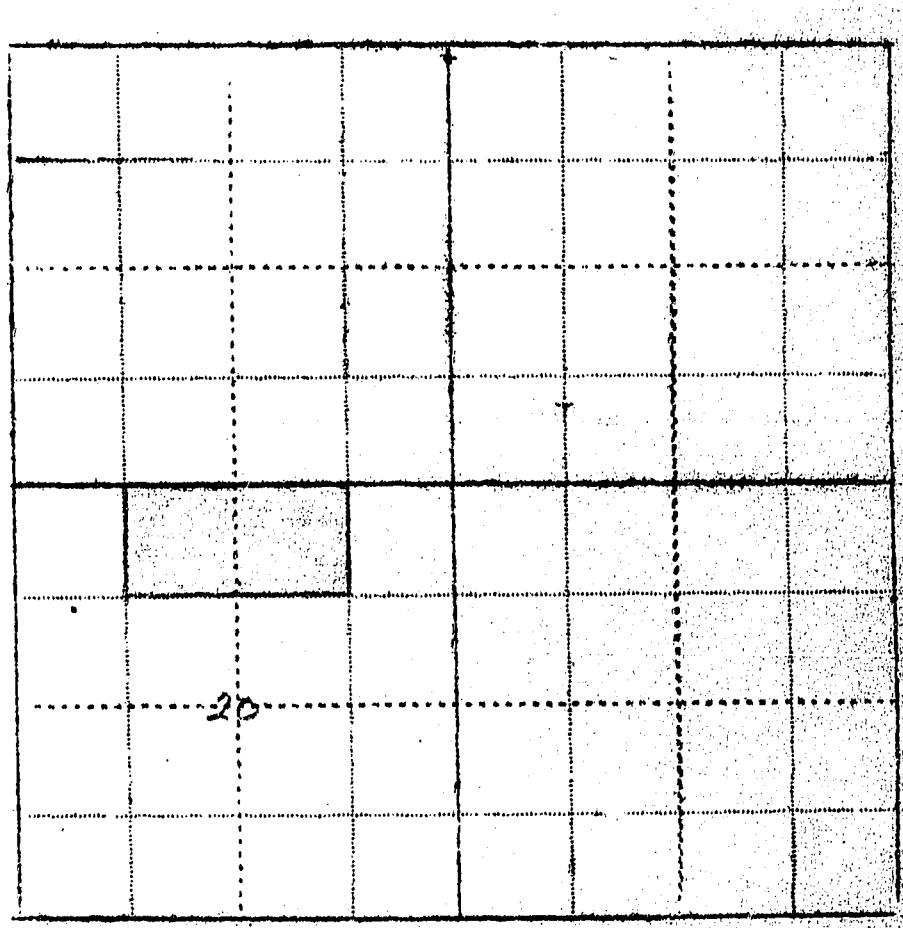
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description NW¼NE¼, NE¼NW¼. Sec. 20; , T 2S , R 24E

Remarks:

Has 21 shares under old mill ditch

Is this all irrigated from the old mill ditch — Yes



WITNESS: Letter M. Kosho

Information by Dave Frank

Place 11/27/42

Billings Office

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

Dave Frank, Laurel, ~~Fourth~~ now owners

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-991-

1. Water User ① ~~Fred Feuchtacher~~ Address Laurel Mont.

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 80.0

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

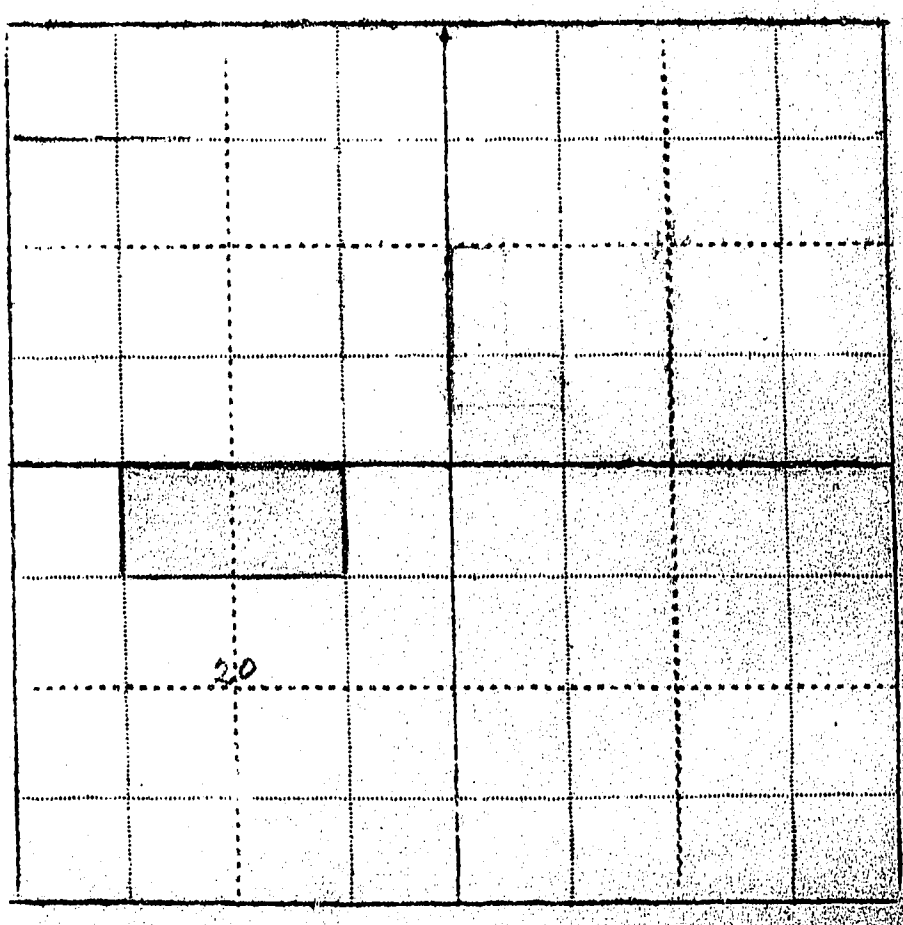
11. Condition of System _____

① NW NE¼ NE NW¼ Sec 20,

12. Land Description _____, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

Has 21 shares under old mill ditch



WITNESS:

Information by

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 23, 1942

Mr. Dave Frank
Laurel, Montana

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FORM SM-1

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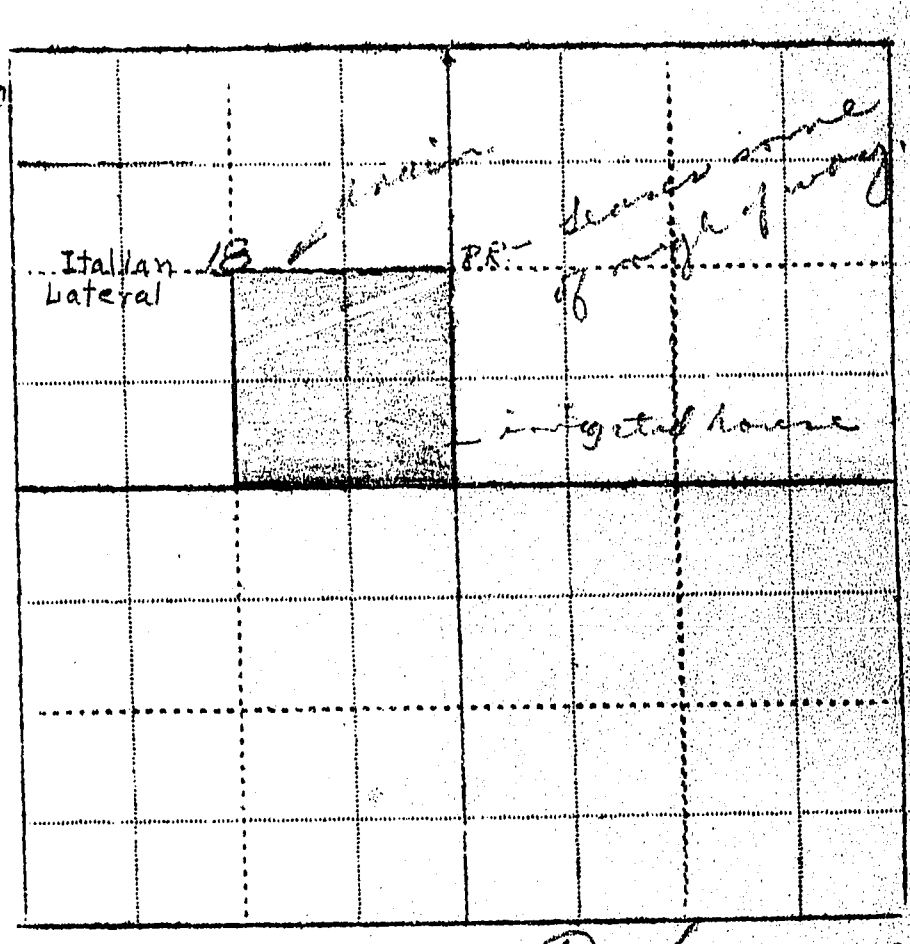
County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Philip P. Frank, Jr. Address Route 1, Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ Italian ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 80.4 ~~130~~ est. 148 irrigated
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description SE¼, Sec. 18, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Has 40 Shares in Italian ditch - all irrigated from Italian have private drain



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Phillip P. Frank Jr

Place Billings Office

Nov 27, 1942

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information AAA 1047

1. Water User Phillips P. Frank Jr Address Rte 1 Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

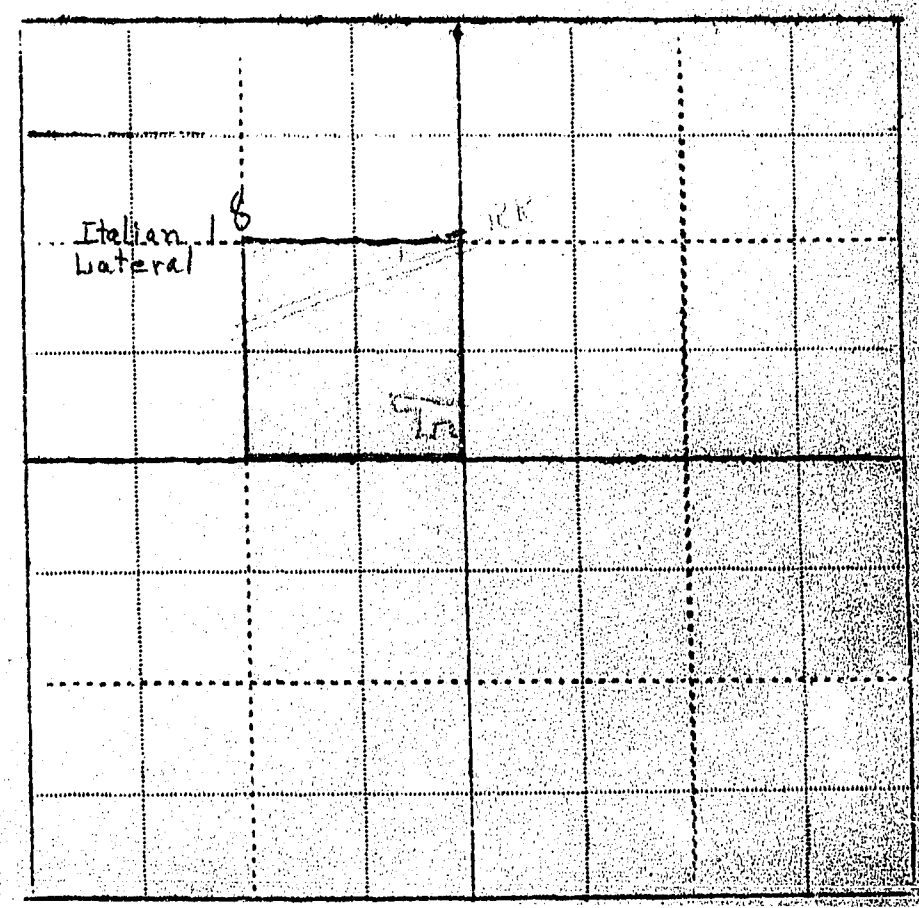
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 80.4 130.0 est.

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible], T 28, R 24E

Remarks: Has 40 Shares in Italian ditch



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Route 1
Laurel, Montana

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FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 3124

1. Water User Alex Frickel Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator S. K. Deverill Address Laurel Mont

7. First Use: Year 1901 Acres Irrigated all of NW¼ of Sec 16

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 15.4 17.0 wt

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description 17A in SW NW¼, Sec 16, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Have 11 shares in Italian ditch Record in O.K. Now all irrigated from the Italian ditch.

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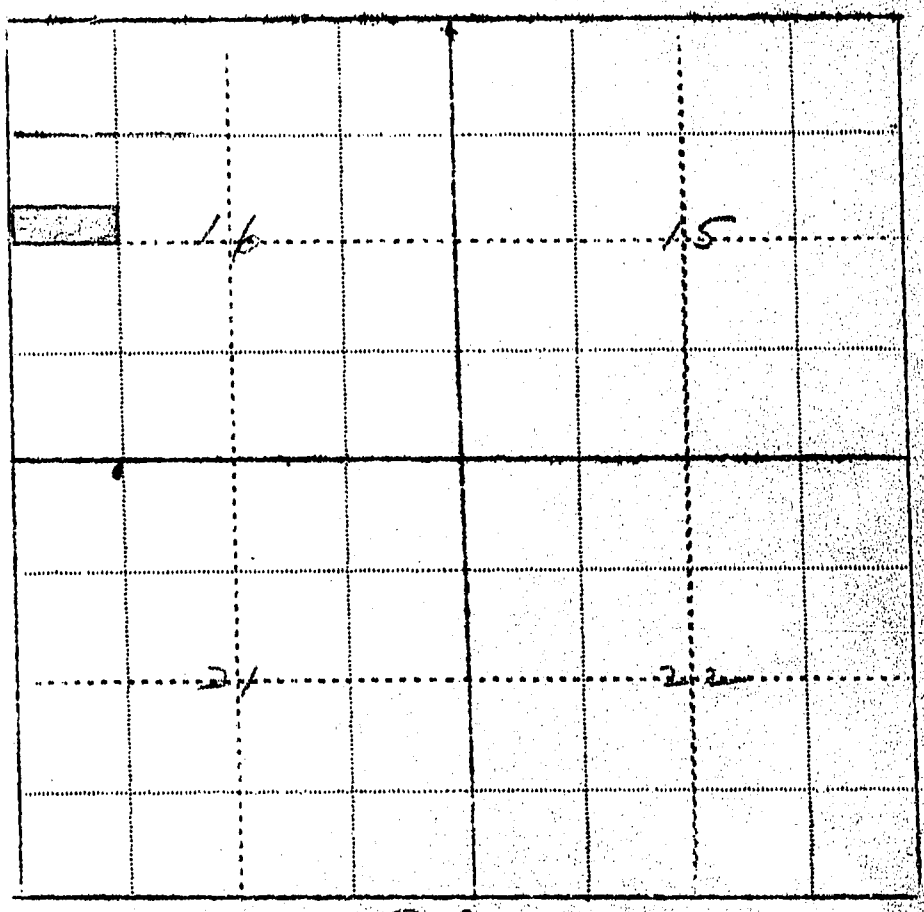

WITNESS: [signature] Information by Phone, Mrs Frickel

Place Billings

Nov. 20, 1942

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Alex Frickel Address Laurel

2. Stream Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

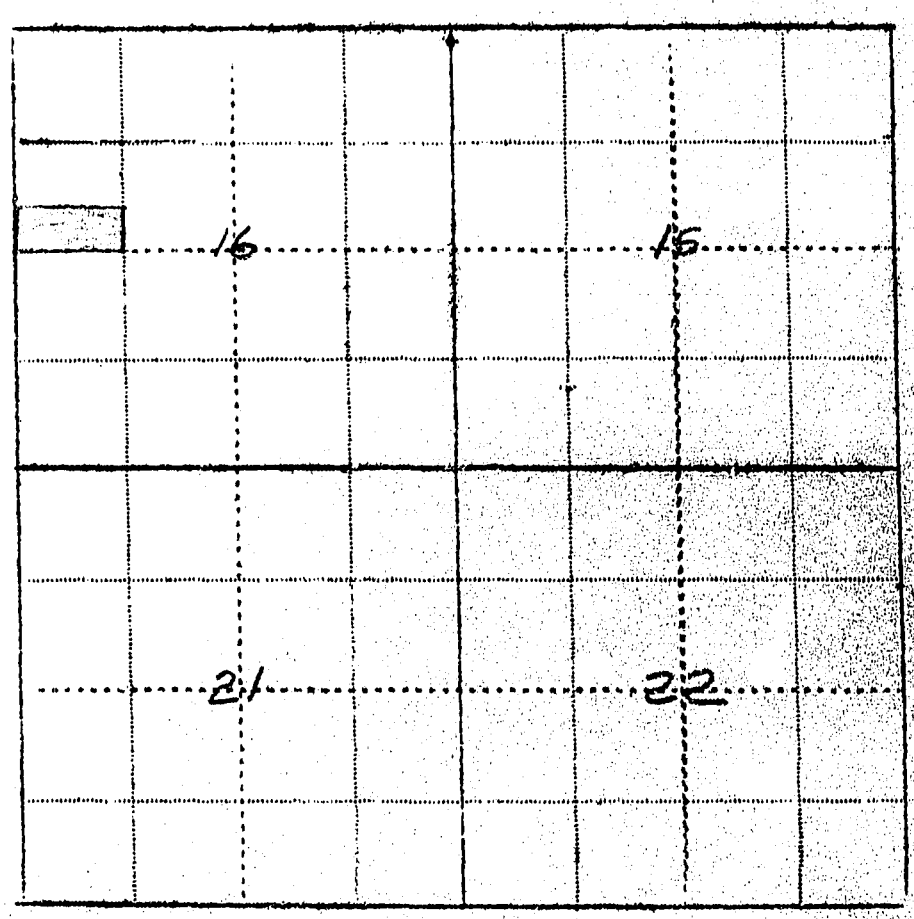
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 17 est.

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description 17 A. in $SW\frac{1}{4}NW\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:



WITNESS: Information by

Place

CD C4412

Please Do Not Fill in Any Items on This Page

Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book C. Page 375 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator S.K. Deverill Address Laurel, Mont
3. Date Appropriated Feb. 27, 1901 Date Filed Mar. 11, 1901

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ____, Cubic Feet per second 2 1/2

X. 4. Name of Stream Slough + Spring Tributary ____ Basin ____

5. 2 Points of Diversion ① Near S.E. corner of Sec. 7. ② across natural water course or slough near south line of N.P.R.R. right of way.

Sec. ____ Twp. ____ Rge. ____ Bank of Stream South + East

6. Purpose Irrigation, domestic + other.
7. Description of System Dam in slough near S.E. corner of Sec. 7. + a ditch tapping slough on its south bank near dam. Ditch run. South to an intersection with right-of-way of N.P. R.R. Waters to be carried across right-of-way thru a natural slough or channel under the railroad track of said Co. to the intersection of south line of said right-of-way where (see Below)
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N.W.¼, Sec. 16 2 South 24 East

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) ____

~~Decree~~ ↓

10. Case No. ____ Date ____ Amt. Decreed: M. I. ____ C. F. S. ____
11. To Whom Decreed ____ Address ____
12. Name of Ditch ____ Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) ____
13. Date of Priority ____ Purpose ____
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed water is to be diverted therefrom by a dam placed across said natural water course near south line of said R/W of said R.R. Co. + diverted by a ditch tapping slough or water course on east bank + running N.E. along South line of R/W to + upon land of use. Ditch 12 in. wide on bottom,
15. Remarks (Present Use Status, etc) 24 in. across top + 12 in. deep.

Stream - X. About 40 rods east of SE corner of Sec. 7. 2So 24E, Also waters of Spring flowing into a slough running S.E. from Spring mouth N.W¼ of Sec. 17. Said spring + slough being fed by waste water from [illegible] of land lying above the same [illegible]

FORM SM-1 99

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & Photo

1. Water User J. S. Gomar Address Box 853 - Laurel

✓ 2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates & Lat.

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Co. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 4.6

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 4.6

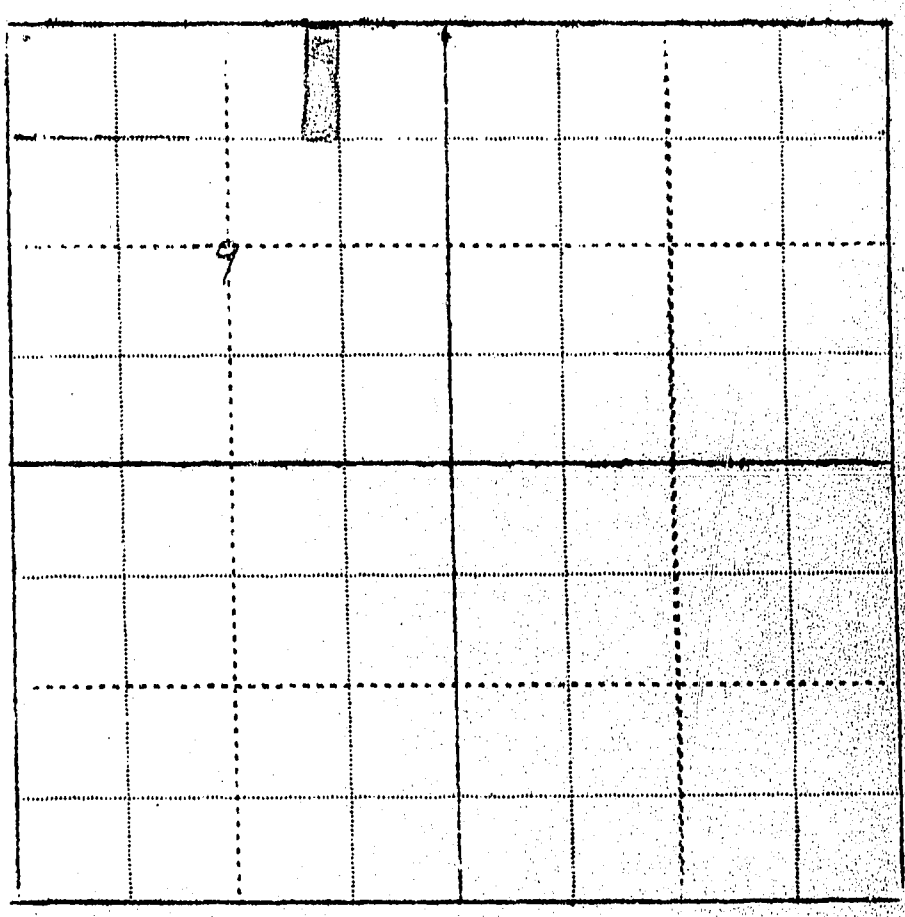
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ~~X~~ 4.6 acres

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description E E NW N E Sec 9, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: They irrigate about 4.6 acres [illegible] Big Ditch Have 1 share in Big ditch Co.



WITNESS: [illegible] Information by Mrs J. S. Gomar

Place at her home

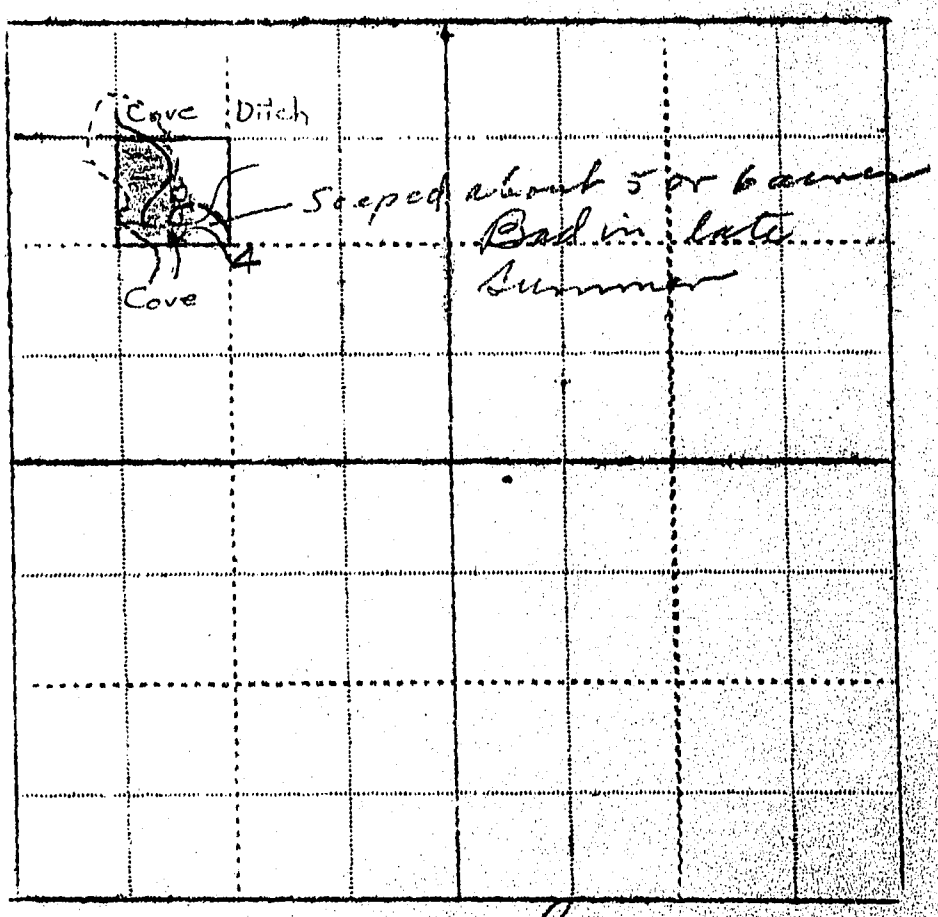
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User J. C. Gruklke Address Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ Cove ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates + Lat.
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding - Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Cove ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~12.5~~ 10 acres
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System
12. Land Description SE¼NE¼, Sec. 4, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Have 4 Shares in Cove ditch 6 acres of seeped land.



WITNESS: ~~Letter~~ Information by J. C. Gruklke

G. J. Oranetz Place Billings Office

Nov 25, 1942

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AHA. 2333

1. Water User J. C. Gjuhlke Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Cove ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

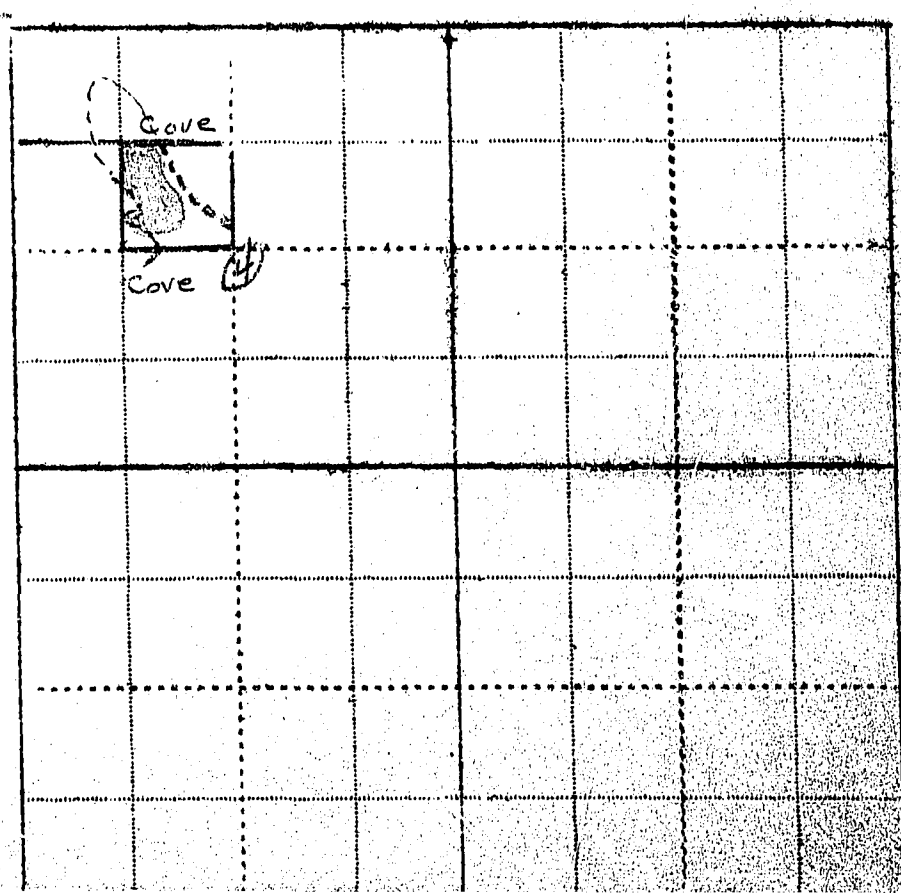
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 12.5

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description SE NW¼ Sec. 4 —, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: Has 4 shares under Cove Ditch



Billings,
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November 24, 1942

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Laurel, Montana

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User W. B. Harlan Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Mill ditch & drain Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator George Harlan Address on drain

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 10 A.

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 201 ~~Total 275.3~~ 240.00 Total for all sheets

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description W½SW¼, SE¼SW¼, Sec. 20; part of Sec. 19, T 2S, R 24E So. of road; Lots 1 & 2, Sec. 29; NE¼ Sec. 30

Remarks:

Has 33 shares in mill ditch also drain water from drain ditch

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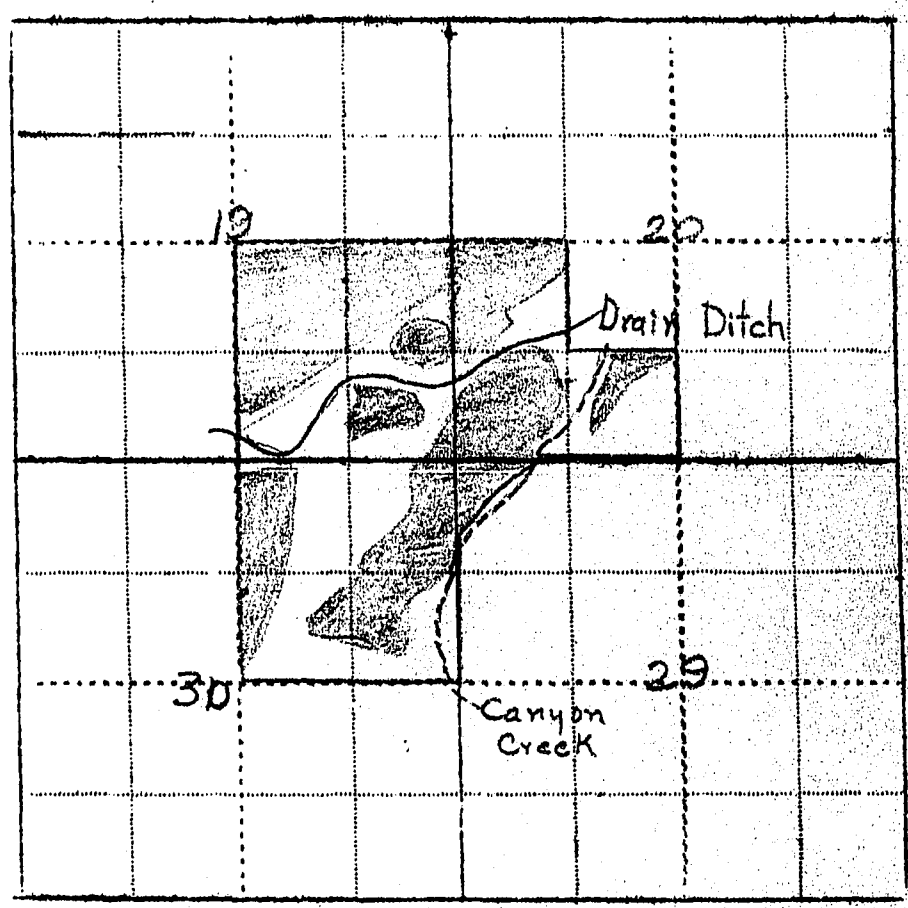

WITNESS: Letter

Information by W. B. Harlan

Place

Harlan, W.B.

YAW-KINNEY COMPANY, Inc.

GREAT FALLS, MONTANA

MONTANA DISTRIBUTORS FOR PRODUCTS OF

Hyvis Oils Inc.—Wellsville, N. Y.

Southwest Grease & Oil Co., Wichita, Kansas

Hyvis Oils & Greases
Hyvis Diesel Oil
Brytol—100% Pennsylvania Tractor Oil

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Trade Marks Reg. U.S. Pat. Off.

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Graphalloy
Bronze Bushing Lub.
Heavy Duty No. 1
Penola Greases

PERMIT NO. 400

Lincoln Mont.
11-25-42

Dear Sir:—

Town three plays and have 531 acres total of this about 240 acres is Irrigated

W. B. Harlan

53 shares of water and also fining on drain ditch.

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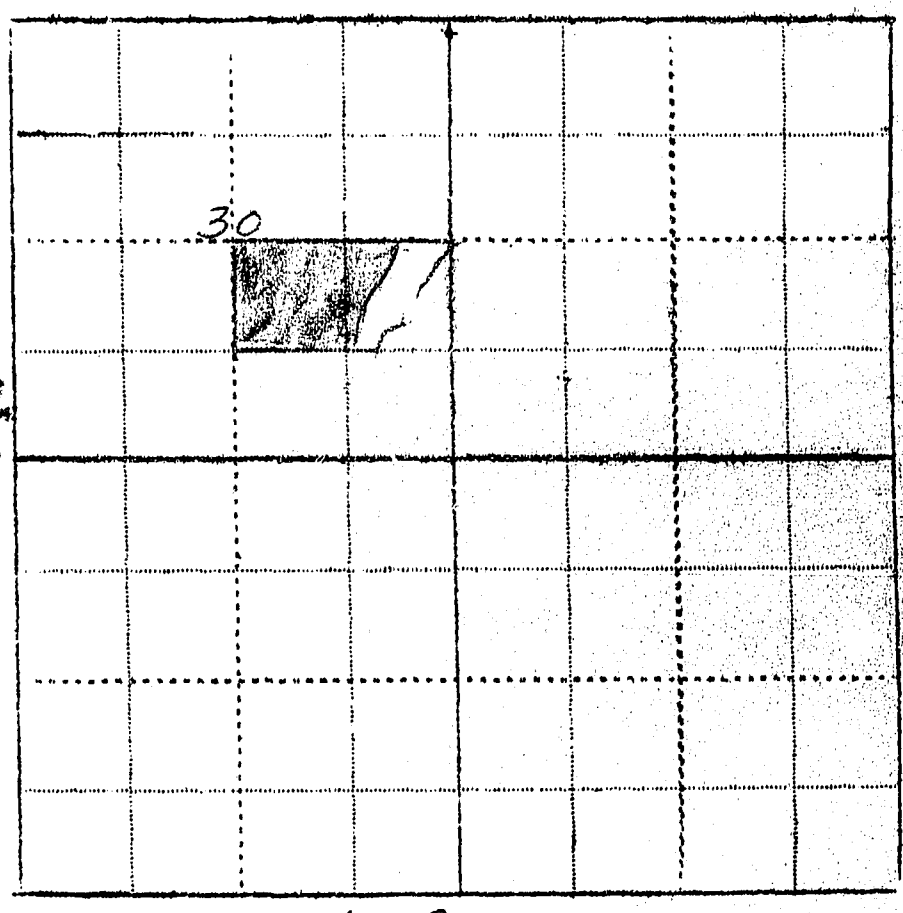
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User W. B. Harlan Address Laurel
2. Stream Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System
5. Type of Irrigation
6. Original Appropriator Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated ~~29.04~~ 50 acres
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~17.2~~
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System
12. Land Description N½SE¼ Sec. 30, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: This place has 50 acres of Irrigated land and it was Crop-ed and Irrigated this year. 21 A. Sects 29 A. Oats and Sweet Clover



WITNESS: Letter

Information by W. B. Harlan

Place Billings

Nov 28, 1942

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information AAA 977A

1. Water User W. B. Harlan Address Laurel, Mont

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 10 8

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 201.0 Total 275.3

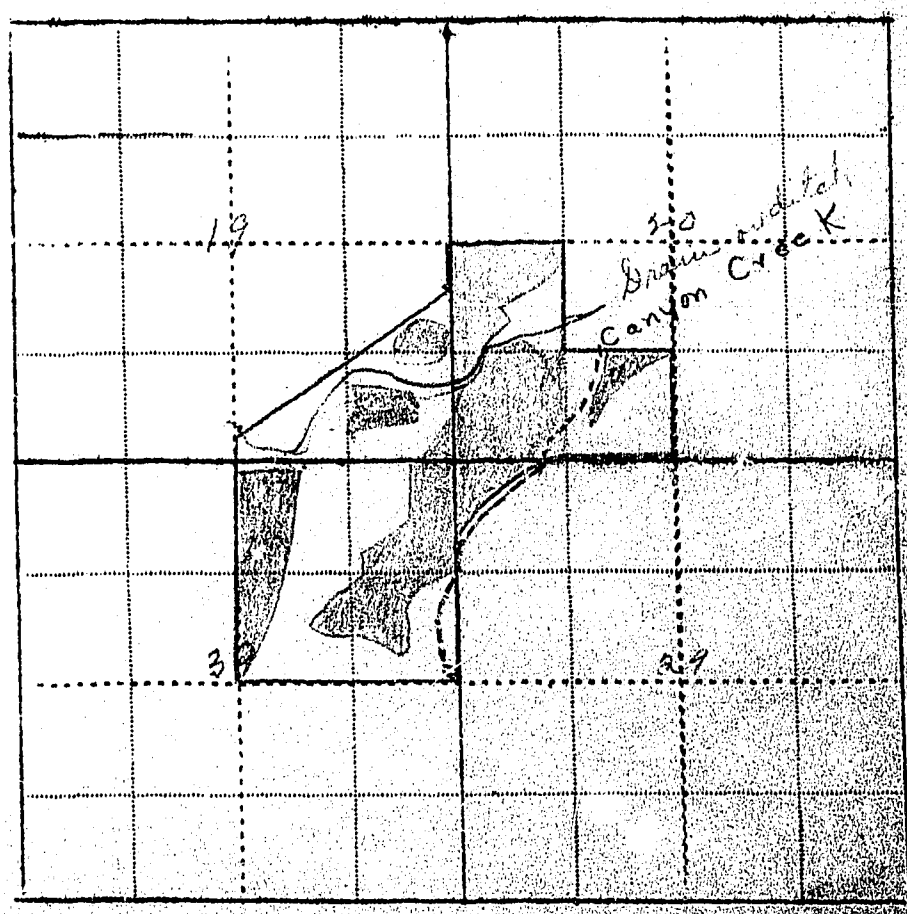
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible], Sec 20 - Part of Sec 19, T 2S, R 24E.
[illegible] Sec 29, [illegible], Sec 30

Remarks:

Has 53 shares
in mill ditch



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County _____ Source of Information aa 977A1

1. Water User W. P. Harlan Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

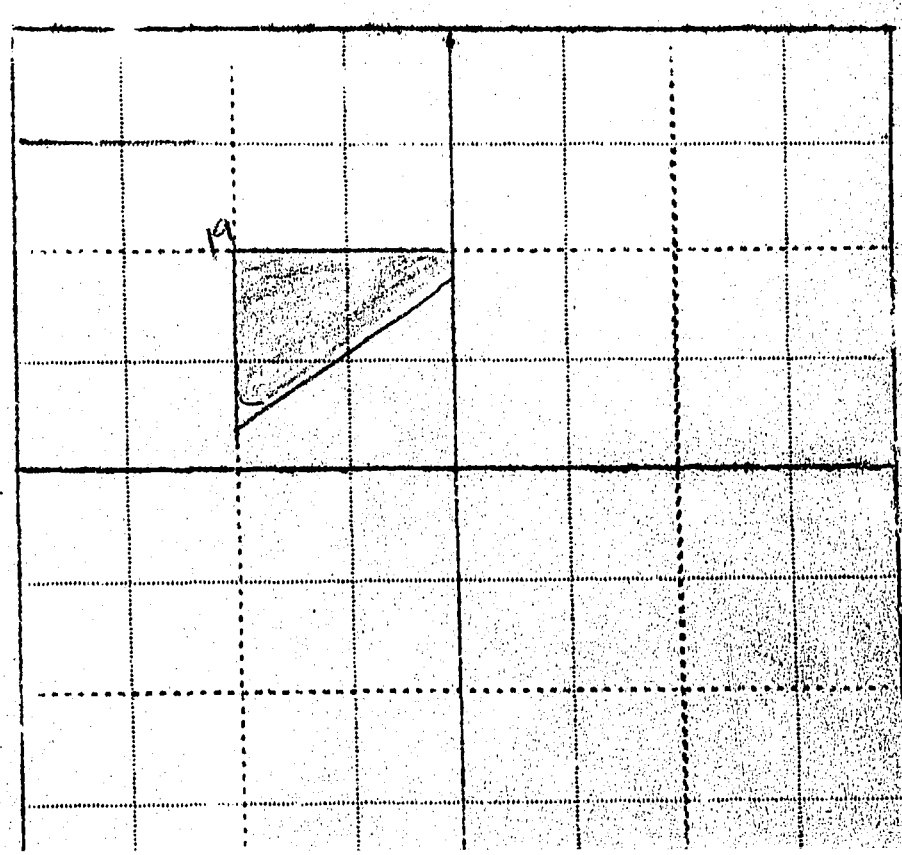
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 74.3

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description SE¼ No of Highway Sec 19, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____



FORM SM-1 30 E

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 6032

1. Water User W. B. Harlan Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 29.04

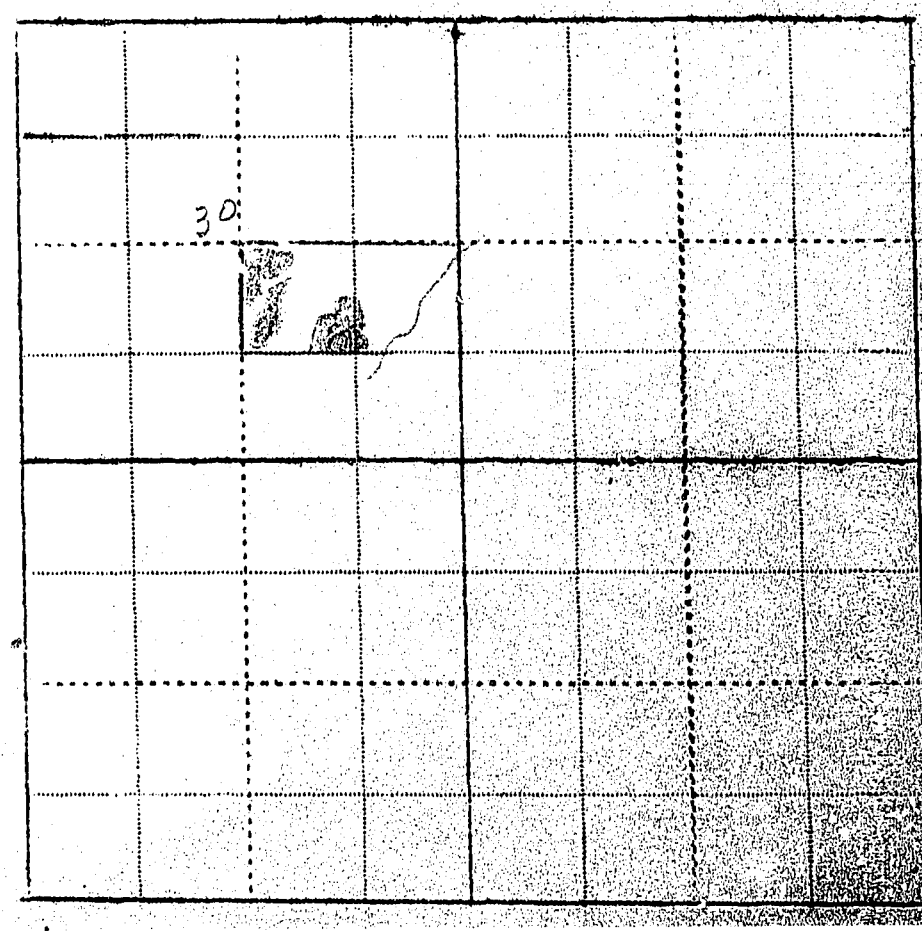
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 17.2

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description N½ SE¼ Sec 30, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: _____



Billings,
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November 24, 1942

Mr. W. B. Harlan
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Harlan:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farms on the enclosed forms is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue, and land that is now idle but that has been irrigated in the past is shown in green.

Second: Is all of your land irrigated from the Mill Ditch? If not, please show what portion is irrigated from another ditch and give us the number of acres and shares you own in the second ditch.

Third: If you have any additional land that is effected by seepage, or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Cravets
Assistant Engineer

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Also Carbon Co. Yellowstone Book 1 Page 318 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator E. K. Coombs Address Carbon Co., Montana
3. Date Appropriated April 1, 1912 Date Filed June 1, 1912
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 3000, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Big Slough Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion A dam across an arm of said river known as Big Slough at a point about 300 ft. east of the intersection of said slough with west line of
   Sec. 2 Twp. 3 So. Rge. 23 E. Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation and domestic
7. Description of System Dam and ditch about 4 ft. wide on bottom, 4 ft. deep and to conduct water to said land by means of said ditch and pumping outfit.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use $N\frac{1}{2}$, Sec. 2; $NW\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 1; Frac. Sections 11 & 12, 3 South 23 East. (Not Yellowstone Co.)
   Frac. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 3 South 24 East (Sec. 6 & 7 not Yellowstone)
   Frac. Sections 28, 29, 31, 32 2 South 24 East
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Transcribed from Water Right Record Book 5, page 294 Carbon Co. Records.
   Water appropriated March 25, 1912.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 74 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Jasper Newton Address Laurel, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated Jan. 13- 1891 Date Filed Jan. 13, 1891

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 100, Cubic Feet per second
X 4. Name of Stream Slough Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion near N.W corner of SW¼

   Sec. 19 Twp. 2 So Rge. 24 E. Bank of Stream South
6. Purpose Irrigation, domestic & other Legal
7. Description of System Dam & ditch - 42 in. by 60 in. running S.E. intersecting the South line of SW¼ at a point about 1300 ft. west of the NW corner of the aforesaid NE¼ Sec 30, 2 So 24 E, thence running east along the dividing line between Sec. 19 & 30 aforesaid to the N.W. corner of the NE¼ Sec. 30 - 2 So 24 E.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use NE¼ Sec. 30 - 2 So. 24 East
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)
X in Sec. 22, 23, 24, 2 So. 23 E. & draining the pond lying near N.P.R.R. in said Sec. 22 & 23.

   Appropriation May 8. 1890.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

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Notice of Appropriation

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1. County Yellowstone Book 139 Page 353 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator George Harlan Address Laurel, Mont
3. Date Appropriated Sept 10 - 1930 Date Filed Oct. 9, 1930

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ____, Cubic Feet per second 10
4. Name of Stream Harlans Drain Ditch Tributary ____ Basin ____
5. Point of Diversion Dam built 225 ft north & 125 ft. east of SW corner of SE¼

   Sec. 19 Twp. 2 S Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream Lower
6. Purpose Irrigation portions of lands described & other useful & artificial
7. Description of System Dam about 10 ft long, 1 ft. high & 2 ft wide of concrete. Ditch 5 ft wide at top, 2 ft wide at bottom & 3 ft. deep. Water conveyed by this ditch to highest point on land then conveyed over said land by smaller ditches.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use

   Portions S½SE¼ Sec. 19 2 S 24 E

   S½SW¼ " 20 " "

   Lots 1, 4, NW NW¼ " 29 " "
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

X Seepage, drains & flood waters of the Harlan Drain Ditch.

Decree

10. Case No. ____ Date ____ Amt. Decreed: M. I. ____ C. F. S. ____
11. To Whom Decreed ____ Address ____
12. Name of Ditch ____ Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) ____
13. Date of Priority ____ Purpose ____
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed ____

FORM SM-1 0303-J-2 81

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership Photo

1. Water User E. A. Horning Address Laurel

2. Stream Italian Ditch ~~Tributary to~~ Yellowstone Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Small ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Italian Ditch, Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 7 have always

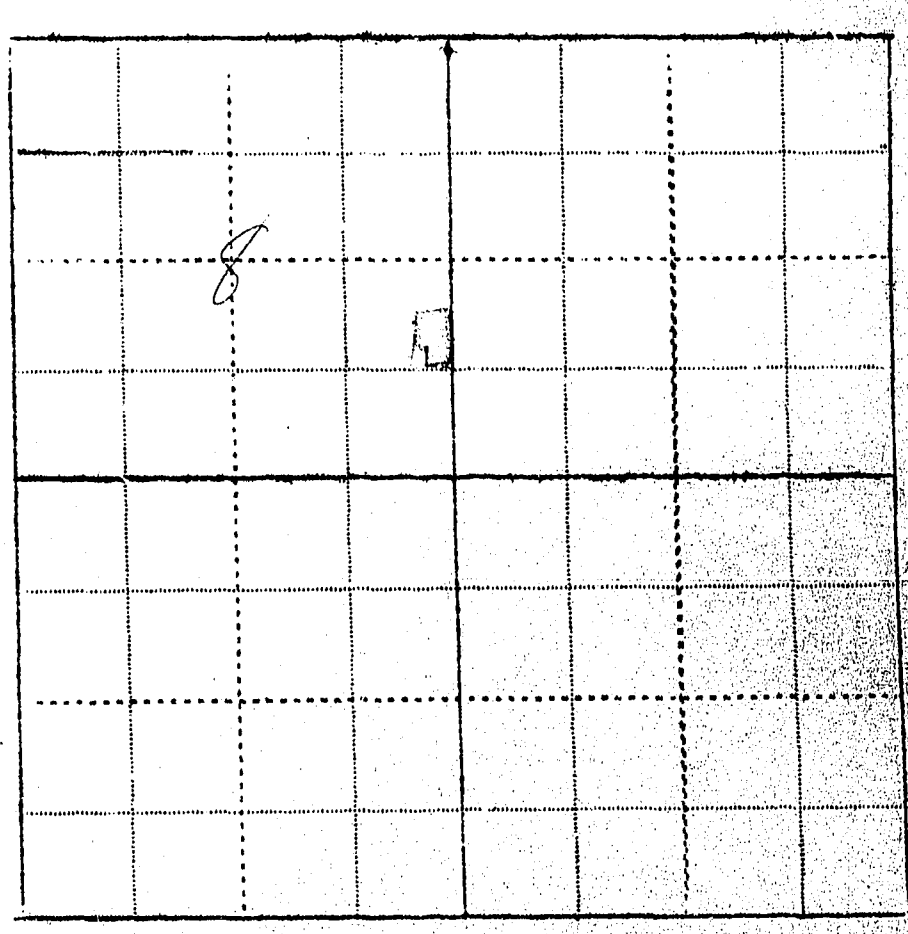
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned irrigated 7 acres

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description [illegible] Sec 8, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Water used for domestic use is from city of Laurel. Mrs Horning has 3 shares in Italian ditch Information by phone, Oct 13, 1942



WITNESS: [illegible] Information by E. A. Horning

Place at Laurel

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Ystone Source of Information AAA 6103

1. Water User O. V. Howe Address Box 771 - Laurel

✓2. Stream Big ditch Tributary to Yel. R. Basin Yel. B.

3. Point of Diversion Same as Big ditch. ¼ ¼ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____

4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address Billings

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated when Big ditch was Const.

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated 3½ acres seeped

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 65. Present

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned could irrigate 105 acres

11. Condition of System Good - Laterals have to be cleaned each Spring

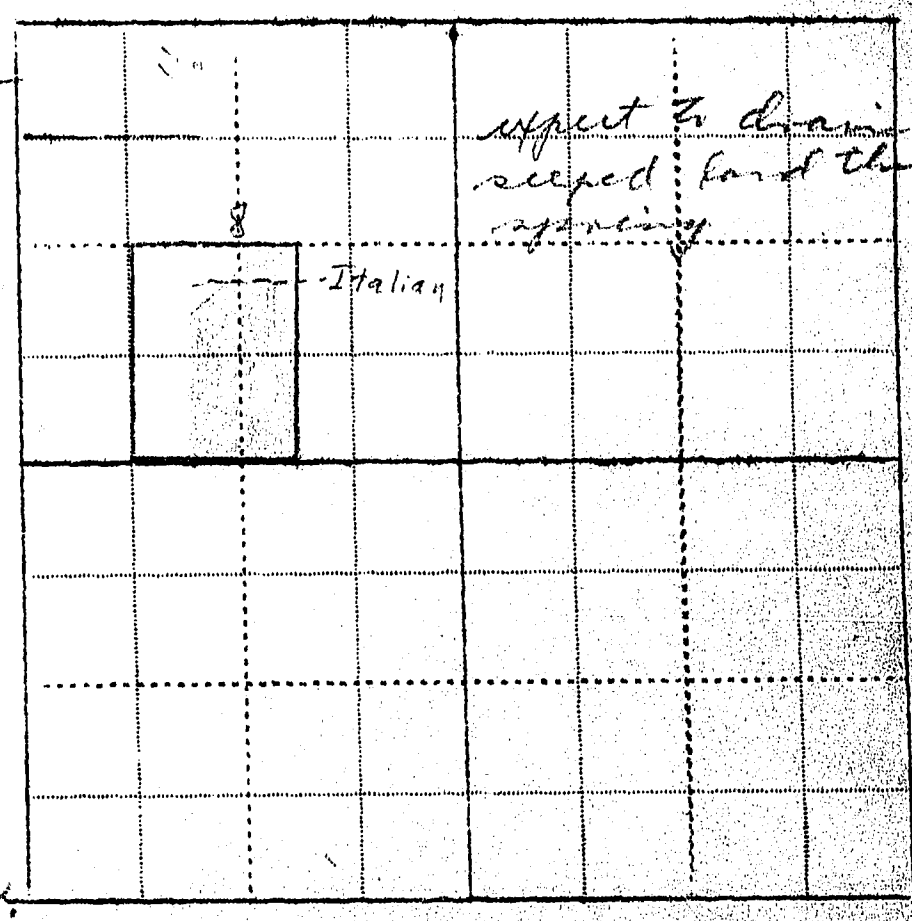
12. Land Description E½ SW¼, W½ W½ SE¼, Sec 8, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: Has 10 #336

Shares in Big ditch get some overflow water from Italian ditch, but have no stock (waste water)

Cleaning is done by water users, Could irrigate 105 by building more laterals and having more water.

Always sufficient Water.



WITNESS: [signature] Information by ✓ [signature]

Place Billings, March 19, 1943

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Billings,
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November 24, 1942

Mr. C. V. Howe
Box 771
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Howe:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land which is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: Is all of your land irrigated from the Big Ditch? If not, please show what portion is irrigated from another ditch, and give us the number of acres and shares you own in the second ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. C. V. Howe
Box 771
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Howe:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essentiâl that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 849.68 Montana Session[illegible]) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and to prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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Billings
March 15, 1943

Mr. O. V. Howe
Box 771
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Howe:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South, Range 24 East. On January 4, 1943 we sent you another letter asking you to submit the information 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 the State, be investigated. The State Engineer shall, either before or after the bringing of such action (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 direction 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.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 62 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Charles D. Camp Address Laurel, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated May 14, 1890 Date Filed May 14, 1890
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 400, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Bald Hill Creek & tributaries Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion
   Sec. 36 Twp. 1 S Rge. 23 E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation, watering stock, domestic & other
7. Description of System Dam & ditch 48" x 36"
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½ SW¼ sec. 8, 2 S, 24 E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 956

1. Water User L. M. Hunter Address Rte 1 - Laurel

✓ 2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Minn + Mont Ing. Co. Address _____

7. First Use: Year 1882 Acres Irrigated /

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ~~54.0~~ 48.00 Total

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description S 14 48 A in N 2 SW 4, Frac S 2 SW 4 Sec 1, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____

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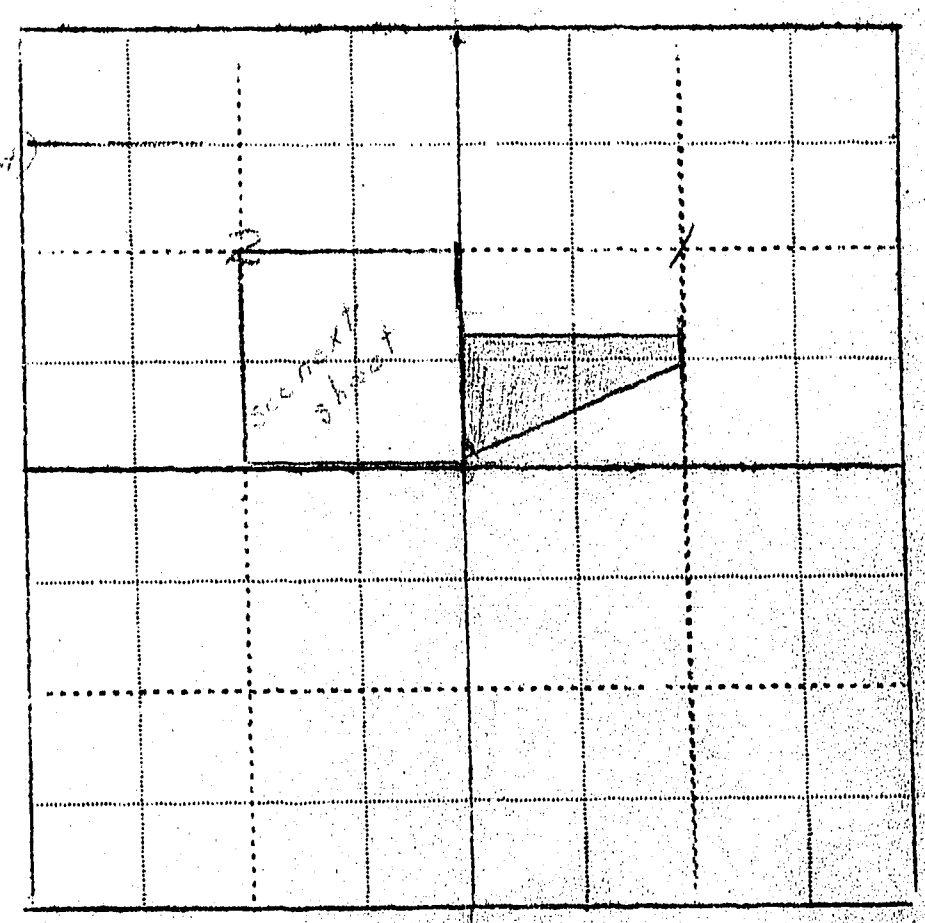
Sec. 2, shown on ownership (see other sheet) All irrigated by Big Ditch He owns 61 shares that irrigates both pieces corrected acreage by L. M. Hunter.



WITNESS: J. J. O.

Information by L. M. Hunter

Place Billings Office 11/12/42

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA - 1021

1. Water User L. M. Hunter Address ~~SE¼, Sec 2~~ Rte 1 - Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System .....

5. Type of Irrigation .....

6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

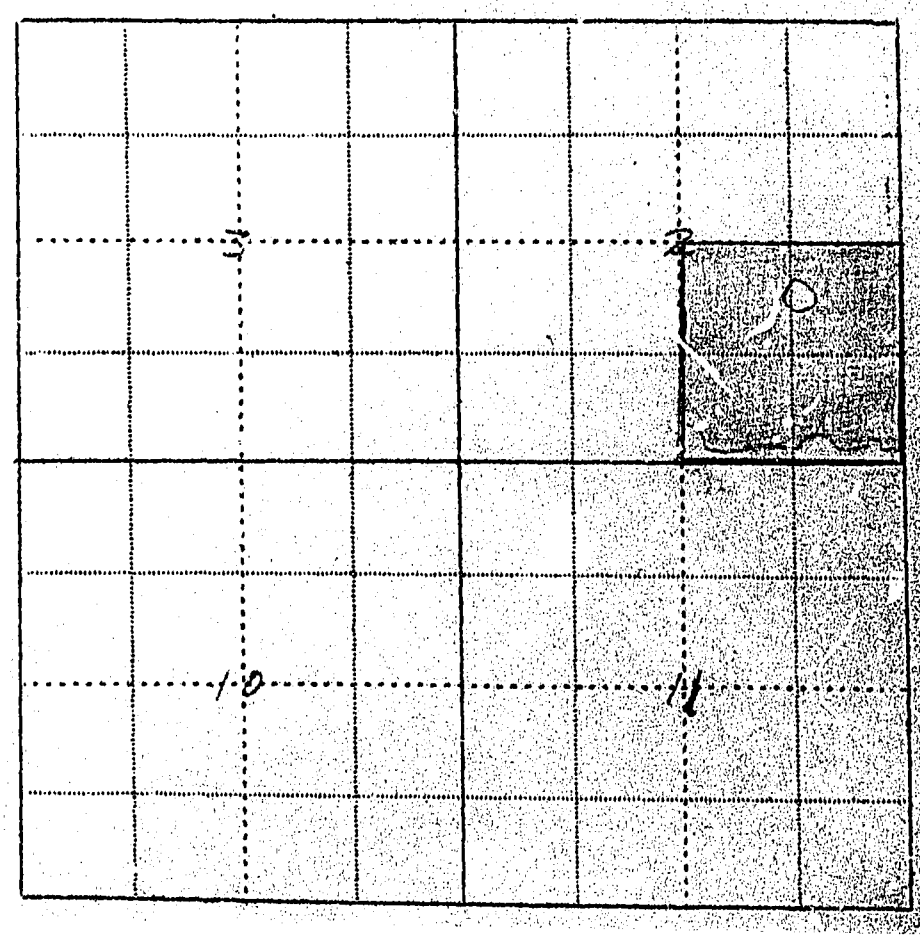
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~138.6~~ 154.00 Total [illegible]

10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned 54 / 1926 48 / 2200

11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description SE¼, Sec 2 - 2S. 24E. , T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: .....



Billings, Montana
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November 6, 1942

Mr. L. M. Hunter
Route 1
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Hunter:

On October 26th we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land. To date we have not heard from you. It is necessary that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 340.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

This information is necessary to insure present and future development in irrigation enterprises in the state.

In order to facilitate the work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located.

If this is not clear to you we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't. Engineer

go/ rh

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Billings,
Oct. 26, 1942

L. M. Hunter
Rte. 1
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Hunter:

We are making a survey of all the irrigated land in the Yellowstone Drainage basin. The purpose of this survey is to find the total irrigated acres in this basin. The findings are to be presented to the Yellowstone River Compact Commission.

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States Of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River, between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state.

Much of the information needed to show the extent of water use must comme directly fomm those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. We would like to know if the information we have for your farm is correct. On the inclosed form we have mapped your farm and have shown the irrigated land in blue. If this information is not correct please draw in the correct boundariesto the best of your abilityy and return the form to us as soon as possible, in the self addressed stamped envelope inclosed. We also would like to know from what ditch you get your water to irrigate. If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated that is now idle, please indicate on the inclosed form.

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If this is not clear to you we will appreciate your calling on us the nest time you are in Billings,

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A. A. A-1021

1. Water User L M. Hunter Address Rte. 1-Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ~~138.6~~ 154.00

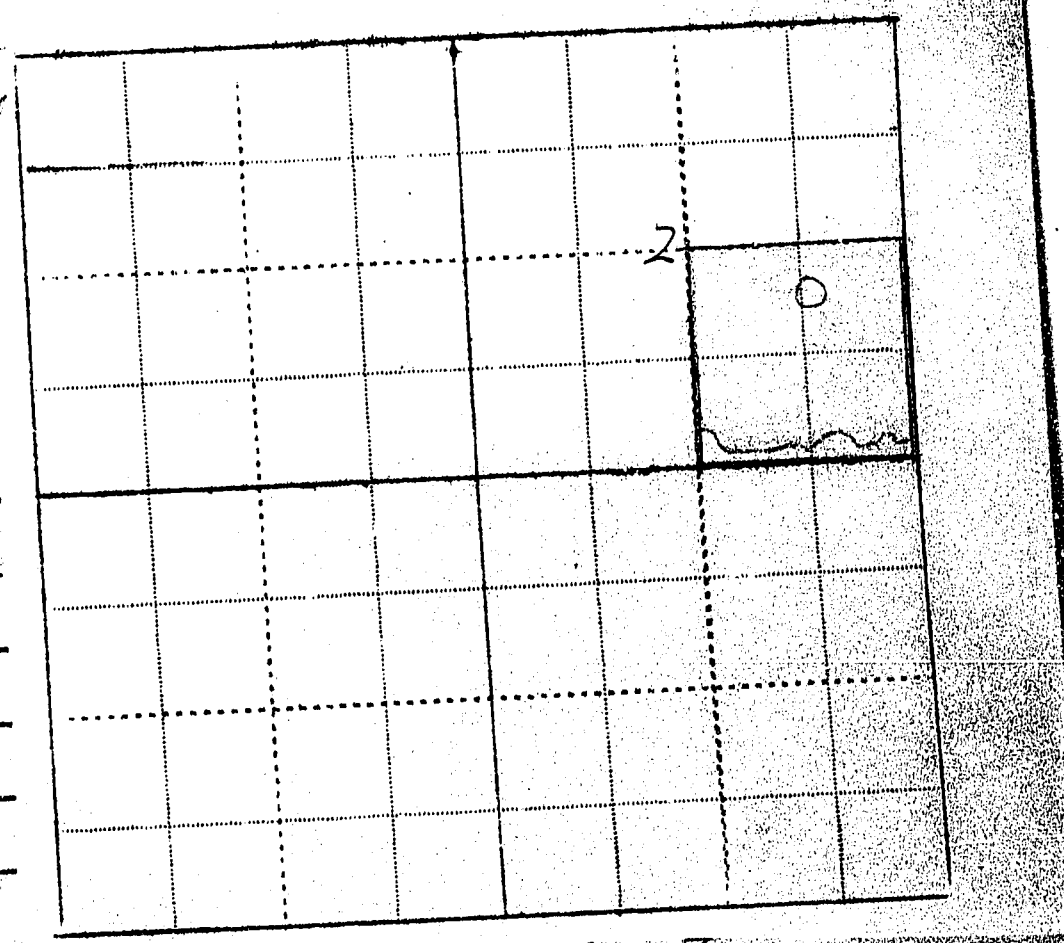
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description S. ½ of Sec 2 , T 2 S. , R 24 E.

Remarks: If you get water from 1 or more ditches outline the land irrigated from each ditch.

61 shares under Big Ditch. For both places corrected acreage by L M Hunter



WITNESS: Irene

Oct. 26, 1942

called at office

Information by L M Hunter

Place Billings Mont.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A.A.A. 956

1. Water User L. M. Hunter Address R. # 1 - Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

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 ~~54.0~~ 48.0

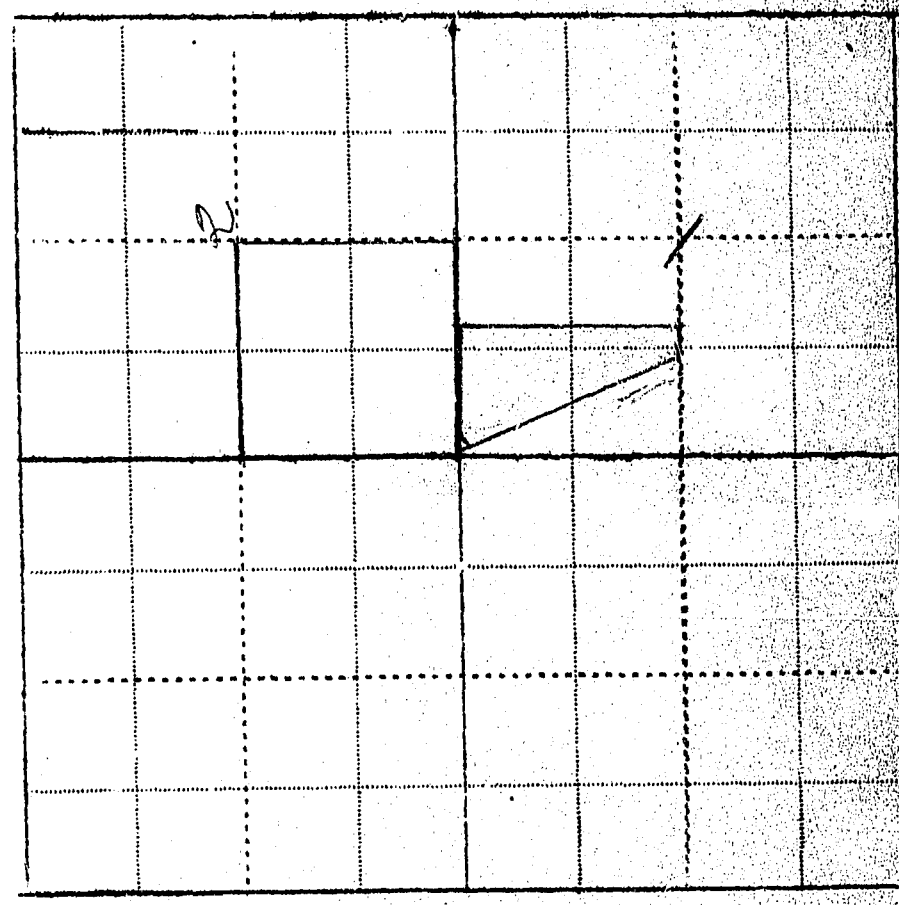
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Frac. S½ SW¼ Sec 1, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: _____

Corrected acreage by L. M. Hunter



WITNESS: Letter Oct. 26, 1942. Information by L. M. Hunter

Place Billings Montana

called at office

STATE OF MONTANA

STATE ENGINEER

~~HELENA~~, MONTANA
Billings,
Oct. 26, 1942

L. M. Hunter
Rte. 1
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Hunter:

We are making a survey of all the irrigated land in the Yellowstone Drainage basin. The purpose of this survey is to find the total irrigated acres in this basin. The findings are to be presented to the Yellowstone River Compact Commission.

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States Of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River, between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state.

h of the information needed to show the extent of water use must come rectly from those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. We would like to know if the information we have for your farm is correct. On the inclosed form we have mapped your farm and have shown the irrigated land in blue. If this information is not correct please draw in the correct boundariesto the best of your ability and return the form to us as soon as possible, in the self addressed stamped envelope inclosed. We also would like to know from what ditch you get your water to irrigate. If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated that is now idle, please indicate on the inclosed form.

In order to facilitate the work a branch office of the State Engineer has been extablished in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building the A. A. A. office is located in.

If this is not clear to you we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings,

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very turly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

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(custer) **Notice of Appropriation**

1. County Yellowstone Book A Page 75 Record Misc.
2. Nar Appropriator Elam A. Summer Address Custer Co., Mont Territory
3. Date ...priated Nov. 28- 1882 Date Filed Dec 18 1882

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ____, Cubic Feet per second ____

X. 4. Name of Stream Minn + Mont. L. + I. Co. Ditch Tributary ____ Basin ____

5. Point of Diversion On south side of irrigating ditch on NW¼

Sec. 2 Twp. 2S Rge. 24 E. Bank of Stream ____

6. Purpose Irrigation of land listed below
7. Description of System Ditch, running SE to NW corner of SE¼, Sec 2- 2S. 24E. thence to land
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use SE¼ Sec 2 2So. 24E.
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) X. By right of purchase from M. + M. L + I. Ditch Co. to waters in the irrigating ditch running thru Clarks Fork Bottom, or stream running there from Transcribed from Custer Co Records Book A.

Decree

10. Case No. ____ Date ____ Amt. Decreed: M. I. ____ C. F. S. ____
11. To Whom Decreed ____ Address ____
12. Name of Ditch ____ Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) ____
13. Date of Priority ____ Purpose ____
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed ____

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & Photo

1. Water User Independent Refining Co. Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates & ditches

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated Est 25 acres

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

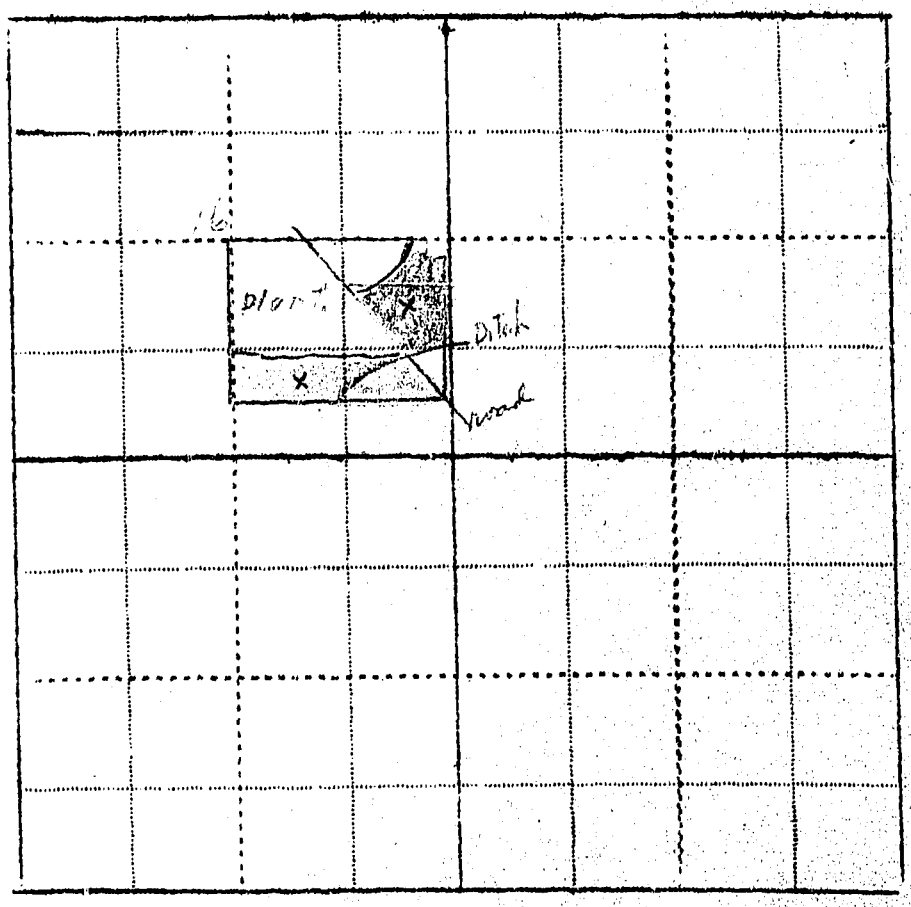
11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description N½ SE¼ N½ SE¼ Sec 16, T 2 So, R 24 E.

Remarks: [illegible]

[illegible]

80 acres past.



WITNESS: Letter Information by Letter

Place _____

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Billings,
Oct. 21, 1942

Independent Refining Co.
Laurel, Montana.

Dear Sir:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state. This agreement when reached will vitally affect each and every water user in the Yellowstone Basin.

Much of the information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly form those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. Inclosed we sending you a small map showing your land in and around the refinery. On this map you will note a field marked X. We would like to know if this field is irrigated and from what source the water is diverted. If it is not irrigated we would like to know when it was last irrigated, also the total acres irrigated.

In order to facilitate the work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building the A. A. A. office is located in.

We will appreciate your calling on us when in Billings.

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

Rec'd Oct 27-42 CC CC

Independent Refining Company

Laureleaf Petroleum Products

332 HART-ALBIN BUILDING
Billings, Montana

REFINERY AT
LAUREL, MONTANA

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
BILLINGS, MONTANA
P. O. BOX 1535

October 26, 1942

Mr. Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer
Box 873
Billings, Montana

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of October 21 addressed to our company at Laurel, Montana.

On the pencilled map enclosed with your letter, that portion of our land marked with an "X" is irrigated, and the source of the water for this field, as well as other portions of our property, is the Italian Ditch Company. We are the owners of 30 shares of Italian Ditch Company stock. To the best of my knowledge, the field marked "X" has not been irrigated for the last five years. I can not advise you as to the total number of acres irrigated or that can be irrigated as we are using the property for industrial site and have not kept up the ditches at all.

We would like to inform you that we use approximately 4,000,000 gallons of water per day at our refinery, which water is pumped from the Yellowstone River, and of this amount, approximately 75% is returned to the River. Therefore, we are using approximately 1,000,000 gallons net per day of Yellowstone River water.

If there is any additional information you desire, please address your inquiries to our Billings office.

Yours very truly,

D. E. Hageman
Vice-President

DEH/ejs

xxxxxxxx
Billings,
Oct. 27, 1942

Mr. [redacted] E. Hageman
Vice-President
Independent Refining Company
Billings, Montana

Dear Mr. Hageman:

We wish to take this time to thank you for the information you gave us and the prompt reply to our letter.

As you mentioned in your letter that you pump 4,000,000 gallons of water a day from the Yellowstone River, we would like to know you furnish us with the following information.

a. Size ar capacity of pump
b. Location
c. Year of first use
d. Is the water conveyed to the plant by ditch or piped
e. Who was the original appropriator

The above information is necessary to make the record of your water right complete. It is important because it will help show the total water used from the Yellowstone River. This is necessary to protect these rights against the water users in other states of the Yellowstone Basin. This is the chief purpose of our letter to you, and of the efforts of the State Engineer's office in assembling these data.

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't. Engineer

Independent Refining Company

Laureleaf Petroleum Products

332 HART-ALBIN BUILDING
Billings, Montana

REFINERY AT
LAUREL, MONTANA

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
BILLINGS, MONTANA
P. O. BOX 1535

October 30, 1942

Mr. Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer, State of Montana
P. O. Box 873
Billings, Montana

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of October 27 are the following answers to the questions you raised:

a. We have two 1250 gallon per minute pumps and one 350 gallon per minute pump.

b. These pumps are located in the City of Laurel pump station at the north end of Yellowstone River Highway bridge No. 310.

c. The first year that the refinery used water was 1930.

d. The water is transmitted by a fourteen inch cast iron pipe line.

3. The Laurel Oil & Refining Company was the first appropriator.

Yours very truly,

D E Hageman.

D. E. Hageman
Vice-President

DEH/ejs

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

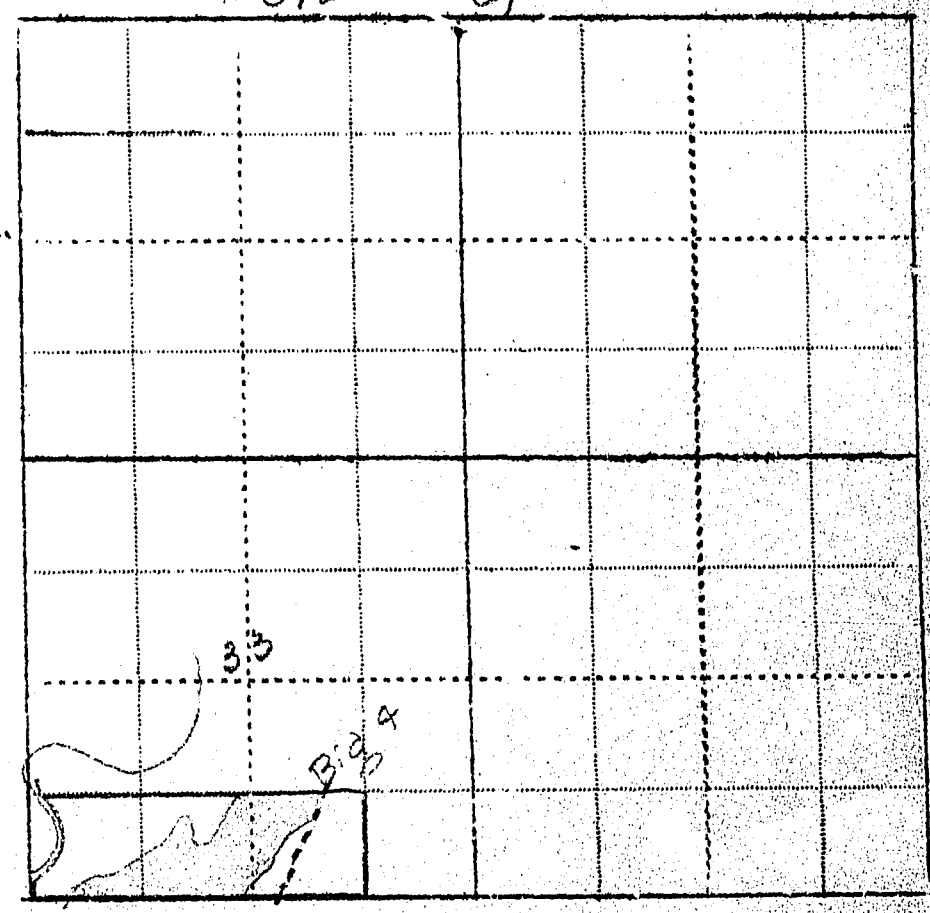
County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 2336

1. Water User F. E. Jacobson Address Laurel
2. Stream Big Four Ditch Tributary to Clarks Fork Basin Yel
3. Point of Diversion SW¼ ¼ Section 36 Township 3 S Range 23 E
4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding
6. Original Appropriator W. H. Webster Address Laurel
7. First Use: Oct 21. Year 1911 Acres Irrigated 49
8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated 49
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 49.
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned ____
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description SW SE¼ S SW¼ Sec. 33, T 2 S, R 24 E
    [illegible] " 32 " "

Remarks: [illegible] Sec 5 - 3 S 24 E.

#392 - #31

has 100 shares in the Big 4 ditch original appropriation was made Oct 21, 1911 - ditch 96 in. by 30 in irrigation domestic + other I dont think this appro. has any connection with the Big 4 ditch.



WITNESS: M. E. Kosko Information by Mrs F. E. Jacobson

Place Office Billings

Src 28-29-32

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Also Carbon Co. Book 1 Page 318 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator E. M. Coombs Address Carbon Co., Mont.
3. Date Appropriated April 1, 1912 Date Filed June 1, 1912

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 3000, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Big Slough Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion A dam across an arm of said river known as Big Slough at a point about 300 ft. east of the intersection of said slough with West line of

   Sec. 2 Twp. 3 So. Rge. 23 E. Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation and domestic
7. Description of System Dam and ditch about 4 ft. wide on bottom, 4 ft. deep and to conduct water to said land by means of said ditch and pumping outfit.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, Sec. 2; NW¼, Sec. 1; Frac. Sections 11 & 12, 3 South 23 East (Not Yellowstone Co.)

   Frac. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 3 South, 24 East (Sec. 6 & 7 not Yellowstone)

   Frac. Sections 28, 29, 31, 32 2 South 24 East
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Transcribed from Water Right Record Book 3, page 208 Carbon Co. Records.

   Water appropriated March 25, 1912 (1912)

Decree

10. Case No Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County (Carbon) Yellowstone Book L Page 308 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator William Webster Address Laurel Mont
3. Date Appropriated Oct. 21- 1911 Date Filed Oct. 23. 1911

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 200, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Clarks Fork River Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion On north line of John Murrays land on Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 + East

   Sec. 36 Twp. 3 So Rge. 23 E Bank of Stream East
6. Purpose Irrigation, domestic & other
7. Description of System Ditch 96 in. by 30 in. Runs north & land of use.

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use

S½ SE¼, SE¼ SW¼, Lot 9	Sec	33	2 So 24 E
Lot 4	"	32	2 So 24 E
Lot 2		5	3 So 24 E

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

Decree

C F S

FORM SM-1 Jackson, Dorothy

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information ACA 1022

1. Water User Dorothy Jackson Address Laurel

2. Stream Italian Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals + Flumes

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Private + Tim Reardon et al. Italian ditch Co. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated + 1902 on appropriation when Italian ditch was built.

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated ~~[illegible]~~ 65

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 65.0

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned —

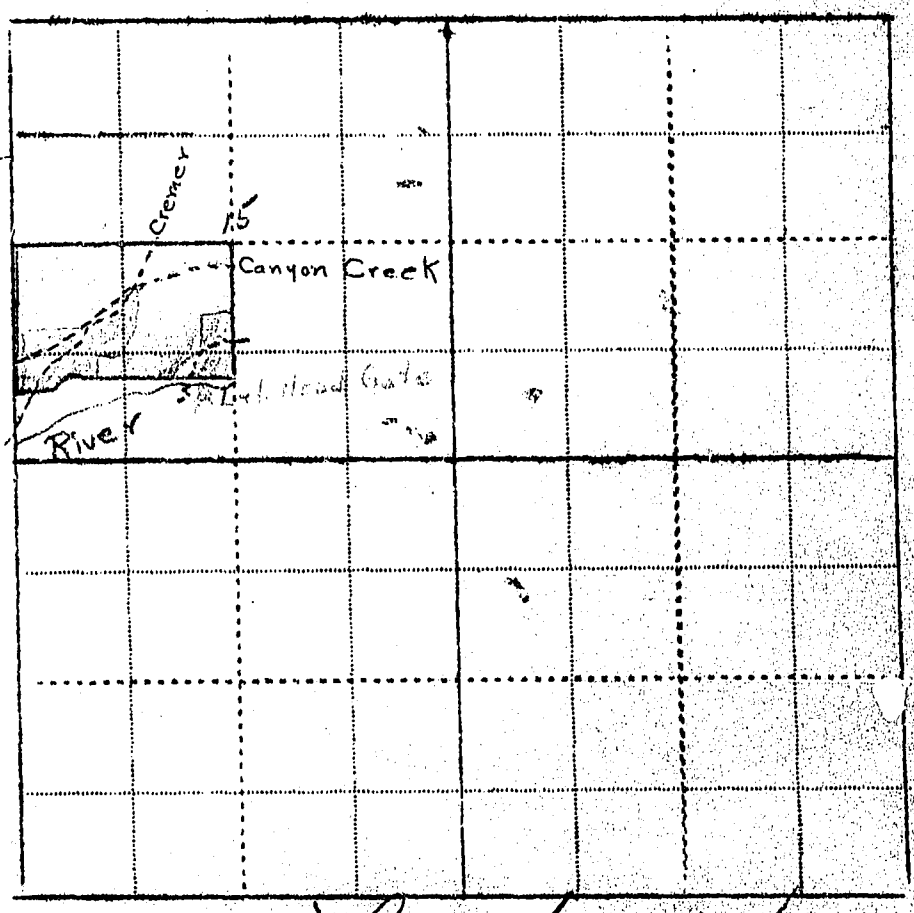
11. Condition of System Good.

12. Land Description N½SW¼, Lot 4, Sec 15, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____ #323 #307

Leo Kamp = user

Dorothy Jackson owner ownership Book 24 shares in the Italian Ditch + Appropriation for 10 C.F.S. out of Camp Creek



WITNESS: [signature] Information by Leo Kamp

Place Billing Jan 29, 1943

P.207

Billings,
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November 20, 1942

Mr. G. L. Avery
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Avery:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already completed their records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state. This agreement, when reached, will vitally effect each and every water user in the Yellowstone Basin.

Much of the information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly from those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. We would like to know if the information we have compiled on the enclosed form of your farm is correct. The irrigated land is shown in blue and land that has been irrigated and is now idle is green. We would like to know from which ditches you use water for irrigation and the number of shares you own in these ditches. Will you also please indicate on the enclosed map what portion of your land is irrigated from each ditch. If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate this too. If our record is not correct will you please give us the correct information by writing it under remarks on the enclosed form, and mail it to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Delay in this matter may mean less water and development of our irrigation resources in the future. Any information you may give us regarding questions numbered 4, 8 and 11 will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3 777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJC/rh
enc

Billings,
xxxxxxx
January 4, 1948

Mr. Leo Kamp
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Kamp:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. This agreement when finally reached will vitally effect each and every water user in the Yellowstone Basin. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in this basin for the protection of their water rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state. As much of the information needed to show the extent of our water use must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue and land that is now idle, but that has been irrigated in the past is shown in green.

Second: From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate and how many acres are under each? Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch. How many shares do you have in the ditch company?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book E Page 164 Record Misc
2. Name of Appropriator Nora A. Kamp. Address Yellowstone Co. Mont.
3. Date Appropriated Jan. 21, 1906 Date Filed Feb. 2 1906

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 80, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Camp Creek & trib. Tributary Yellowstone Basin Yel.
5. Point of Diversion on line between NW¼ & SW¼ of

   Sec. 15 Twp. 1 S Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Domestic Stock & other
7. Description of System Dams, ditches & flumes - Ditch 2 ft. wide on bottom, 3½ ft wide on top & 2 ft deep
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use Lots 1, 2 Sec 15 twp 2 S Rge 24 E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Flows SE thru N2 of Sec. 16 across sec. 15, 2 S, 24 E, & empties into Yellowstone River

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book C Page 505 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Jim Reardon et al Address Laurel Mont.
3. Date Appropriated June 6, 1902 Date Filed June 10, 1902
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ____, Cubic Feet per second 10
4. Name of Stream Canyon Creek Tributary Yellowstone Basin Yel.
5. Point of Diversion about 50 feet east of center of the N.P. & C.C.R.R. in the NW¼
   Sec. 16 Twp. 2S Rge. 24E Bank of Stream ____
6. Purpose Irrigation & other
7. Description of System Dam or headgate, ditch 2 feet wide on bottom about 8 ft. on top & about 4 feet deep Runs NW about ½ mile to land
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use
   Sec 15, 2S, 24E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)
   et al being being Daniel Foley, F. B. Jackson & J. H. Jackson.
   Chapter into Canyon Creek Ditch on north Bank about 1 mile from N.P.R.R. Bridge on yellowstone River near Laurel

Decree

10. Case No. ____ Date ____ Amt. Decreed: M. I. ____ C. F. S. ____
11. To Whom Decreed ____ Address ____
12. Name of Ditch ____ Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) ____
13. Date of Priority ____ Purpose ____
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed ____

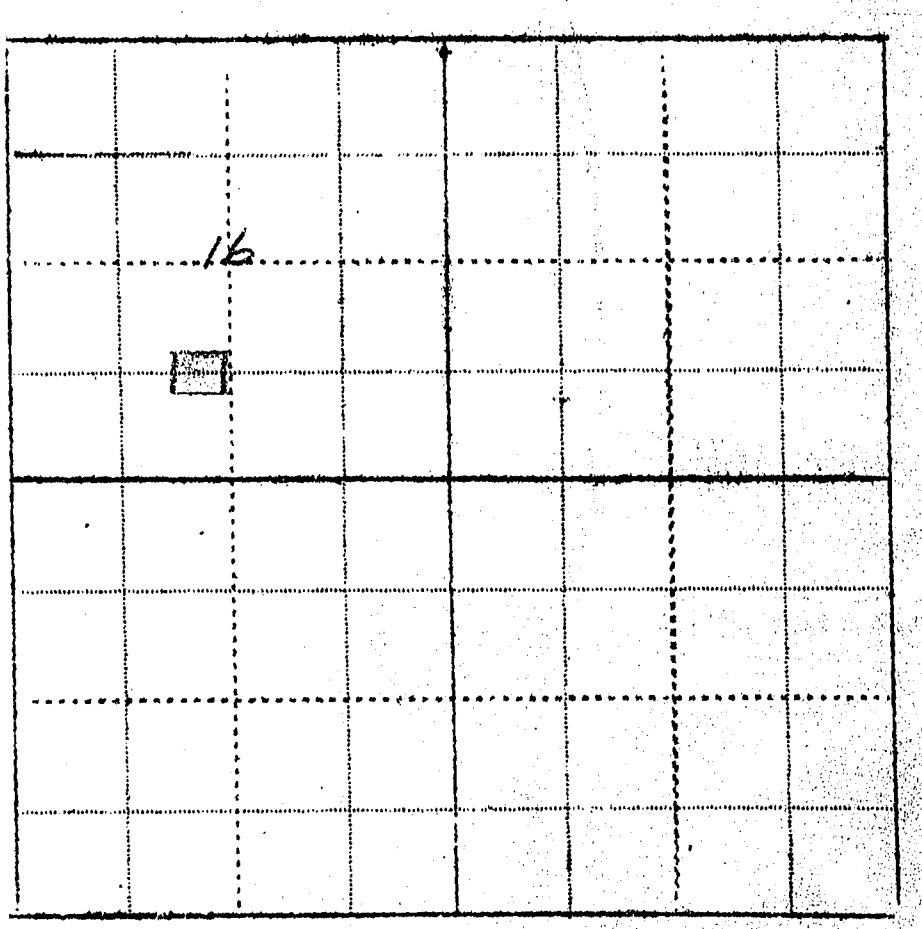
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Edward Jones Address Box 142, Laurel
2. Stream Italian ditch Tributary to Basin
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + Ditch
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 10
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description S½SE¼NW¼SW¼, N½NE¼SE¼SW¼, Sec. 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Has 10 shares in Italian ditch - irrigates all land from Italian ditch



WITNESS:

Information by Edward Jones

Place Laurel Mont. June 7th 1943.

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information Ownership & photo

1. Water User Edward Jones Address Box 142 - Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Slation ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

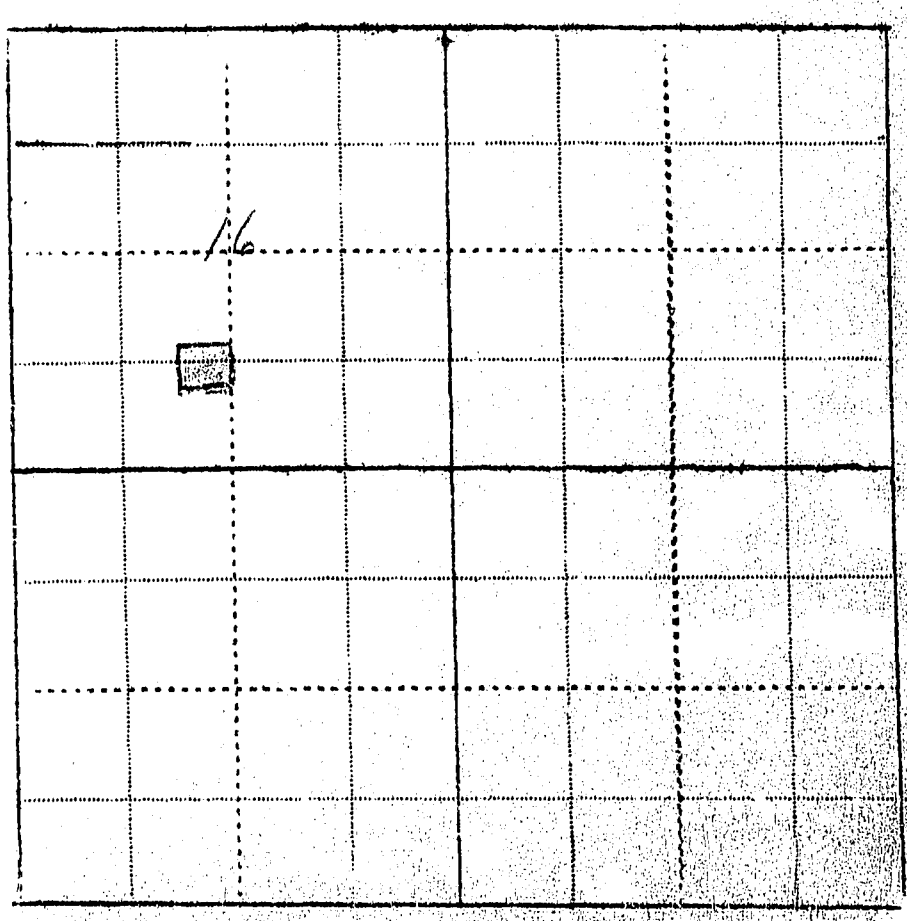
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 10

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description S½ SE NW SW¼, N½ NE SE SW¼ Sec 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Has 10 Shares in Slation ditch



WITNESS:

Laurel Mont
Jan 7th 1913

Mr Gerald J Cravetz

My 10 shares of Italian Ditch Stock Were bought
to irrigate my 10 acres as shown on your form SM1.
Every thing shown form checks ok.
Have signed form and returning with this Letter.

Edward Jones

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. Edward Jones
Box 142
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Jones:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated land will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. Edward Jones
Box 142
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Jones:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state ave being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1 9D

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information Ownership - Plats & L.C.

1. Water User Martha Johnson Address Box 792 - Laurel

✓ 2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch + Pipe

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 4.60

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

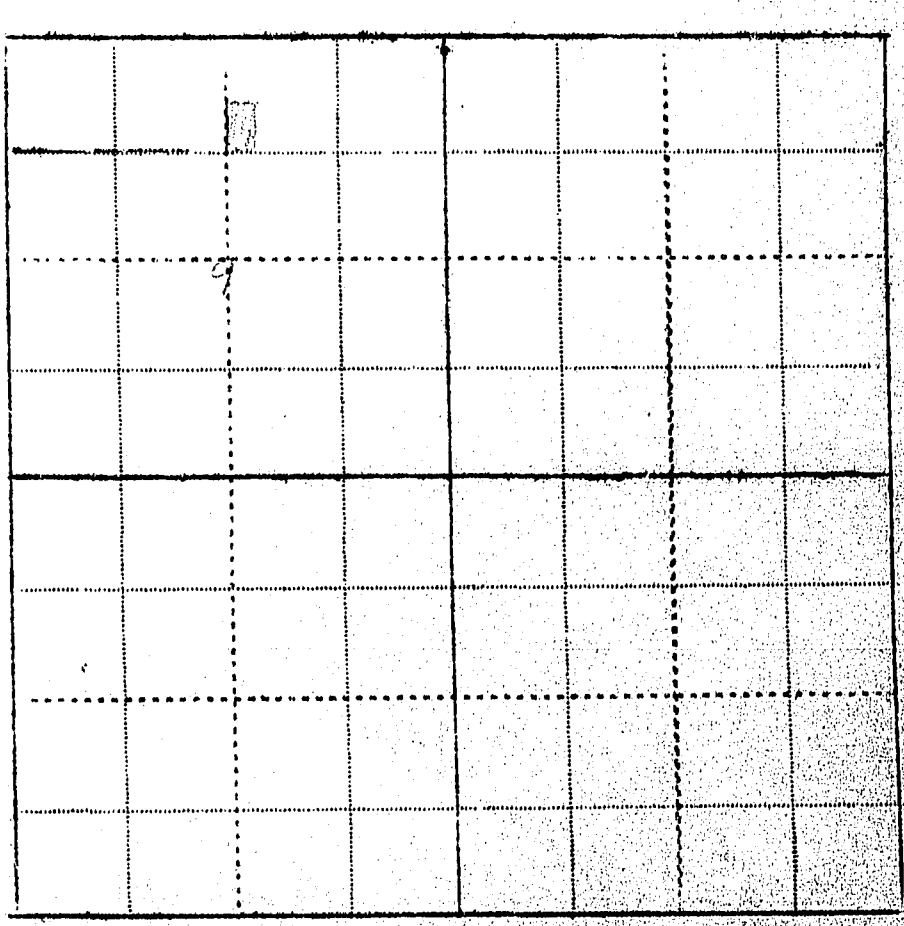
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Trac NW NE¼, Sec 9, T 28, R 24 E

Remarks:

Contact by car

1 Share in Big Ditch.



WITNESS: [signature]

Information by J. S. Goman

Place Laurel

FORM SM-1 E.W. Weaht - Rt 1, Box 121, Laurel is buying 10-8-9 place

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Ystone Source of Information Ownership, Photo + L.C.

1. Water User A J Johnson Address ~~Box 1973 - Laurel~~ 807 N. 28

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ~~3.75~~ 4 A.

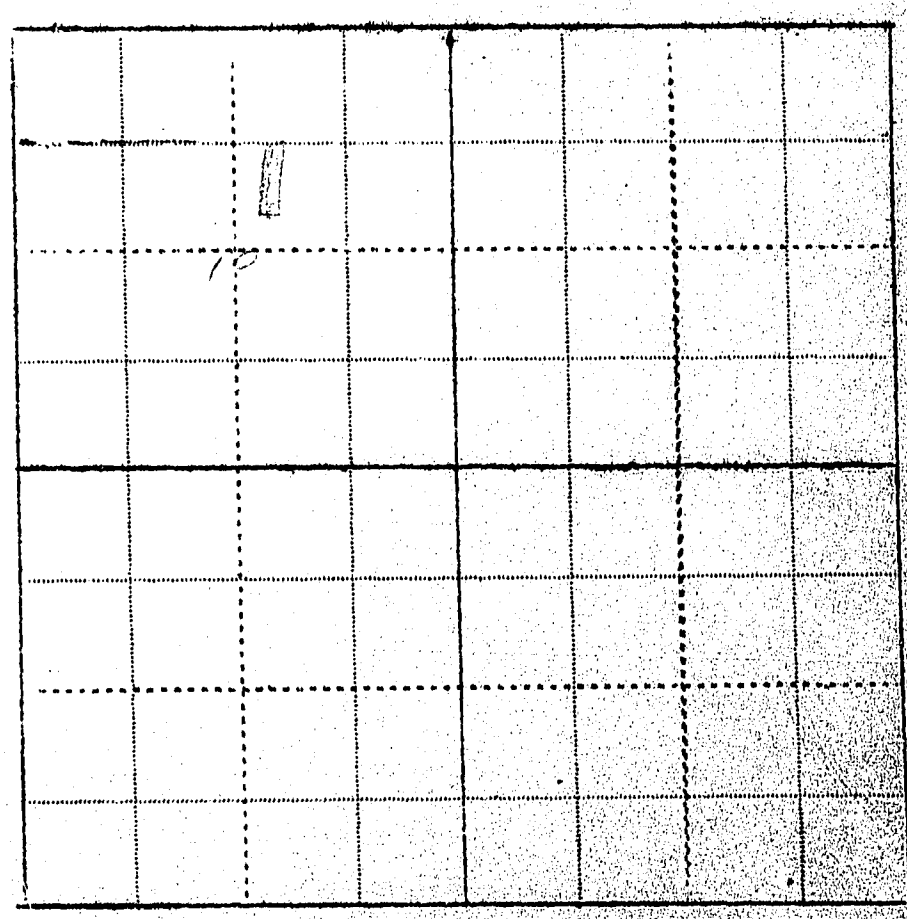
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Frac SW NE¼ Sec 10, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

1 share Big Ditch



WITNESS: S.J.O. Information by observation

Place + Neighbors

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Billings,
Oct. 15, 1942

A. J. Johnson
Box 973
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We are making a survey of all the irrigated lands in the Yellowstone drainage basin. The purpose of this survey is to find the total irrigable acres in this basin. The findings are to be presented to the Yellowstone River Compact Commission, and are to be used in the State Engineers Office.

We are therefore asking you to help us. Our records show that you own 4 acres in the SWNE¼ of section 10 and that it is all irrigated. We would like to know if our record is correct and from what ditch you get your water.

Please write under remarks on the inclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct give us the correct information.

Inclosed you will find a self addressed envelope which does not require any postage.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

xxxxxxx
Billings,
November 6, 1942

A. J. Johnson
Box 975
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On October 15th we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land. To date we have not heard from you. It is necessary that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in irrigation enterprises in the state.

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If this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

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FORM SM-1a Inter County Land Co.

STATE OF MONTANA WATER RESOURCES SURVEY

County Yellowstone Date May 13 1943

Name of Water User Henry Kautz Address Selisia Mont.

1. Do you own this land? Yes ___ No ___ If not give the owner's name below:

   Owner's name Inter County Land Co. Address Red Lodge

2. Source of Water Clarks Fork Water delivered by White Horse Canal.

3. Give point of Diversion Same as Ditch Co. ¼ ¼ Section ___ Township ___ Range ___

4. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity ✓ Pumping ___ Other ___

5. Who first used water on this land? White Horse Canal Address Red Lodge

6. In what year was this land first irrigated? When ditch came in. Approximate Acres ___

7. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? 172 Date 1942

8. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 172 - 95 A. Yellowstone County 77 A Carbon Co.

9. If this land is not irrigated now give date of last use ___

10. State the total number of acres that could be irrigated 172 acres.

11. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good.

12. Land Description: S2 NE4 N2 SE4 Sec 29, Twp. 2 S Range 24 E
    SW4, NW4, NW4 SW4, Sec 28

Remarks: ___

No seepage - have had enough water - No shares all owned by I. C. L. Co.

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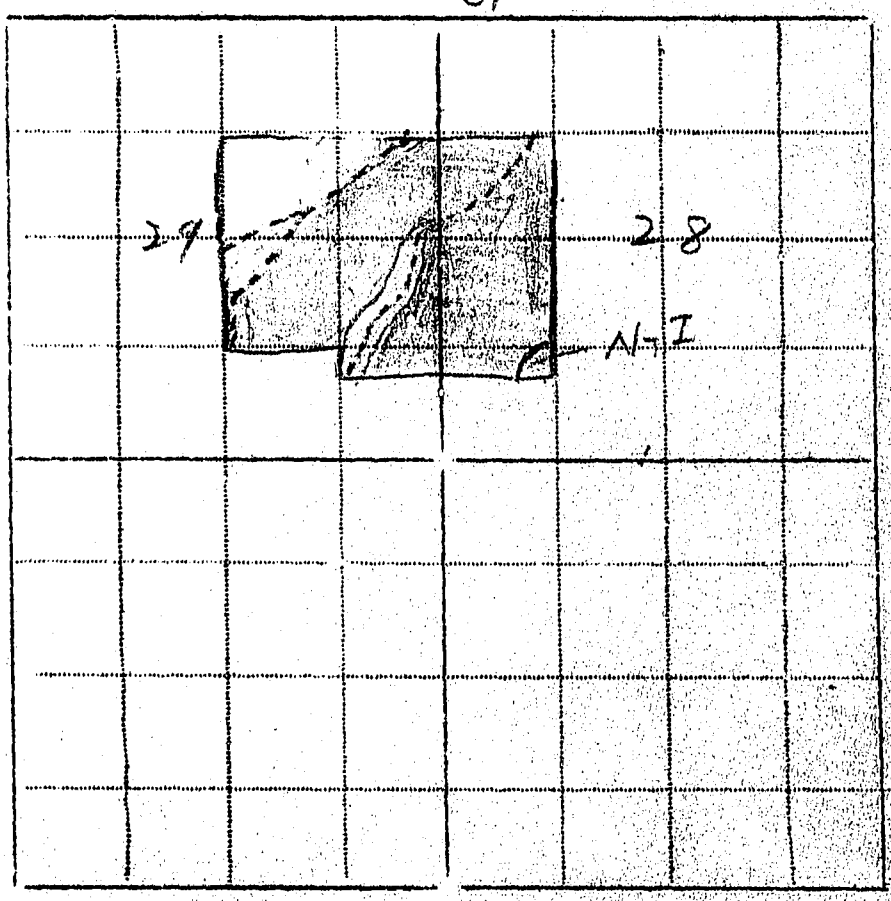

Information by Henry Kautz Place Billings Date May 13, 1943

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Carbon Source of Information AAA 1014 A, 1014 B

1. Water User Intere County Land Co Address Red Lodge, Mont

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 95

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~[illegible]~~ 107.00

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

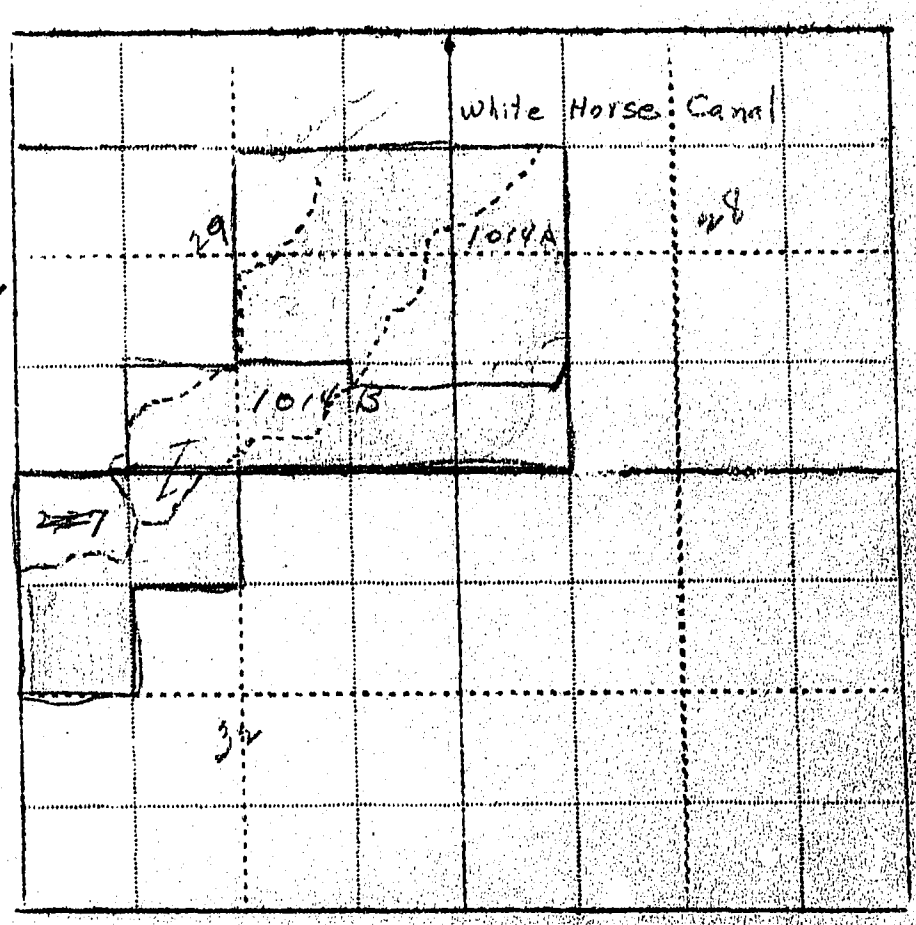
12. Land Description W½ SW¼ SW NW¼ Sec 28, T 2 S, R 24 E.
SE¼, S½ NE¼, SE SW¼ Sec 29 - N½ NW¼, SW NW¼, Sec 32

Remarks: _____

1014 A,
Henry Kautz
Rt. 1 Selesia Mont,

Geo Hart
Selesia Mont

1014 B



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Inter-County Land Co. Address Red Lodge, Mont.

2. Stream Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

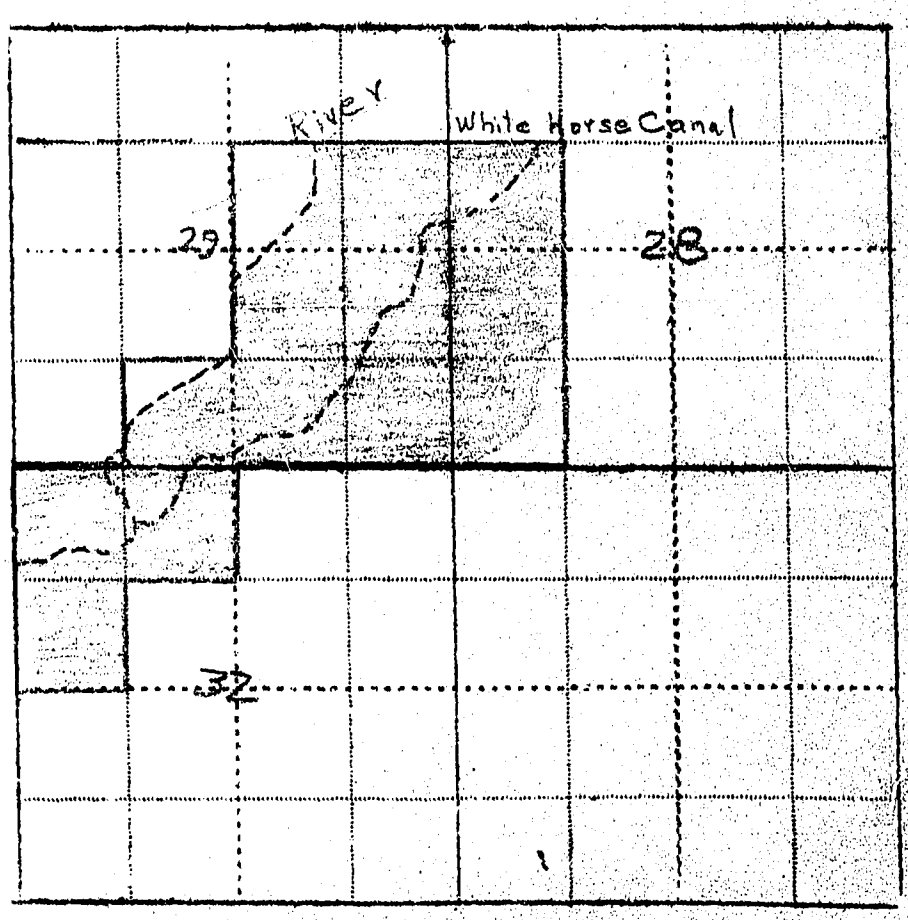
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 352.

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description $W\frac{1}{2}SW\frac{1}{4}$, $SW\frac{1}{4}NW\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 28; $SE\frac{1}{4}$, $S\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$, $SE\frac{1}{4}SW\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 29; $N\frac{1}{2}NW\frac{1}{4}$, $SW\frac{1}{4}NW\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 32, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:



WITNESS: Information by

Place

Sec 1,2,9,32

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Notice of Appropriation

Also Carbon Co.

1. County Yellowstone Book L Page 318 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator E. M. Coombs Address Carbon Co., Mont.
3. Date Appropriated April 1, 1912 Date Filed June 1, 1912

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 3000, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Big Slough Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion A dam across an arm of said river known as Big Slough at a point about 300 ft. east of the intersection of said slough with West line of

   Sec. 2 Twp. 3 So. Rge. 23 E. Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation and domestic
7. Description of System Dam and ditch about 4 ft. wide on bottom, 4 ft. deep and to conduct water to said land by means of said ditch and pumping outfit.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, Sec. 2; NW¼, Sec. 1; Frac. Sections 11 & 12, 3 South 23 East (Not Yellowstone Co.)

   Frac. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 3 South, 24 East (Sec. 6 & 7 not Yellowstone)

   Frac. Sections 28, 29, 31, 32 2 South 24 East
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Transcribed from Water Right Record Book 3, page 204 Carbon Co. Records.

   Water appropriated March 25, 1912 (1912)

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1a

STATE OF MONTANA WATER RESOURCES SURVEY

County Carbon Date April 19, 1943

Name of Water User George Hart Address Silesia

1. Do you own this land? Yes ___ No X If not give the owner's name below:

   Owner's name Inter County Land Co. Address Red Lodge

2. Source of Water Clarks Fork River Water delivered by White Horse Canal

3. Give point of Diversion Same as white Horse canal, ¼ ¼ Section ___ Township ___ Range ___

4. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity X Pumping ___ Other ___

5. Who first used water on this land? White Canal Co. Address Red Lodge,

6. In what year was this land first irrigated? ? Approximate Acres ✓

7. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? 172.7 Date ___

8. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 172.7 12 A. Ystone County 160.7 A Carbon County

9. If this land is not irrigated now give date of last use ✓

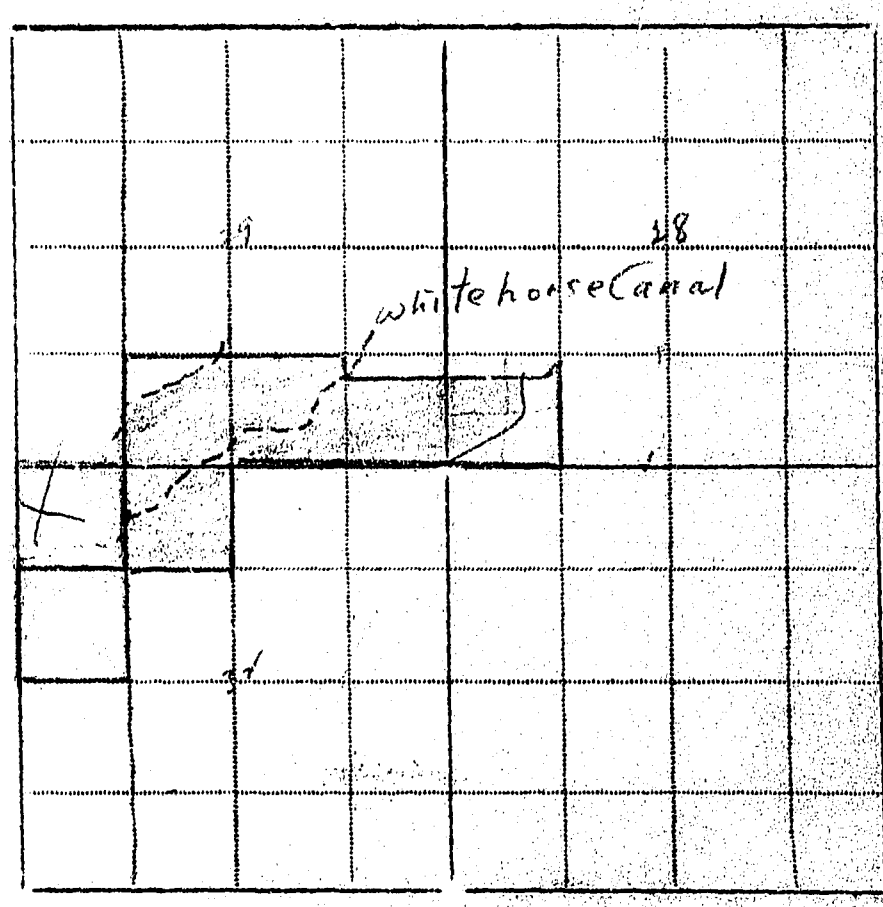
10. State the total number of acres that could be irrigated 172.7 acres.

11. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good.

12. Land Description: SE¼SW¼, S½SE¼, Sec. 29; Part SW¼SW¼, Sec. 28 NE NW¼, SW¼NW¼, Sec. 32, Twp. 2 S. Range 24 E.

Remarks: How many shares do you have in the White Horse Canal?

Always plenty of water No shares water is furnished by ditch Co. which is Inter County Land Co. W. E. Odgen President of Company at Red Lodge



Information by George Hart Place Billings Date May 12, 1943

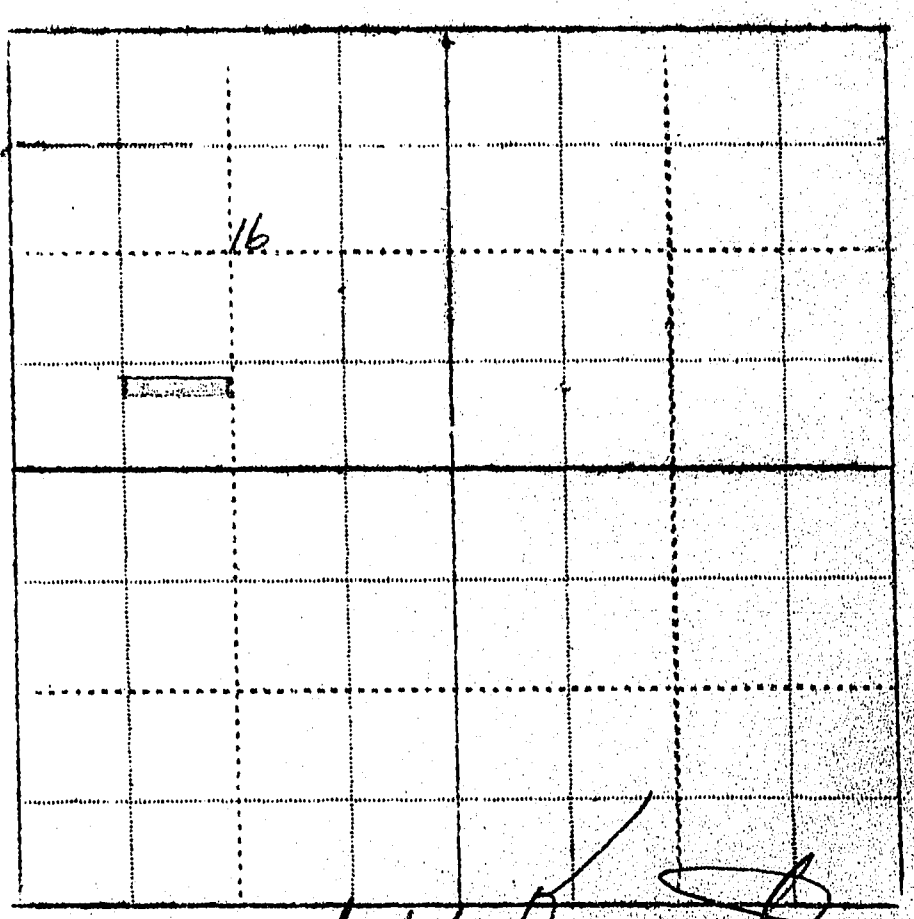
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User J. H. Kautz - owner - Address Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ Italian Ditch Co Tributary to Yel. R. Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion Same as ditch ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + ditches
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding.
6. Original Appropriator Ditch Co. Address Laurel
7. First Use: Year 1930 Acres Irrigated 10
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 10
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 10
10. Last Use: Year ✓ Why Abandoned ✓
11. Condition of System Good.
12. Land Description S½N½SE¼SW¼, Sec. 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: has 5 shares in the Italian ditch, before 1930 it was irrigated from the Mill Ditch. Has plenty of water and all neighbors use from same ditch and get along good. The date of first use is the same as the old Mill Ditch Co first use



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Information by J H Kautz

Place Billings Jan 28, 1943

FORM SM-1 16 K

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County [illegible] Source of Information Ownership & Photo

1. Water User [illegible] Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

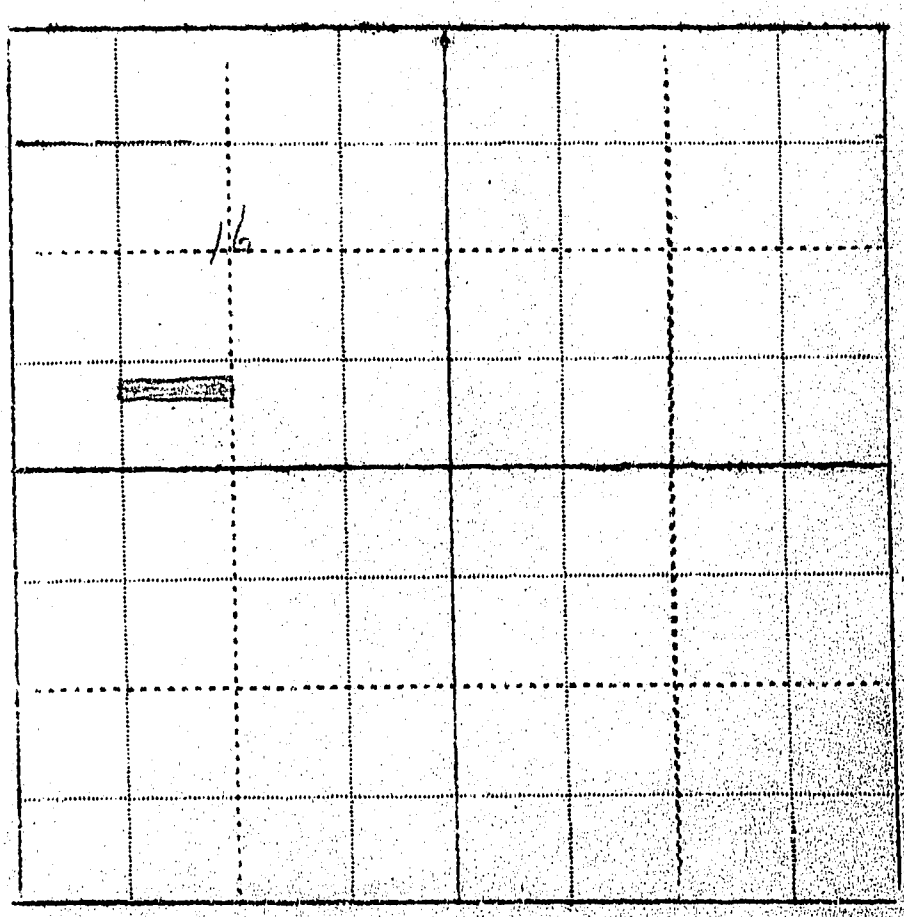
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 10

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible] Sec 16, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____



WITNESS-

Billings,
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November 24, 1942

Mr. J. H. Kautz
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Kautz:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below. From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate and how many acres under each? How many shares do you have in each ditch company?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. J. H. Kautz
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Kautz:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

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Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Christina Keck Address Laurel

✓ 2. Stream Big Ditch of Mason Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Co. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 1.69

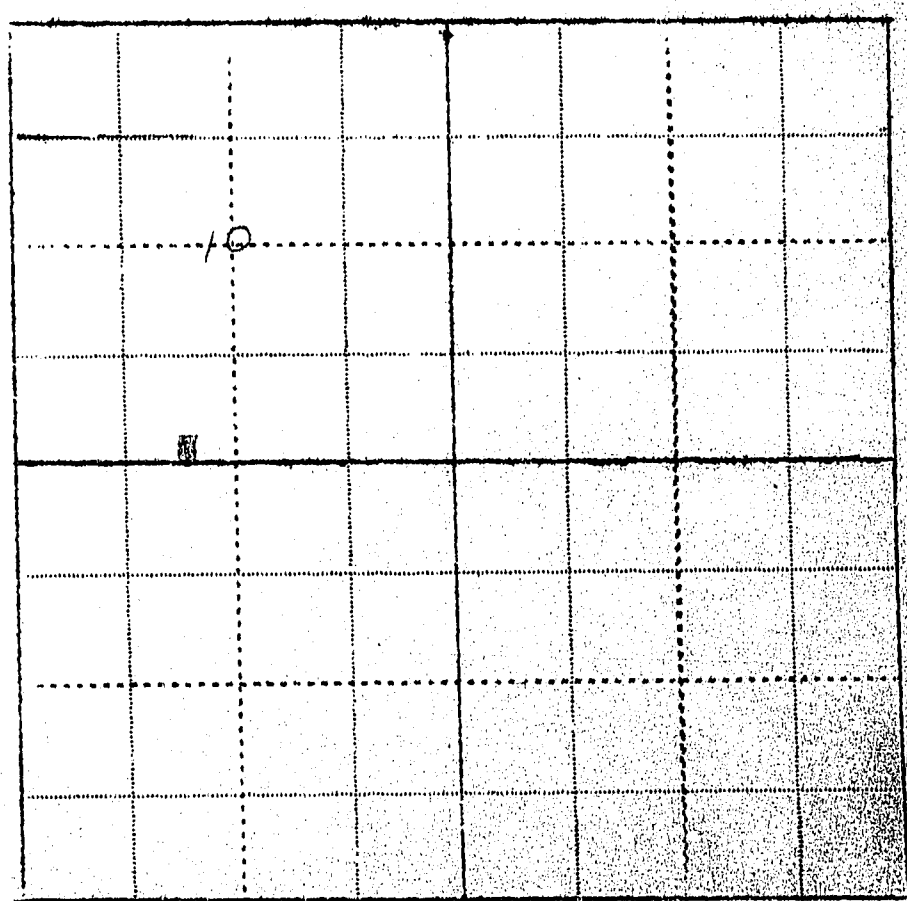
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac SE¼SW¼ Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: H 311

1 share in the Big ditch.



WITNESS: _____ Information by F Phone

Oct 14, 1942 Place Billings

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ditch Co.

1. Water User Christine Keck Address Laurel

2. Stream Mason Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 1/2

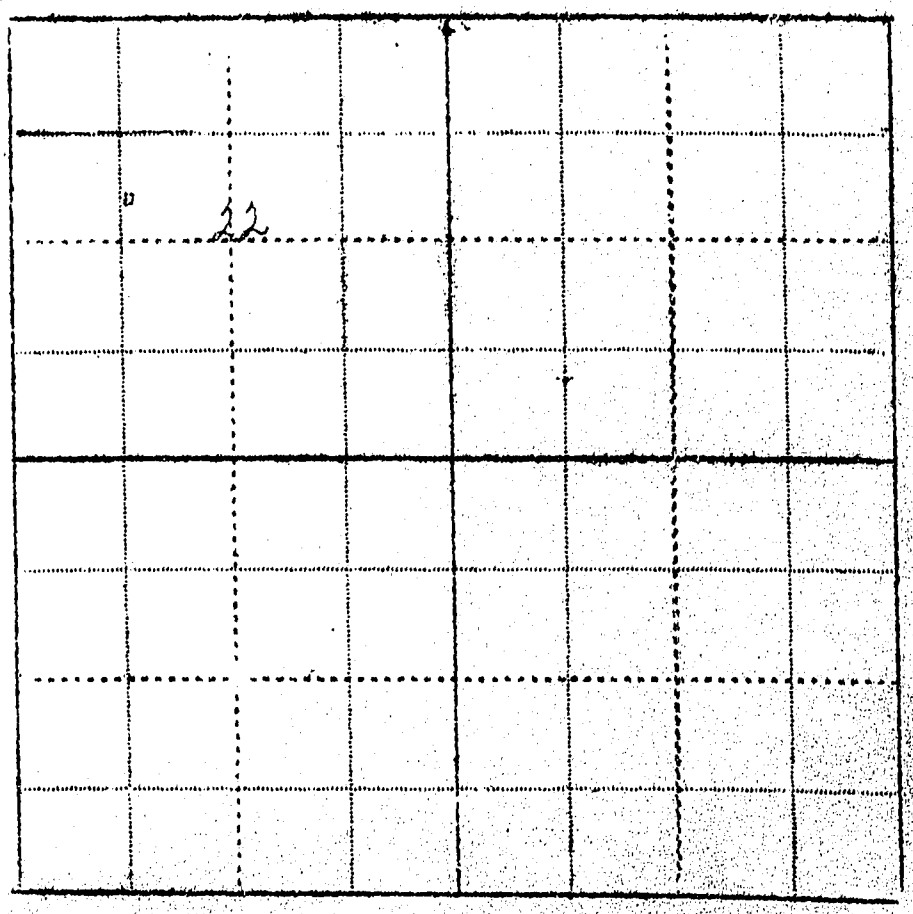
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description Frac NW Corner of S½ SE NW¼ Sec 22 T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

by Ann Danford Dust.



FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Christine Keck Address Laurel

2. Stream Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

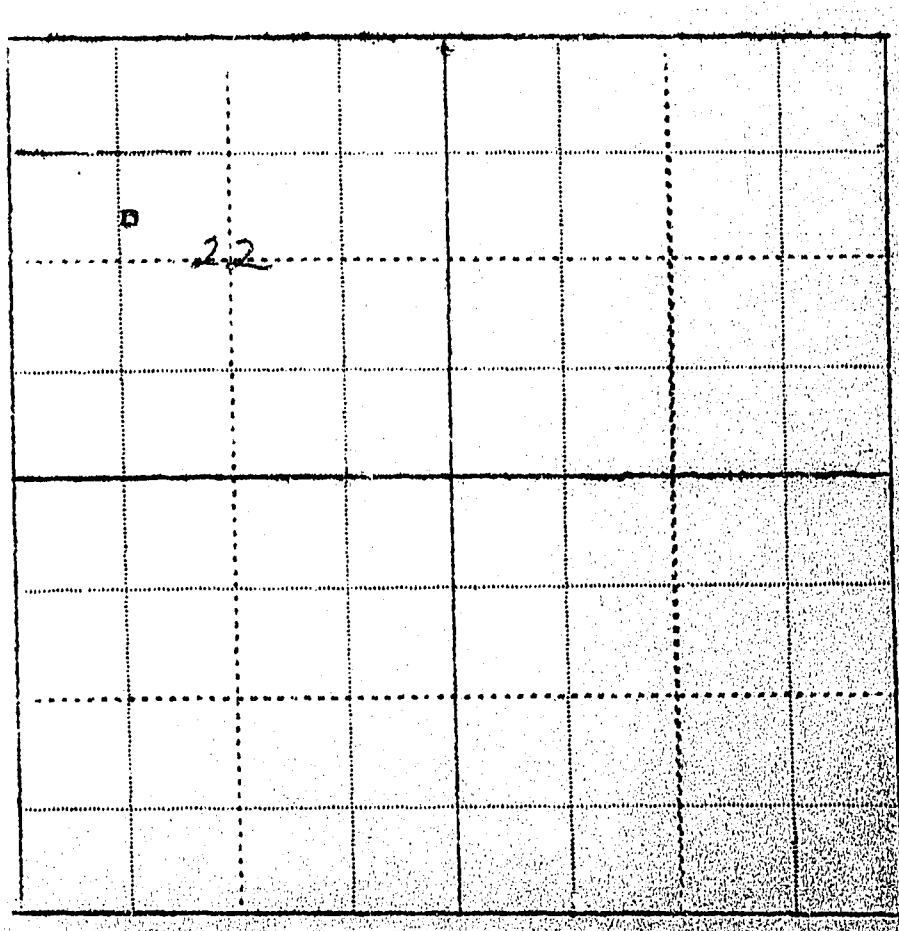
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ½ A.

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description Frac. NWcorner of S½SE¼NW¼, Sec. 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:



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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 69 Record Misc

2. Name of Appropriator Lucius A Nutting Address Laurel, Mont.

3. Date Appropriated Dec. 19, 1890 Date Filed Dec. 20, 1890

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 250, Cubic Feet per second

4. Name of Stream Camp Creek Tributary Basin

5. Point of Diversion About 100 ft. east of center of the east branche of Rocky Fork in N² sec. 16, 2 S, 24 E & near quarter line between NE NW⁴ of sec 16, running thence NE along N.P. right of way to west line of sec 10, 2S, 24E

Sec. Twp. Rge. Bank of Stream

6. Purpose Irrigation, watering stock, domestic & other legal

7. Description of System Dam & ditch 100" X 30"

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use S² sec. 10, 2 S, 24 E

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Appropriated Nov. 19, 1890

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.

11. To Whom Decreed Address

12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)

13. Date of Priority Purpose

FORM SM-1 8M

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & Photo

1. Water User Helen Ketchum Address Laurel

2. Stream Italian Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 1

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned #

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description [illegible], Sec 8, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

2, Shares in ditch
Irrigate about an acre
Total acres in [illegible] 4 acres
Domestic water from city

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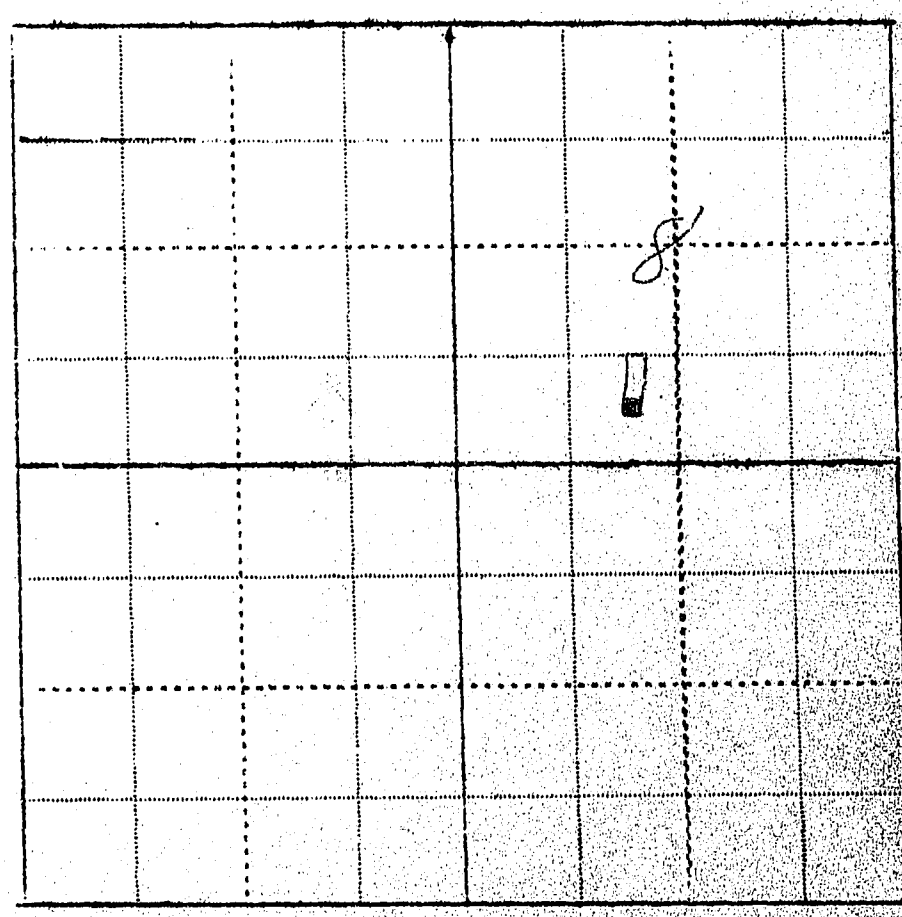

WITNESS: G. J. Ormsby Information by Phone
Oct. 15, 1942 Place Billings

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STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 62 Record misc
2. Name of Appropriator Chas. D. Camp Address
3. Date Appropriated 5-14-90 Date Filed 5-14-90

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 400, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Bald Hill Creek Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion

   SW Sec. 36 Twp. 1 S Rge. 23 E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation
7. Description of System
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, SW¼ sec 8- 2S-24E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1

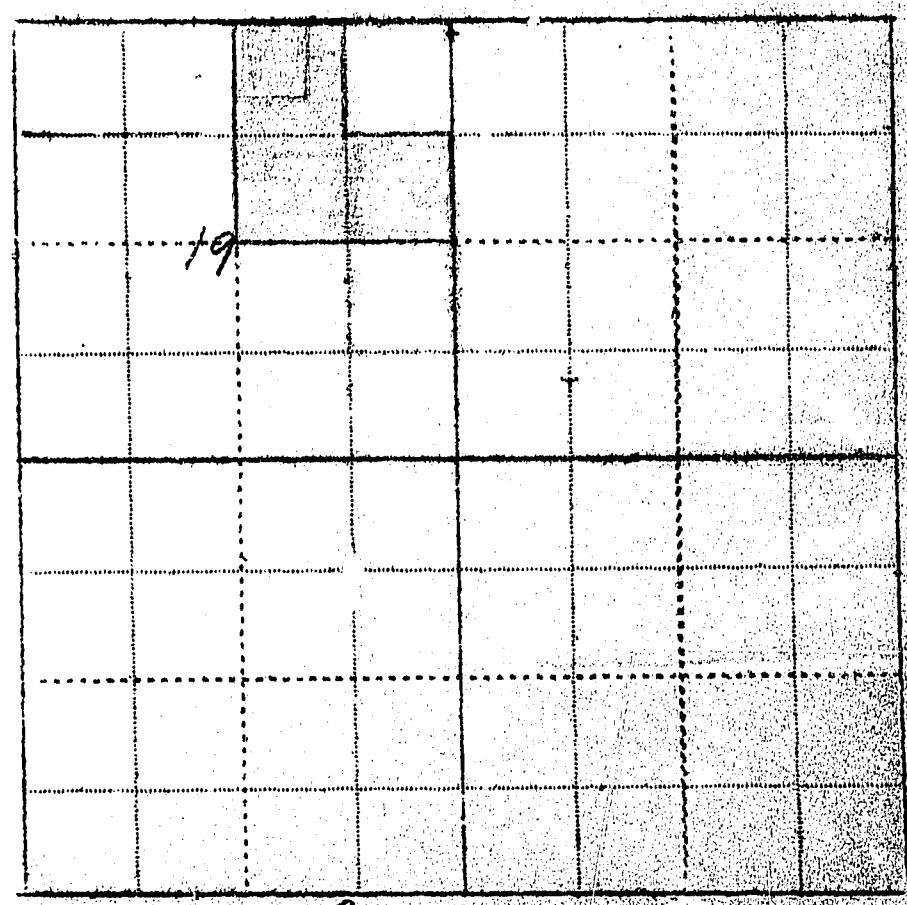
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User ~~Henry Fechtner~~ sold to Phillip + Marie Knaub Address 4025 2nd Ave So., Billings
2. Stream Italian ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Ditch Co. Address Laurel Mont R.1 Box 41
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~97~~
10. Last Use: Year 1942 Why Abandoned 120 acres
11. Condition of System Fair
12. Land Description S½NE¼, NW¼NE¼, Sec. 19, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Italian Ditch
Nur 36 Shaver



WITNESS: G J Cravetz Information by Phillip Knaub
Place Billings Office

Billings,
xxxxxx
November 25, 1942

Mr. Phillip Knaub
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Knaub:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

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If you irrigate from more than one ditch, will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding you farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1 Knaub, Philip

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES 19B-

County Yellowstone Source of Information ACA 926

1. Water User Henry Lichtner Address 4025 2 Ave So, Billings

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 97.0

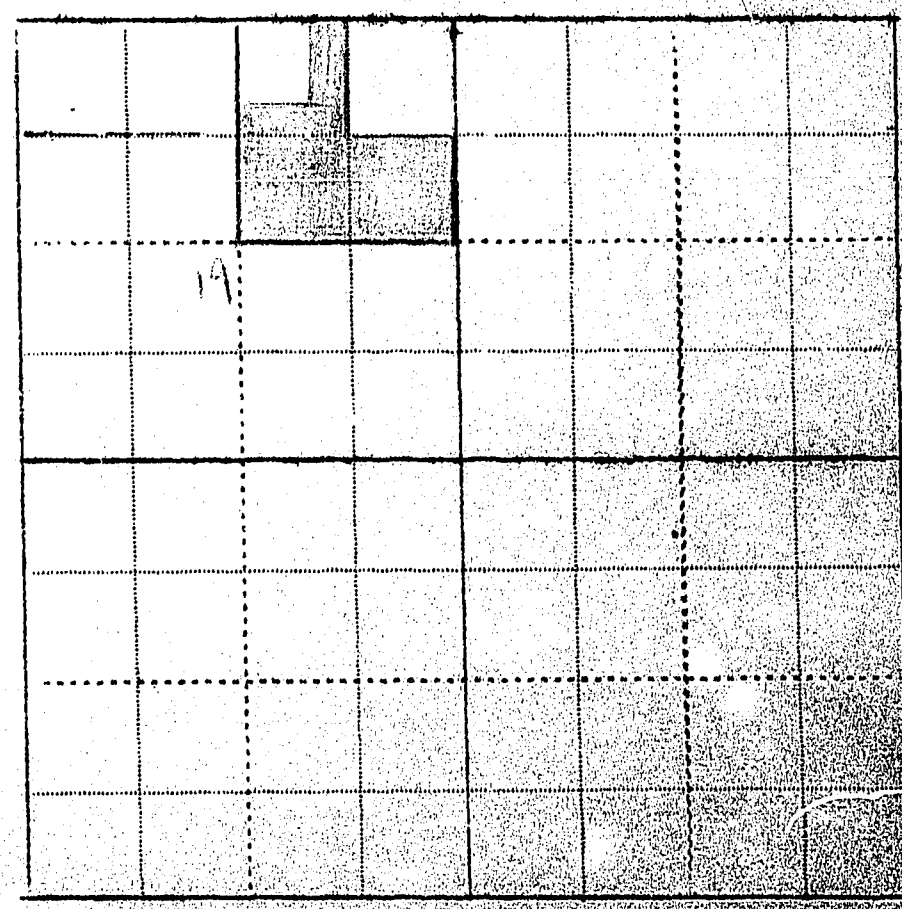
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description S½NE¼, NWNE¼, Sec 19, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____

Sold To Phillip + Marie Knaub



WITNESS

FORM SM-1

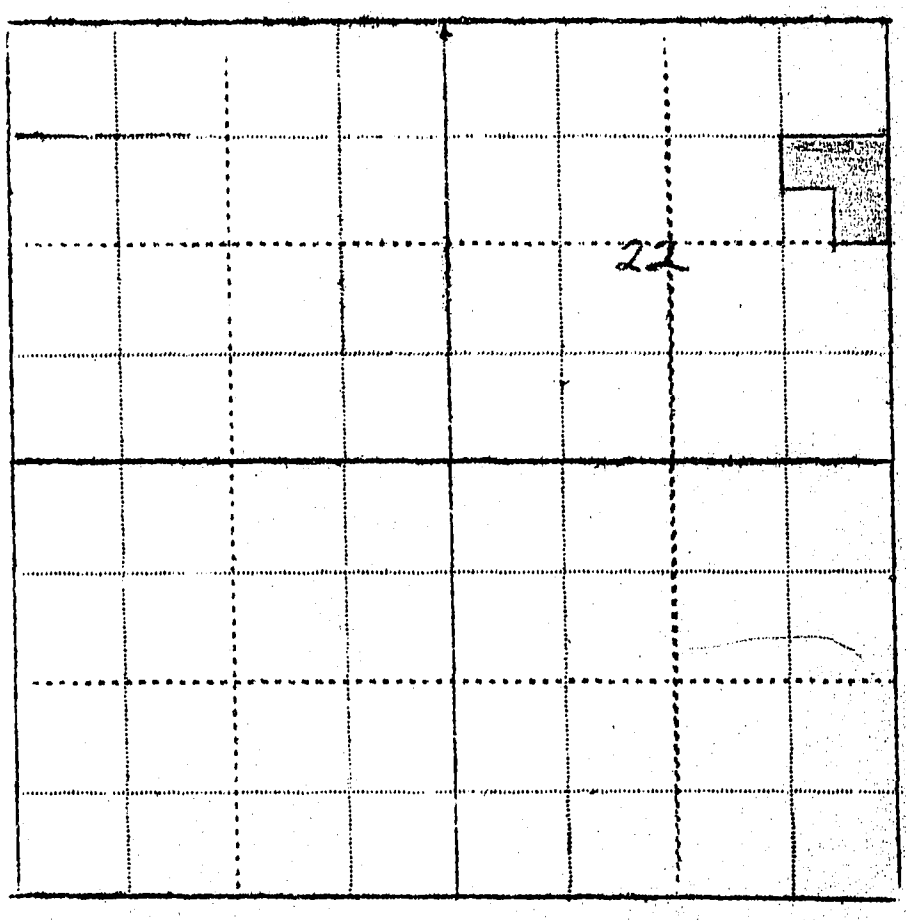
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Albert Kozelka Address Route 1, Laurel
2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + Partials
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Davis ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 30 est.
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned —
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description NW¼SE¼NE¼, E½SE¼NE¼, Sec. 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Has 75 inches in davis ditch Company Stock all irrigated ~~at~~ as shown



WITNESS: S. Brandt

Information by Mrs A Kozelka

Place Billings office

Nov. 30. 1942

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

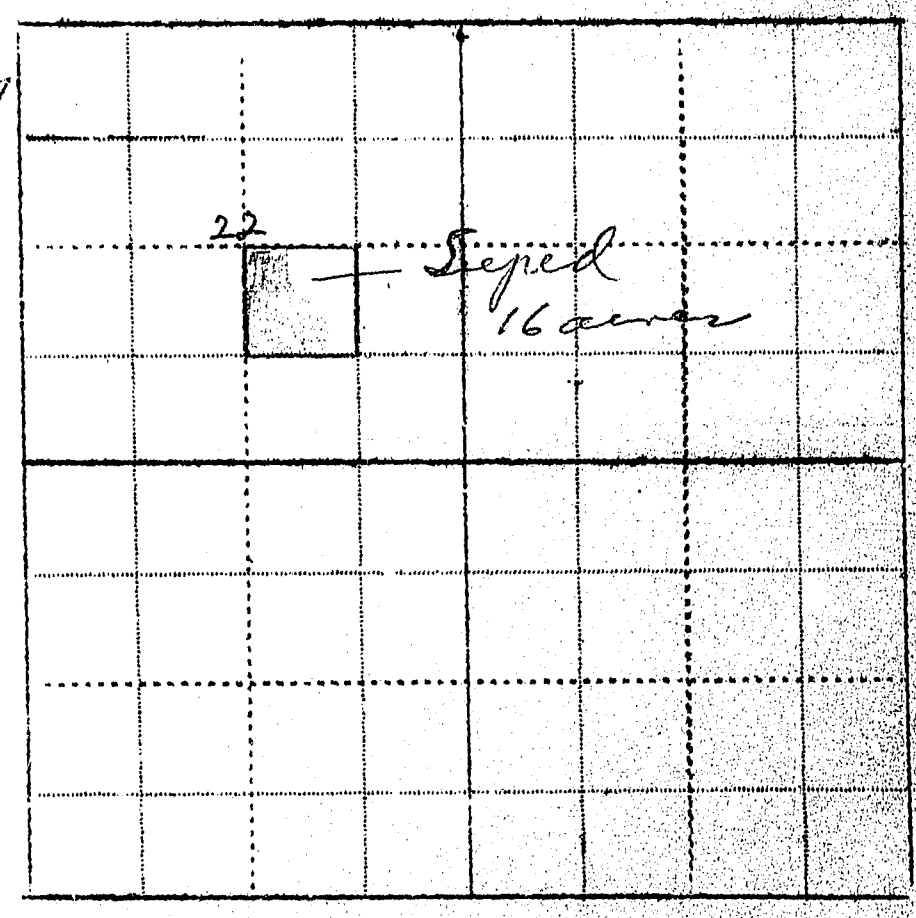
County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Mrs. ~~Marie~~ anna Kozelka Address Route 1, Laurel
2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Davis Ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 21
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 21
10. Last Use: Year 1936 Why Abandoned had to bring water through T.L. Milkens property — he disapproved
11. Condition of System can be irrigated out of Davis ditch
12. Land Description NW¼SE¼, Sec. 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

If you can give us the information on this land we will greatly appreciate it.

How many inches in Davis Ditch Company Stock.



WITNESS: S [illegible]

Information by Mrs A Kozelka

Place Billings Montana

June 30, 1942

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County [illegible] Source of Information AAA 2340

1. Water User [illegible] Address Rte 1 - Laurel

2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

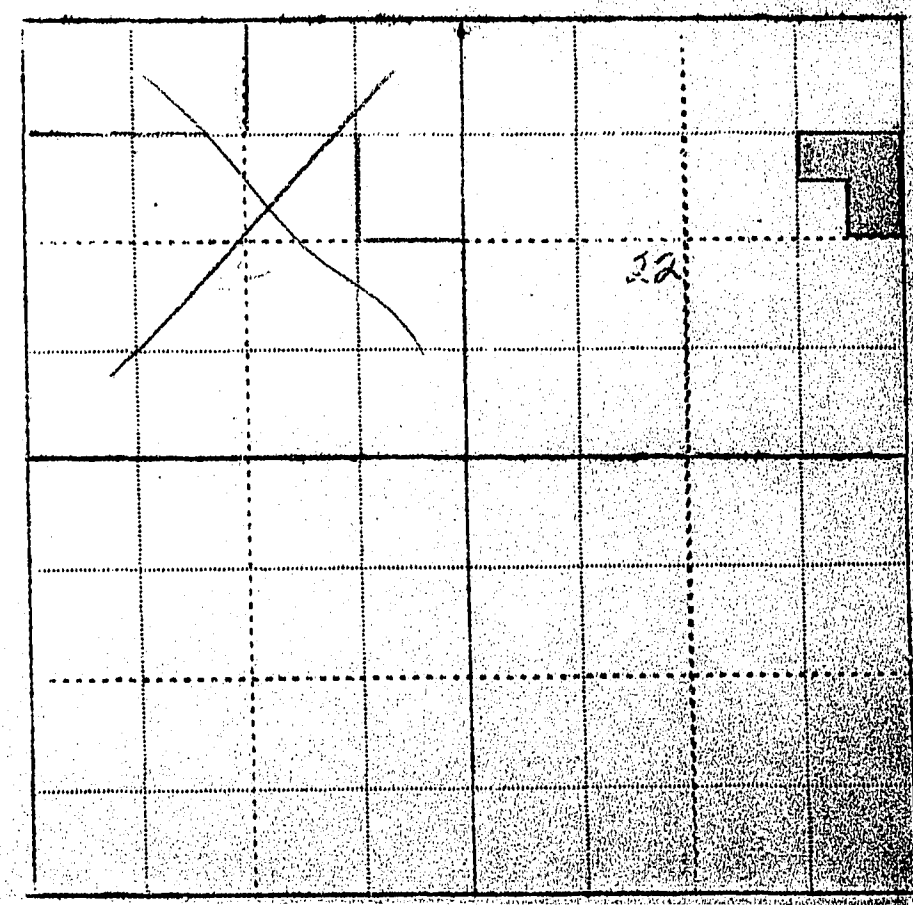
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated (26.0) 30 est

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description NW SE NE¼, E½ SE NE¼, Sec 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: _____



FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information 2339

1. Water User Mrs Marie Kozelka Address Rte 1 Laurel

2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

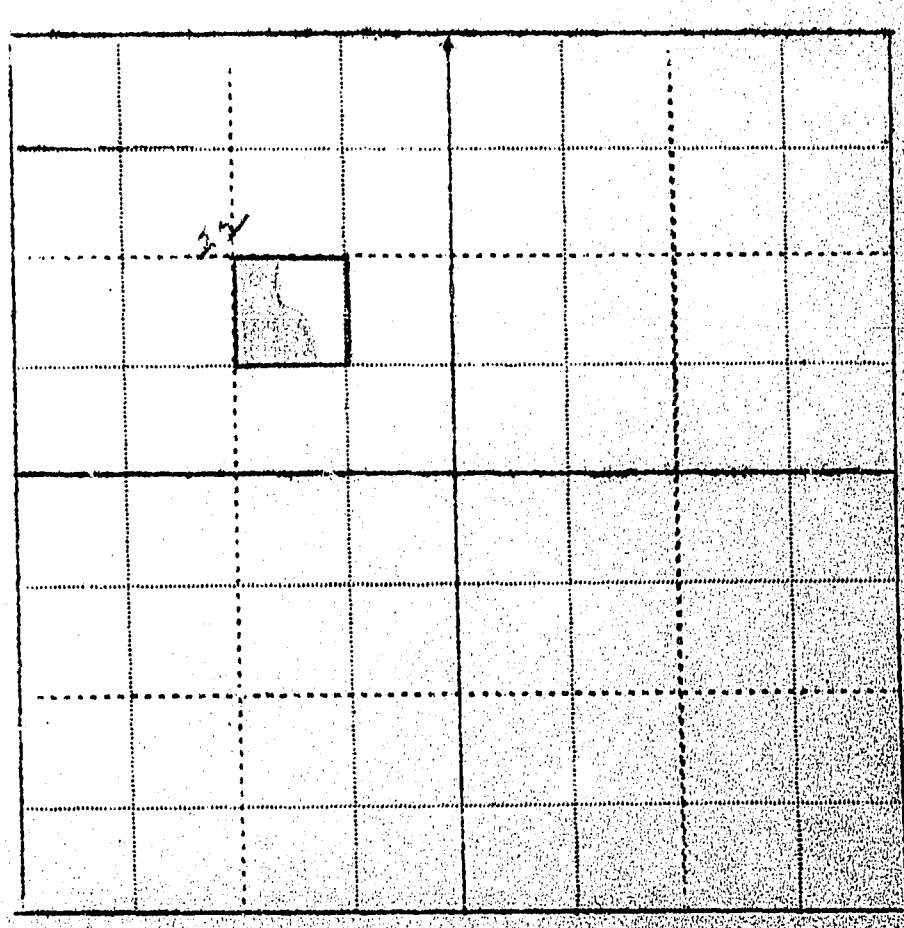
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 21.0

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description NW SE; Sec 22, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
xxxxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. Albert Kozelka
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Kozelka:

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Second: From what ditch or ditches do you get your water and how many acres are under each ditch? How many shares do you have in each ditch?
If you have a private pumping plant or ditch, please answer as many of the questions checked in red as you can.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mrs. Albert Kozelka
Route 1
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mrs. Kozelka:

We have just called Mrs. S. Ogure in Laurel who is the Vice-President of the Davis Ditch Company. Mrs. Ogure informed us that she would see you in regard to securing for us a list of all the water users and the number of shares they hold under the Davis Ditch.

Along with this we would like to have the date the ditch company was first organized, the total number of shares under the ditch and the total acres irrigated. Mrs. Ogure advised us that she was very busy and that it might be possible she would not have time to secure this information for us. If she does not call on you within the next day or two, we would like to have you send us the information listed above. This could be returned with your farm plat which we are submitting to you at this time.

Thanking you for your trouble, I am,

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Joseph Krshka Address Laurel

✓ 2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated .56

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac SW 48 Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

No Shares listed

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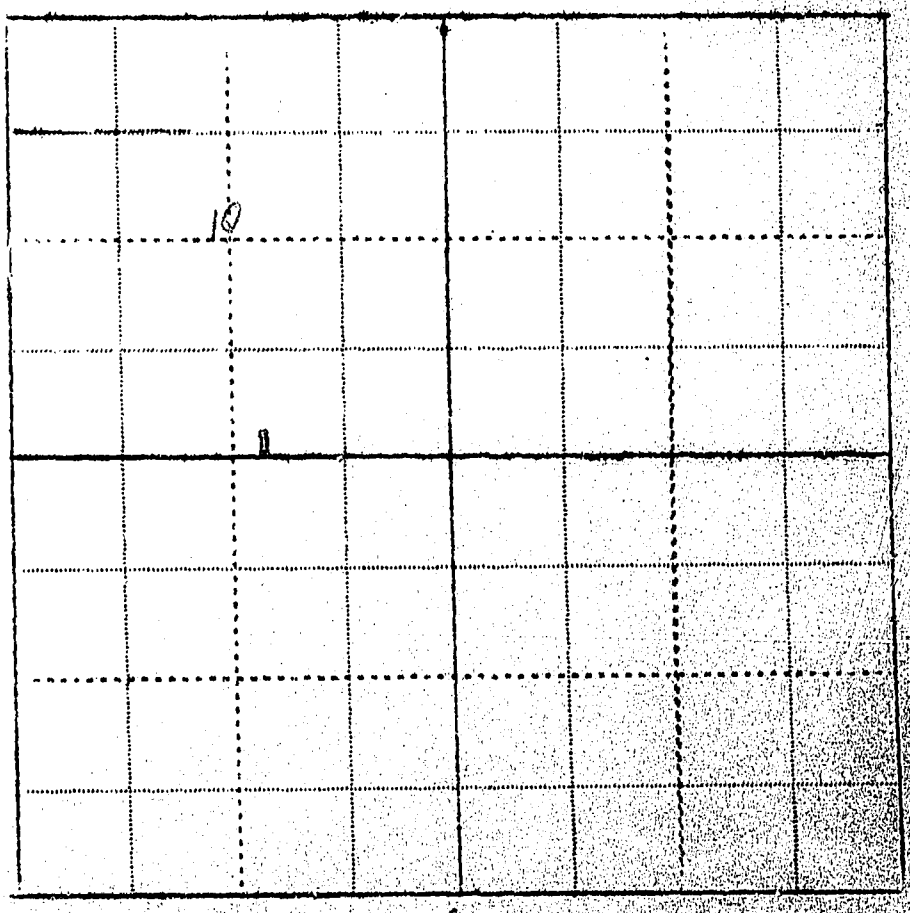

WITNESS: GJO

Oct 14 1942

Information by Phone

Place _____

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Rose Krshka Address Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 1

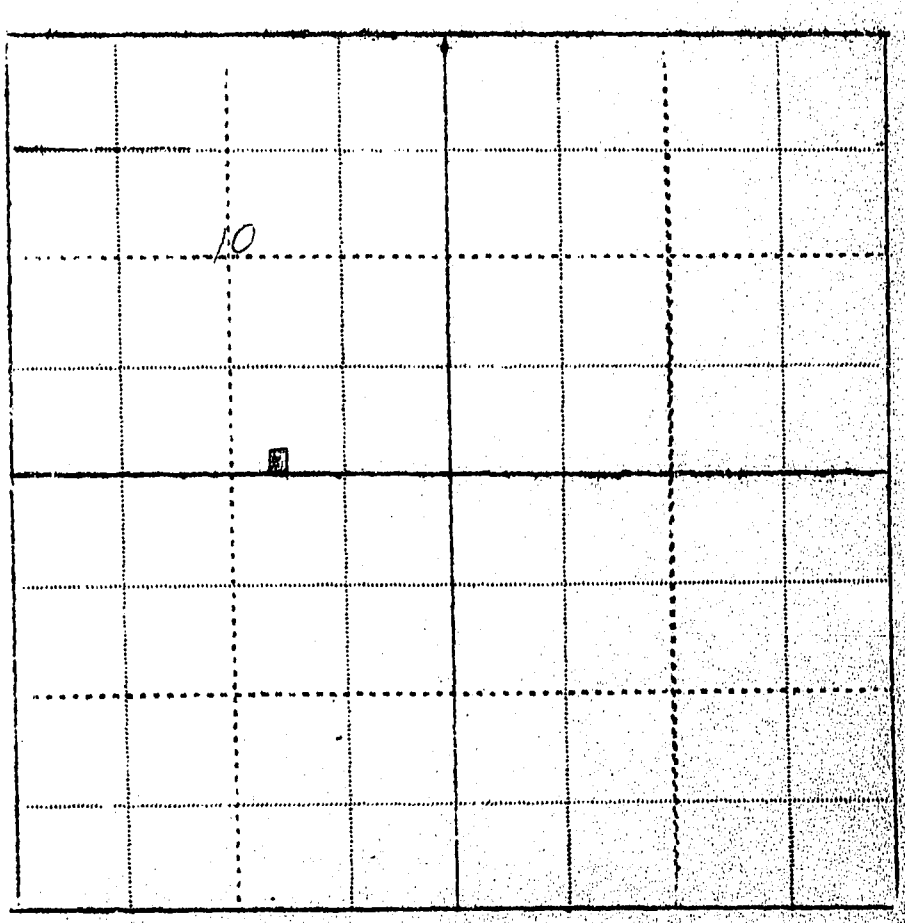
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac. SW SE¼ Sec 10, T 28, R 24 E.

Remarks:

No shares listed
Can not know
how many.



WITNESS: JJD Oct. 4 1942

Information by Phone

Place _____

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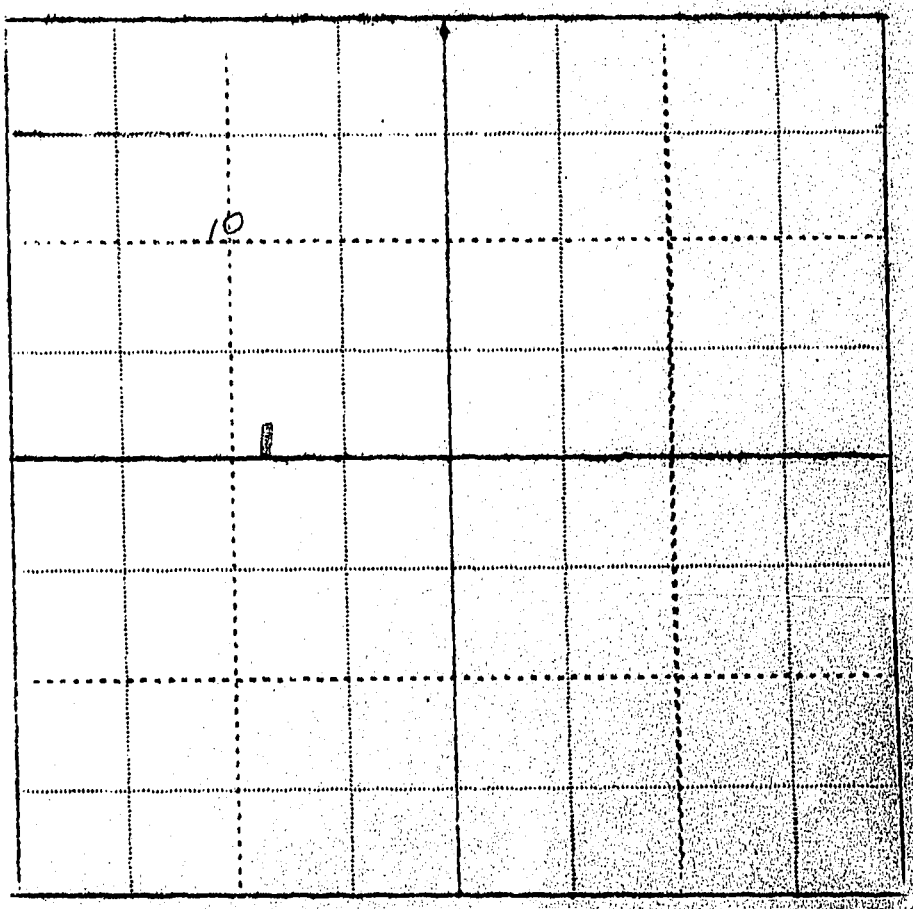
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Rose Krshka & A B. Noel Address Laurel
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System _____
5. Type of Irrigation _____
6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated .97
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System _____
12. Land Description Frac SW SE¼ Sec 10, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____

Oct. 14, 1942

Information by Phone

Place _____

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-1034

1. Water User J J Krug Address Silesia

2. Stream Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Culverts, ditches & headgates

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Danford Irri dist Address + E. M. Coombs

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated [illegible] 1187

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good,

12. Land Description SE4 NW4, N2 SE4 Frac SW NE4, W of R.R. - NE SW4 Sec. 28, Frac. NW SW4 Sec. 27 W of River, T 2S, R 24 E.

Remarks: 109.4

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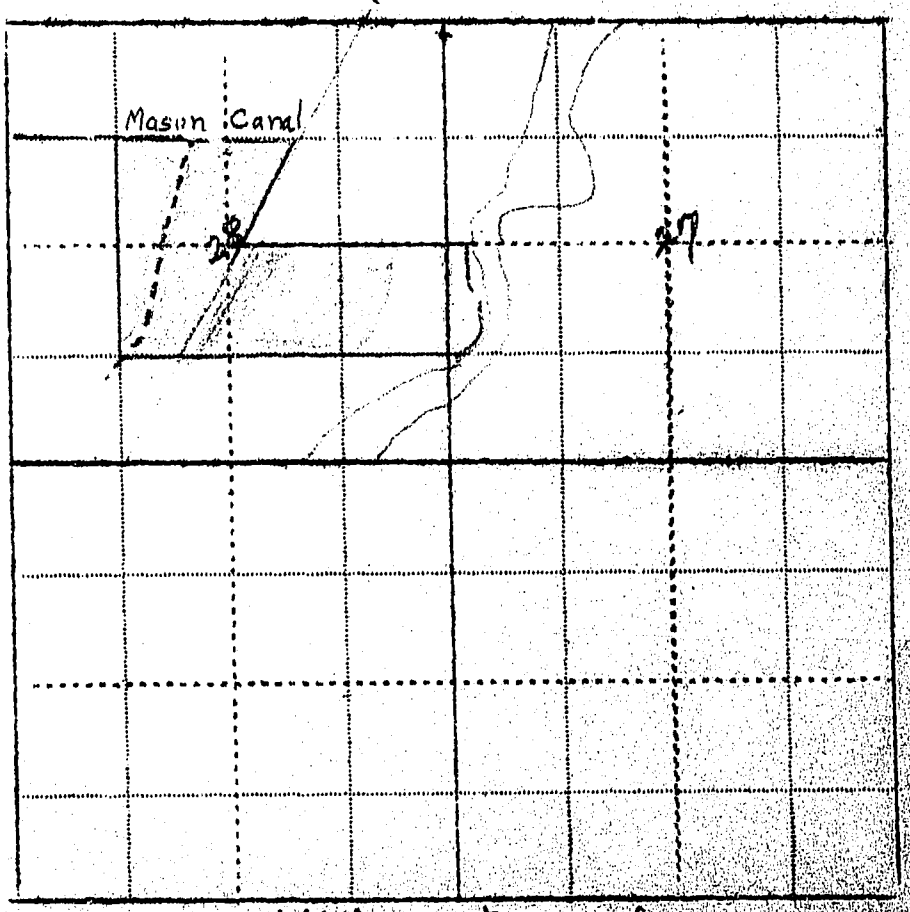
under Danford irrigation district



WITNESS: G J Orantz in Sept,

Information by J J Krug

Place Billings Jan 29 1943

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STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey

Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 69 Record Misc
2. Name of Appropriator Lucius A. Nutting Address
3. Date Appropriated 12-20-90 Date Filed 12-19-90
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 250, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Camp Creek Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion

   Sec. Twp. Rge. Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation
7. Description of System dam + ditch
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use S² sec 10, 2S-24E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Alan Carbon Co. Yellowstone Book 1 Page 313 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator E. M. Coombe Address Carbon Co., Montana
3. Date Appropriated April 1, 1912 Date Filed June 1, 1912
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 3000, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Big Slough Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion A dam across an arm of said river known as Big Slough at a point about 300 ft. east of the intersection of said slough with west line of
   Sec. 2 Twp. 3 So. Rge. 23 E. Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation and domestic
7. Description of System Dam and ditch about 4 ft. wide on bottom, 4 ft. deep and to conduct water to said land by means of said ditch and pumping outfit.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, Sec. 2; W½, Sec. 1; Frac. Sections 11 & 12, 3 South 23 East. (Not Yellowstone Co.)
   Frac. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 3 South 24 East (Sec. 6 & 7 not Yellowstone)
   Frac. Sections 28, 29, 31, 32 2 South 24 East
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Transcribed from Water Right Record Book 3, page 204 Carbon Co. Records.
   Water appropriated March 25, 1912.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1 10 R.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Suzanna Krug Address

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Small ditch.

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated .61

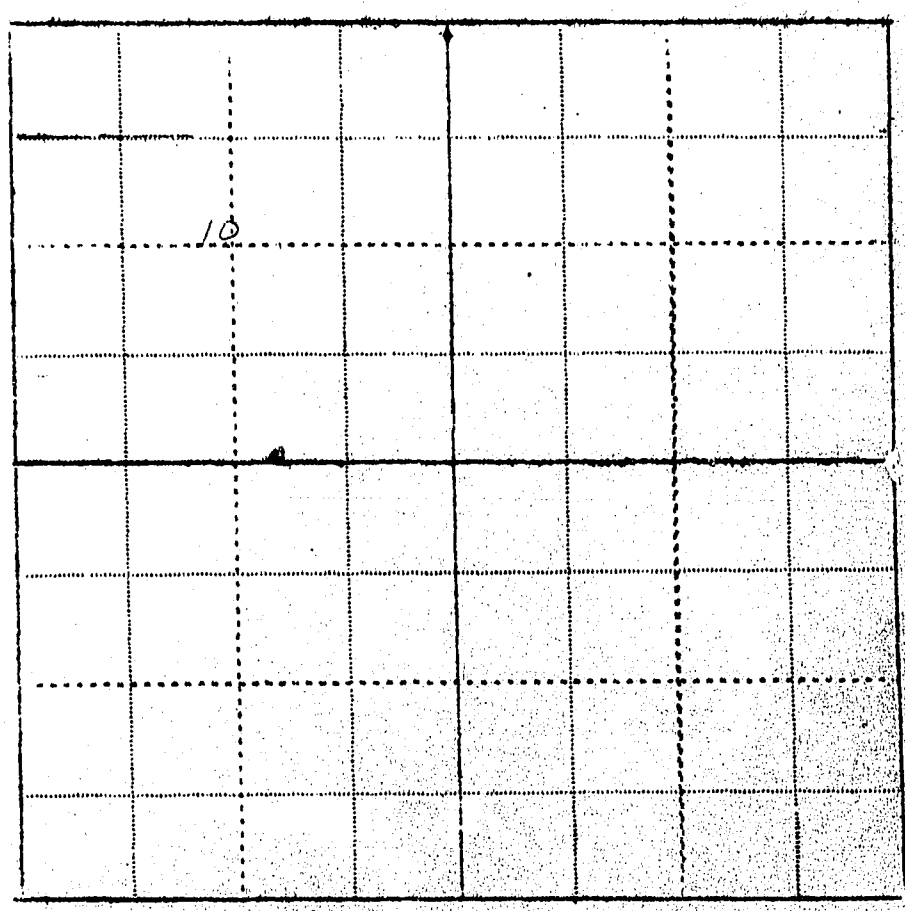
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac SESW¼, Sec 10, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Does not know about shares



WITNESS: GJO Information by Phone

Oct. 14, 1942 Place

FORM SM-1 136 9H

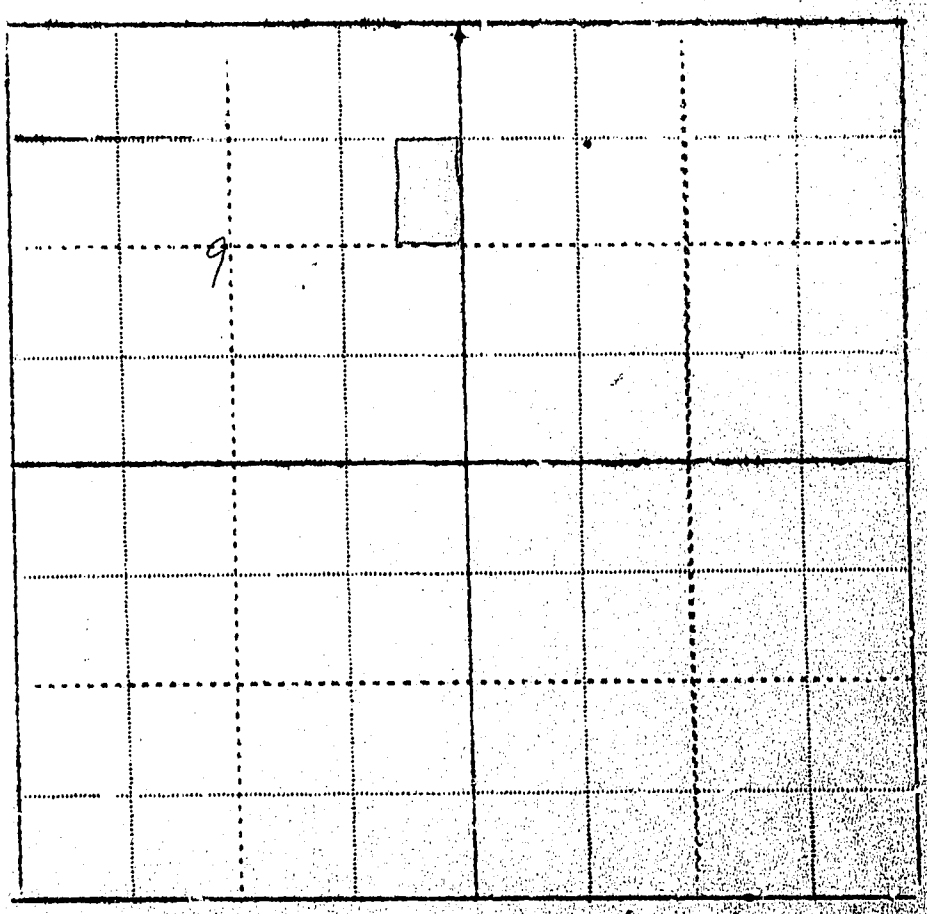
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & Photo

1. Water User Marie Kurrock Address Laurel
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Small ditch.
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address _____
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 20
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Frac SE NE 4, Sec 9, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Contact by car G.J.O. does not know about Shores



WITNESS: GJO.

Information by Marie Kurrock

Place Laurel, Mont.

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-1013

1. Water User C W Laird Address Laurel

2. Stream Big 4 Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big 4 Canal Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 118.0

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

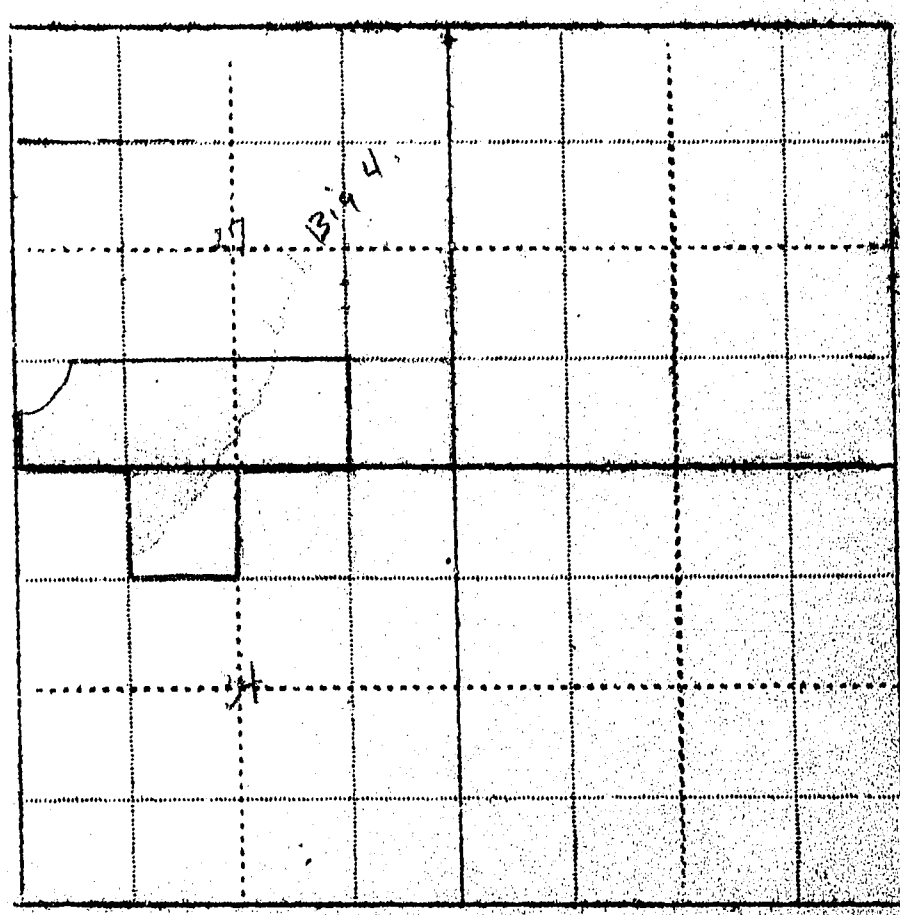
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Lot 9 - SE SW4, SW SE4, T 2 S, R 24 E
Sec. 27 - NE NW4, Sec 34

Remarks: _____

OK. C.W. Laird
450. shares Big 4 Ditch

Conrad Hart, Silesia
Tenant.



WITNESS: G. J. O.

Information by C.W. Laird

Place Office

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-1091

1. Water User ~~Elskeline Smidt~~ Address ~~Silesia~~ Laurel

2. Stream C. W. Laird Big 4 Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big 4 Canal Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 118

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 75 A.

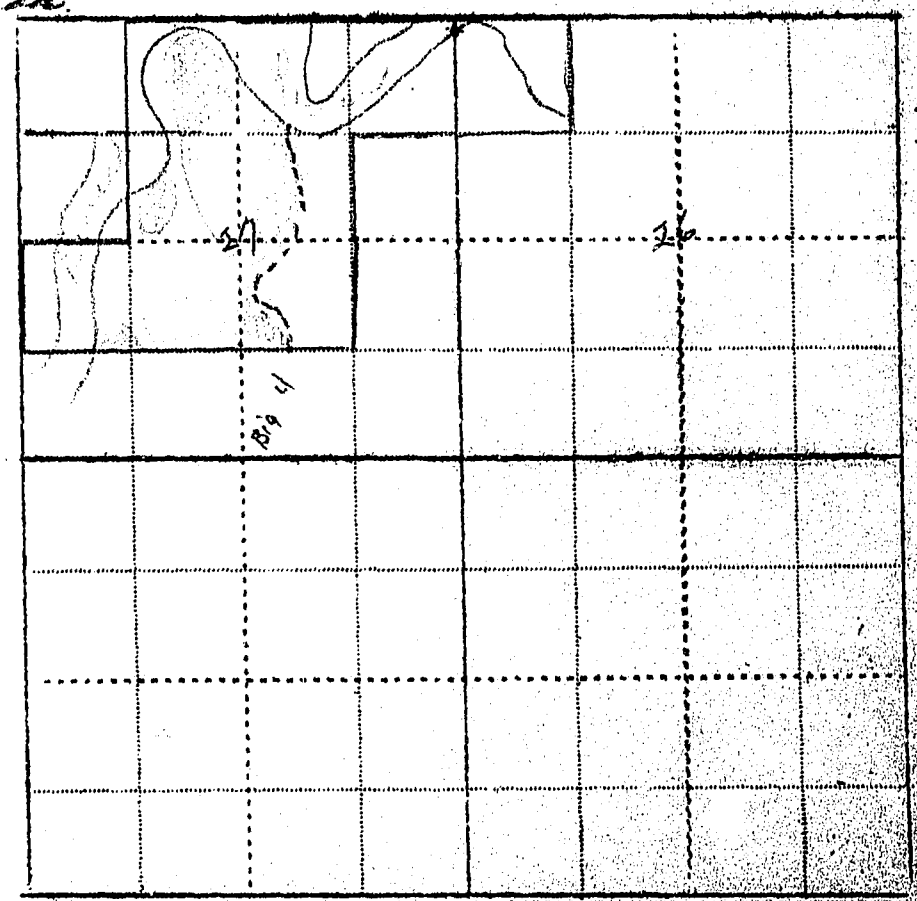
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description NW. NW4 Sec 26, NE NE4, W2 NE4, E2 NW4, N2 SW4, NW SE4 Sec. 27, T 25, R 24 E.

Remarks: Mr. Laird bought the land owned by Elskeline Smidt. Acreage O.C.

Henry Smidt, Silesia Tenant.



WITNESS: GJO.

Information by CW Laird

Place Office

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

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County Yellowstone Source of Information C. W. Laird - Laurel

1. Water User ~~Rhoda Fly~~ Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Clark Fork ditch Tributary to _____ Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Clark Fork ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 80

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 78 est.

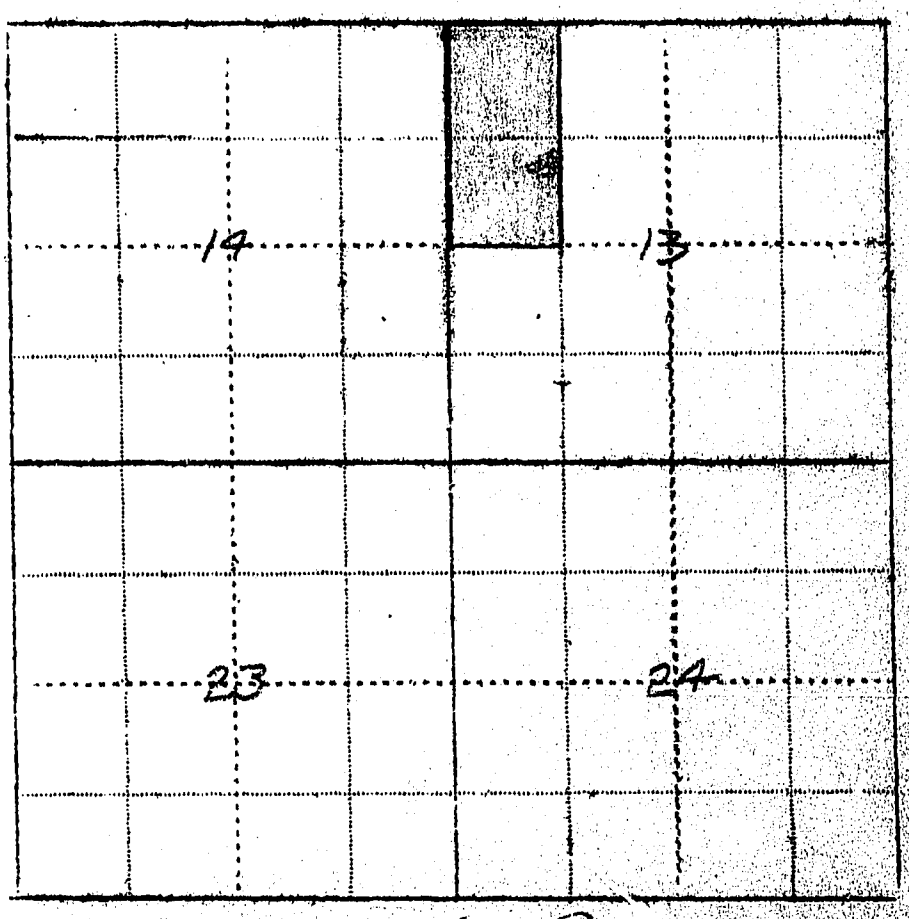
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description W½NW¼, Sec. 13, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: #321

Have 2 shares in Clark Fork Ditch



WITNESS: Letter

S. Crane

Information by C. W. Richardson

Place Billings Office

Nov. 30, 1942

Bill Fenton
At Richardson - Laurel

STATE OF MONTANA

STATE ENGINEER

Billings,
~~HELENA~~, MONTANA
November 23, 1942

C. W. Laird
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Laird:

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Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below.
From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate and how many acres are under each?
How many shares do you have in each ditch company?
Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land that is irrigated from each ditch?

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Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

13A

FORM SM-1 Present owner C. W. Laird - Laurel

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A.A.A. #959

1. Water User ~~Rhoda Fly~~ Address Laurel Mont.

2. Stream Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 80

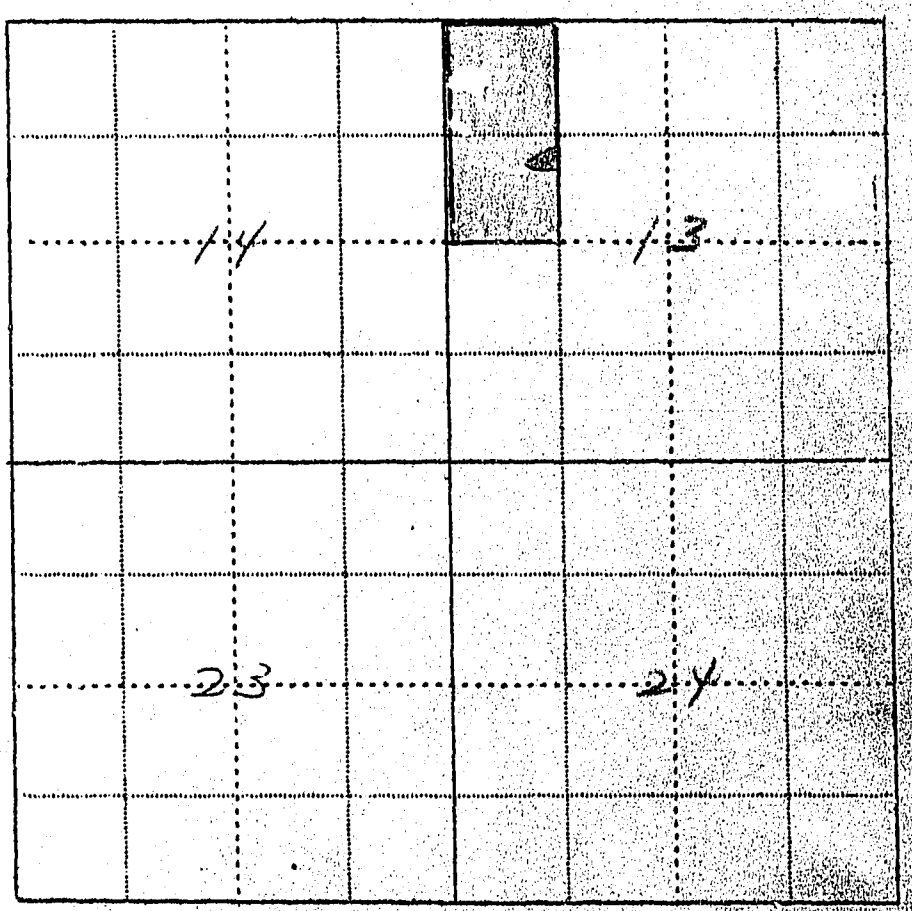
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~92.9~~ 78 est

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description W²NW¼ Sec 13, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:



WITNESS: Letter Information by

Place

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

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enc.

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Notice of Appropriation

321

1. County Yellowstone Book D Page 200 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Jacob Kamp (Camp) Address Laurel, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated July 4, 1903 Date Filed July 7, 1903
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ____, Cubic Feet per second 2½
4. Name of Stream Waste from Clarks Fork ditch Tributary ____ Basin ____
5. Point of Diversion The NW corner of sec 13, 2S, 24E south along sec. line for 3/8 of a mile
   Sec. ____ Twp. ____ Rge. ____ Bank of Stream ____
6. Purpose All useful & beneficial, especially irrigation.
7. Description of System Main ditch to be 3/8 mile long, 3 ft wide on bottom at least 1 ft. deep from ditch suitable lateral ditches to distribute water over & upon said land.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use W²NW⁴ sec. 13, 2S, 24E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Which flow off N² sec. 14, 2S, 24E onto W²NW⁴ sec. 13, 2S, 24E. Waters are taken out of Clarks Fork Ditch Co. main Irrigation Ditch & are used by other parties before flowing to point where claimed in this notice.

Decree

10. Case No. ____ Date ____ Amt. Decreed: M. I. ____ C. F. S. ____
11. To Whom Decreed ____ Address ____

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Marian Lockwood La Prath Address Rte 1- Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

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 4 acres in form

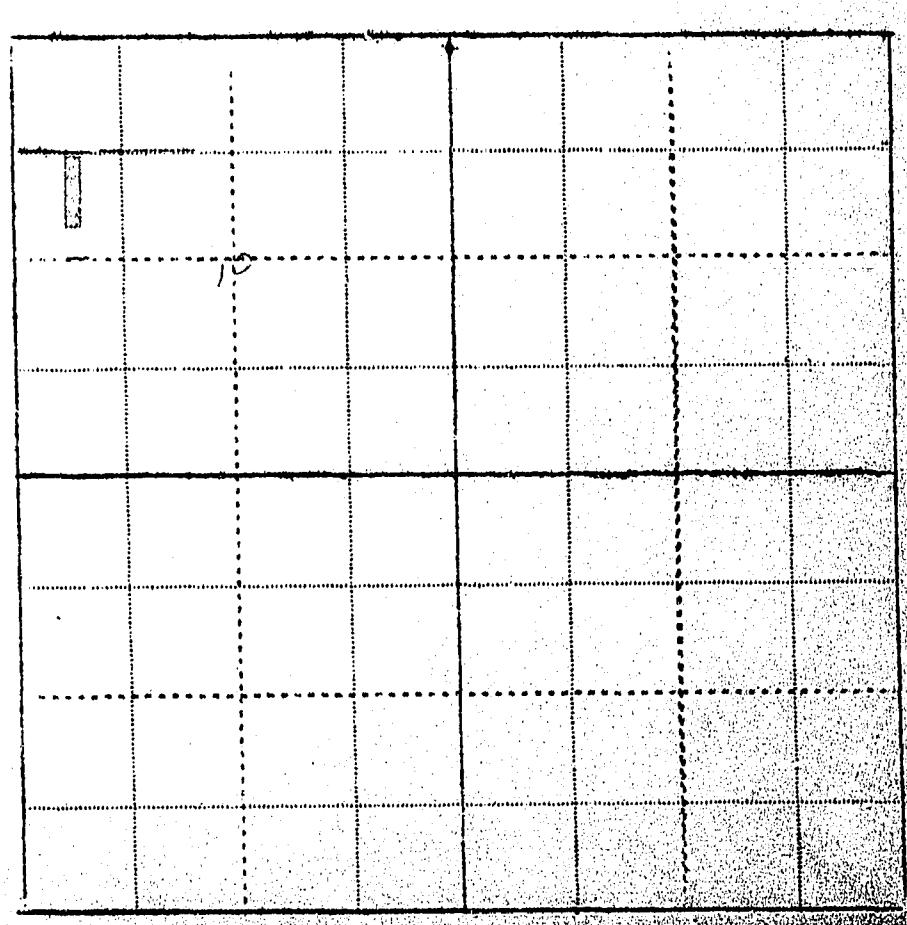
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Frac S½ NW¼ Sec 10, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____

See other Sheet



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place

FORM SM-1

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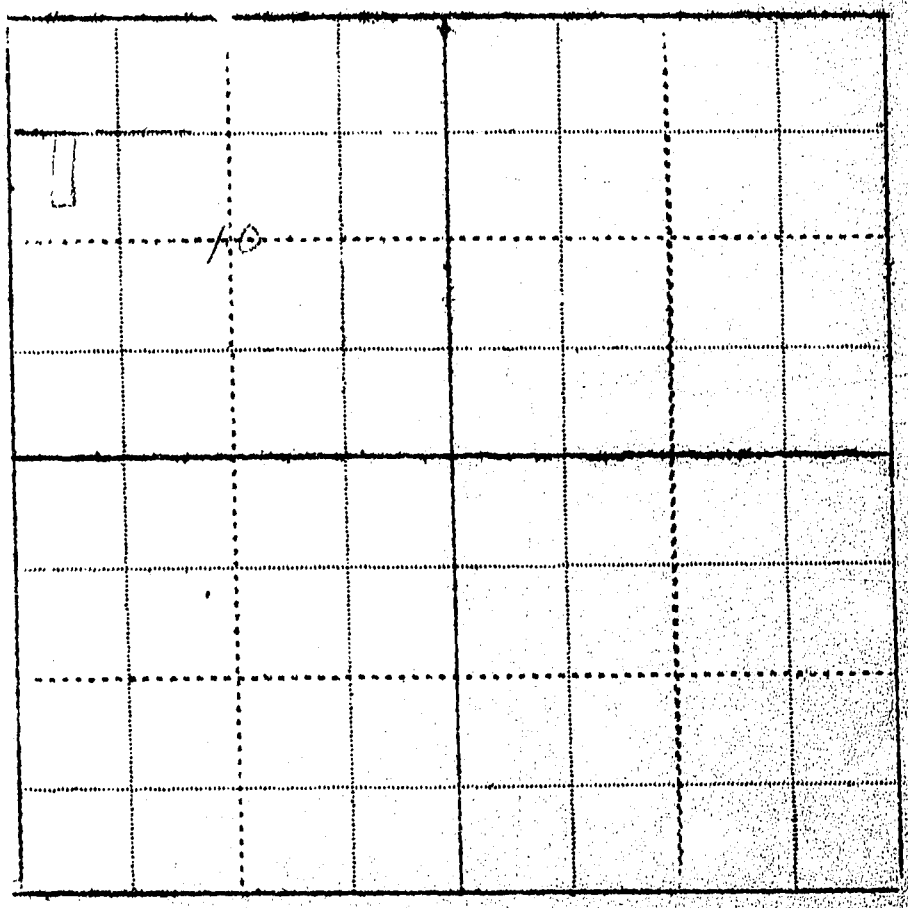
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Marian Lockwood La Prath Address Rte 1 Laurel
2. Stream Big ditch Tributary to Basin
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates & Lat.
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 4 acres
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Frac S2 NW4 Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: 1 Share Big

We do irrigate the four acres each year and the water is obtained from the Big Ditch owned by the Big Ditch Company



WITNESS: Mrs N. E. Vaught Information by Mrs Marion Lockwood La Prath

Place Laurel Mont.

xxxxxxx
Billings,
Oct. 15, 1942

Marian Lockwood LaPrath
Rte. 1 Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss LaPrath:

We are making a survey of all the irrigated lands in the Yellowstone drainge basin. The purpose of this survey is to find the total irrigable acres in this basin. The findings are to be presented to The Yellowstone River Compact Commission, which has been created for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between Montana Wyoming, and North Dakota. They also willbe used in the State Engineers office.

We are therefore asking you to help us. Our records show that you own 4 acres in the S½NW¼ of section 10, Township 28 Range24 E. and that it is all irrigated. We would like to know if our record is correct and from what ditch you get your water for irrigation.

Please write under remarks on the inclosed form if our re ord is correct, if not correct give us the correct information.

Inclosed you will find a self addressed envelope which does not require any postage.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravets
Ass't Engineer

FORM SM-1 170 10 H.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User City of Laurel Address

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Yellow. R Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Small ditch & Headgate

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch, Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 8 Have always irr. 8 a.

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

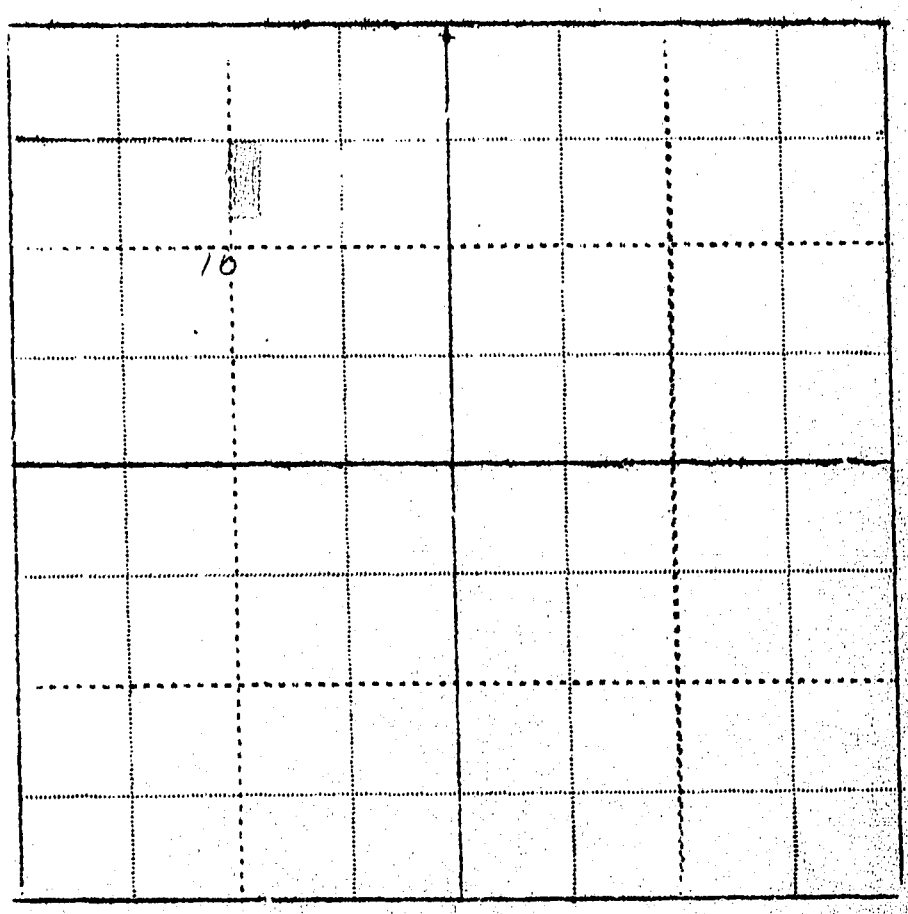
11. Condition of System

12. Land Description Frac. S. N. Sec 10, T 25, R 24 E

Remarks: 1 share

Part of Public Park of Laurel

Inf. verified by phone 7/14/42



WITNESS: Mrs. Booker Information by Phone

Oct, 14, 1942 Place Billings, Mont.

FORM SM-1a

STATE OF MONTANA WATER RESOURCES SURVEY

County Yellowstone Date March 22, 1943

Name of Water User See below. Address

1. Do you own this land? Yes ___ No ___ If not give the owner's name below:
   Owner's name Laurel Security Co. % D. H. McCauley Address Laurel, Army & Navy General Hospital Hot Springs National Park Ark.
2. Source of Water Yellowstone River Water delivered by Davis Ditch
3. Give point of Diversion ___ ¼ ___ ¼ ___ Section ___ Township ___ Range ___
4. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity X Pumping ___ Other ___
5. Who first used water on this land? ✓ Address ___
6. In what year was this land first irrigated? ✓ Approximate Acres ___
7. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? ✓ Date ✓
8. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ~~[illegible]~~ 31
9. If this land is not irrigated now give date of last use ✓
10. State the total number of acres that could be irrigated 31 acres.
11. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good
12. Land Description: NW¼NE¼, Sec. 22, Twp. 2 S Range 24 E.

Remarks:

This land now subdivided as follows —

(4) 14 A. J. D. Robinson 10 A. irrig. 35 sh
(3) 6 A. D. H. McCauley 4 A. irrig.
(1) 10 A. Maggie Rybin 7 A. irrig. 25 sh
(2) 10 Carl Rolbritz 10 A. irrig.
% J. J. Russell 25 sh
Box 82 Laurel
all irrigated from the Davis ditch Co.

~~[illegible]~~ # 336

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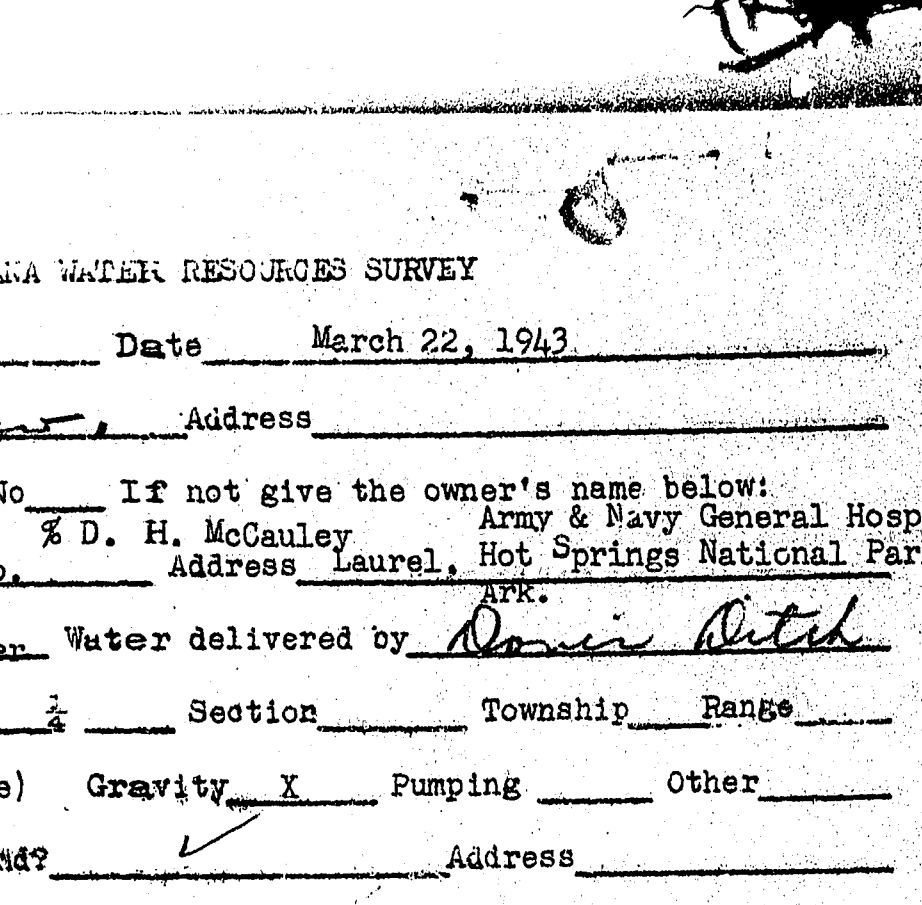
Information from ditch Co, Ownership + photo, A.A.A.



Information by [signature] Place Billings Date March 29, 1943

STATE OF MONTANA

STATE ENGINEER

HELENA, MONTANA
Billings
March 22, 1943

Dr. D. H. McCauley, Lt. Colonel (Reserve)
Army and Navy General Hospital
Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas

Dear Dr. McCauley:

We appreciate the interest you have shown by writing us when you are so very busy at the Hot Springs Hospital. The land in the NW¼ of the NE¼ of Section 22, Township 2 South, Range 24 East according to our files has not been reported on. Evidently through an office error this portion of your holdings was omitted in the letter we sent you in Laurel. We are sorry to have made this discrepancy and caused you this additional trouble.

We would like to know if the 40 acres described on the enclosed form was irrigated in 1942 and the total acreage irrigated, the amount of seeped land, and from what ditch this land is irrigated and the number of shares you have in it.

We hope that through the findings of this survey facts can be presented to the proper sources to alleviate the irrigation farmer of the many problems that are confronting him in this area.

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

3/24/43
Hot Springs Park
army & Navy Hospital

Dear Sir,

We do not owned this 40 acres our land is located in sec 8 and 9 adjoining north city limits of Laurel, we own 35 shares in Big Ditch and 5 in High Ditch, regarding leased land I help collect donations to and for

(over)

the U.S. Survey of this area. Several years I was under the impression these ~~maps~~ maps were available and most accurate.

Sorry I can give you the information on Sec 22

Yours truly
B H McCauley
Lt Col Res.

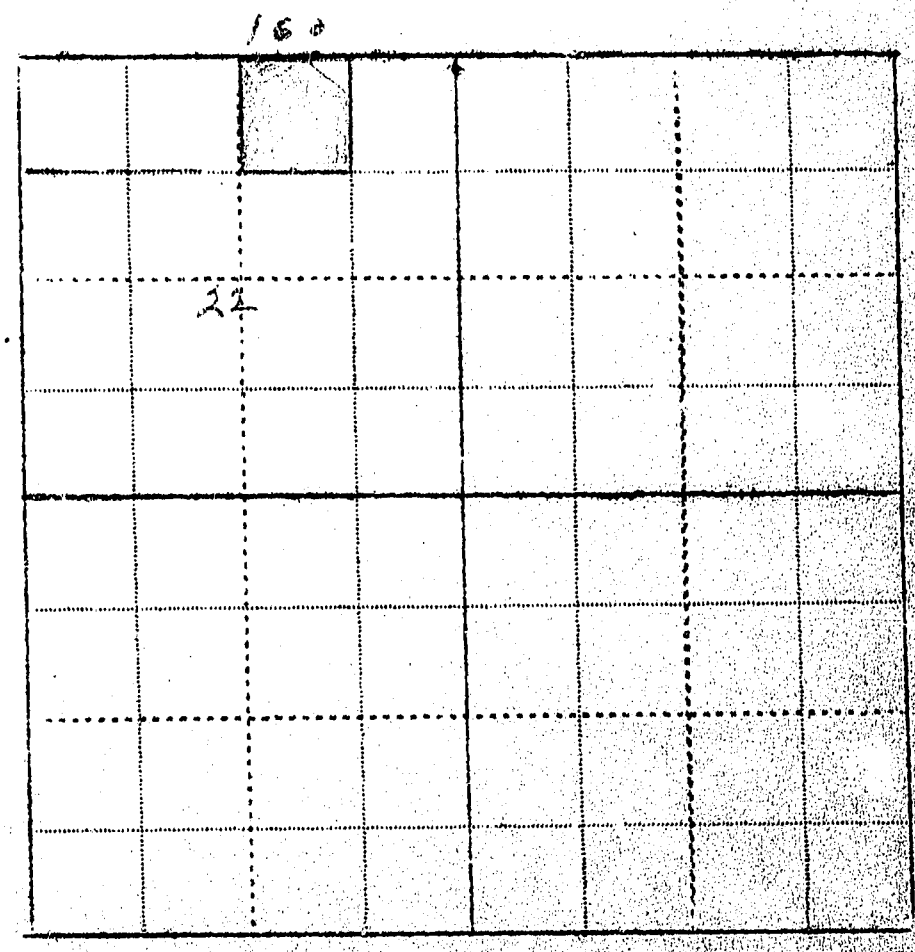
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Gallatin Source of Information Ownership & Photo

1. Water User Laurel Security Co. % D.A. Mc Cauley Address Laurel, 502 3rd Ave.
2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System _____
5. Type of Irrigation _____
6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____
7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 36 est.
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System _____
12. Land Description NW NE, Sec 22, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: Letter

Information by _____

Place _____

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Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Laurel Security Co.
% D. H. McCauley
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. McCauley:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land which is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: From what ditch do you get your water and how many shares do you have in this ditch?
If the water is diverted by means of a private ditch or a pumping plant, we would like to have you answer the questions checked in red on the enclosed form.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

xxxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Laurel Security Co.
% D. H. McCauley
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. McCauley:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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Gerald J. Gravets
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh

Please Do Not Fill in Any Items on This Page

Notice of Appropriation #336

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 62 Record Misc
2. Name of Appropriator Charles D Camp Address Laurel, Mont
3. Date Appropriated May 14 - 1890 Date Filed May 14, 1890

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 400, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Bald Hill Creek + its tributaries Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion

   In

   Sec. 36 Twp 1 So Rge. 23 E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigating, watering stock, domestic + other
7. Description of System dam + ditch - 48 in by 36 in
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use

   N 2 SW 4 Sec. 8, 2 So 24 E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Ditches are a continuation of Bald Hill creek + runs SE to dam in SE 4, Sec 6, 2 S 24 E then SE to place of use

   Appropriation made Oct 15, 1889

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

xxxxxxxxx
Billings
March 15, 1943

Laurel Security Co., % D. H. McCauley
502 3rd Ave.
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. McCauley:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South, Range 24 East. On January 4, 1943 we sent you another letter asking you to submit the information 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 the State, be investigated. The State Engineer shall, either before or after the bringing of such action (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 direction 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.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh

Billings
March 22, 1942

Mr. D. H. McCauley, Lt. Colonel (Reserve)
Army and Navy General Hospital
Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas

Dear Dr. McCauley:

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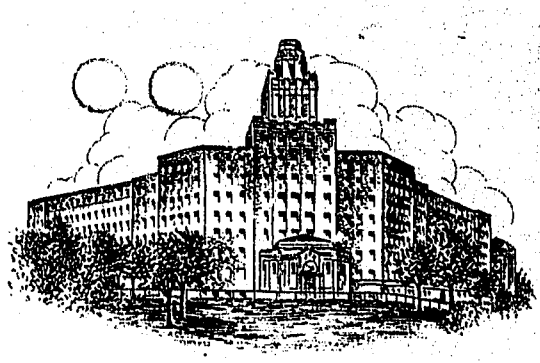

ARMY AND NAVY GENERAL HOSPITAL
HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK,
ARKANSAS

3/18/43

Mr J.J. Overton
asst State Engineer
Beaumont.

Reference your letter 3/15/43
which was forwarded to me from
My Lamed Office, The Lamed Security
company which owns the land Sec 8 and 9 in
Twn 2 South R 24 E yellowstone County
sent you a report as requested
in your letter 11/24/42, evidently
you did not receive it, if you will
advise just what you want I
will be glad to forward same
if available.

Regarding your second paragraph
I agree most heartily but
really I dont believe we have
much to brag about do

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Geo Lies Address Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates & Lat.

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 1

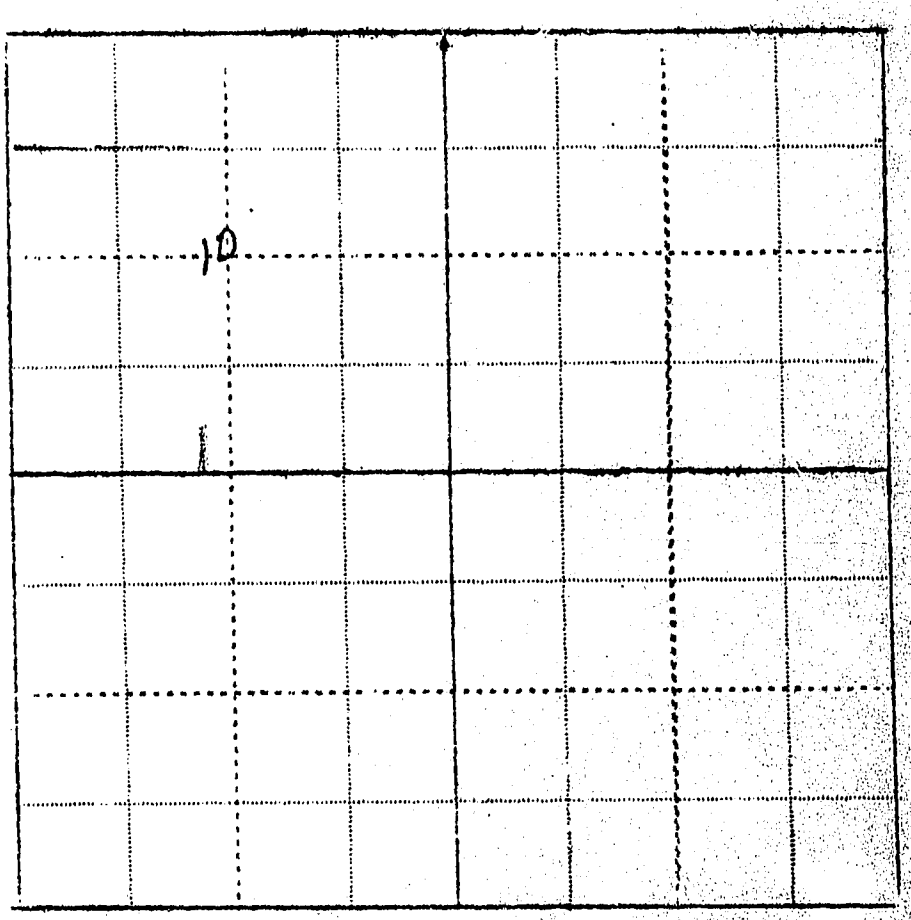
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Trac SE SW¼, Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Does not know about Shares



WITNESS: [illegible] Information by Phone

Oct 14, 1942 Place Billings

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Photo & Conversation

1. Water User Hyme Lipsker Address Billings, Mont

2. Stream Cove ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity flooding

6. Original Appropriator Cove ditch. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

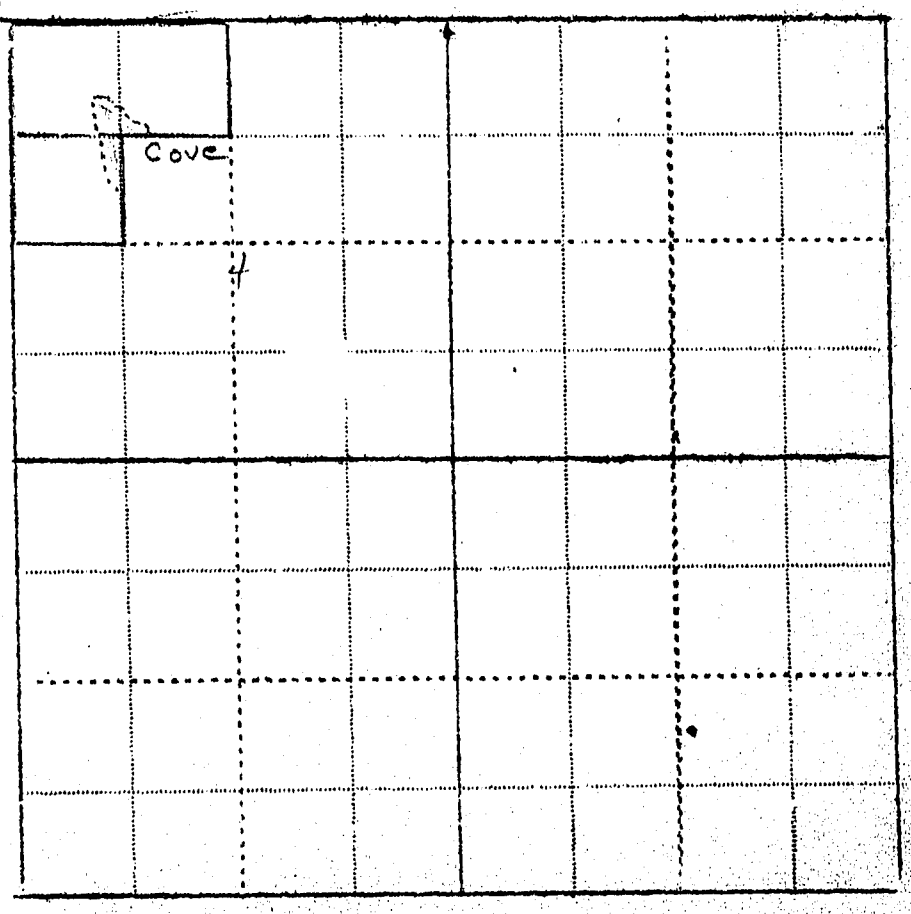
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~5~~ 3.0

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description N½ NW¼, SW NW¼ Sec 4, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: 3 shares under Cove



WITNESS: R Hatvedt Information by Mr Hyme Lipsker

11/24/42 Place Billings Office

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information _____

1. Water User Hyme Lipsker Address Billings

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

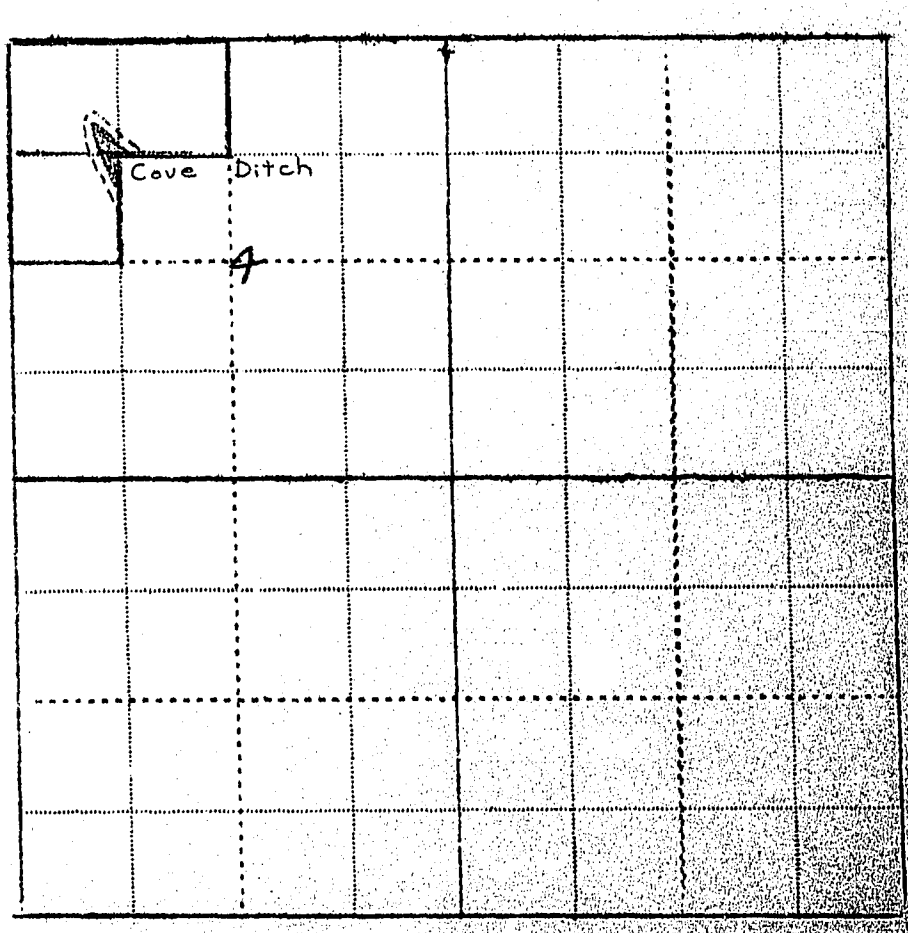
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 5

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description $N\frac{1}{2}NW\frac{1}{4}$, $SW\frac{1}{4}NW\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 4, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Cony and Dolly Lofing Address Box 811, Laurel

2. Stream Stebbins Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Co Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 10

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

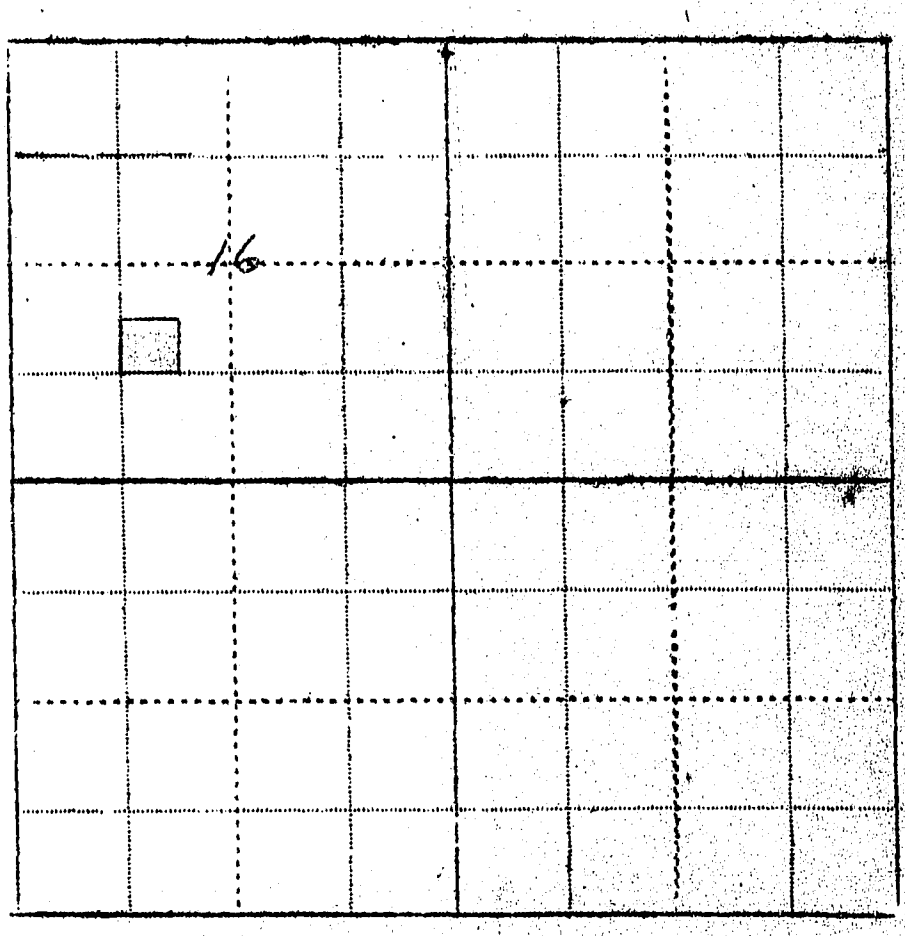
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description SW¼NE¼SW¼ Sec. 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

We irrigate out of the Italian ditch, we have 6 shares and irrigate 10 acres. there is no seepage or waste land.

Cony + Dolly Lofing



WITNESS: Letter

Information by

Place

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information Ownership & photo

1. Water User Corny & Dolly Lofing Address Box 811 - Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

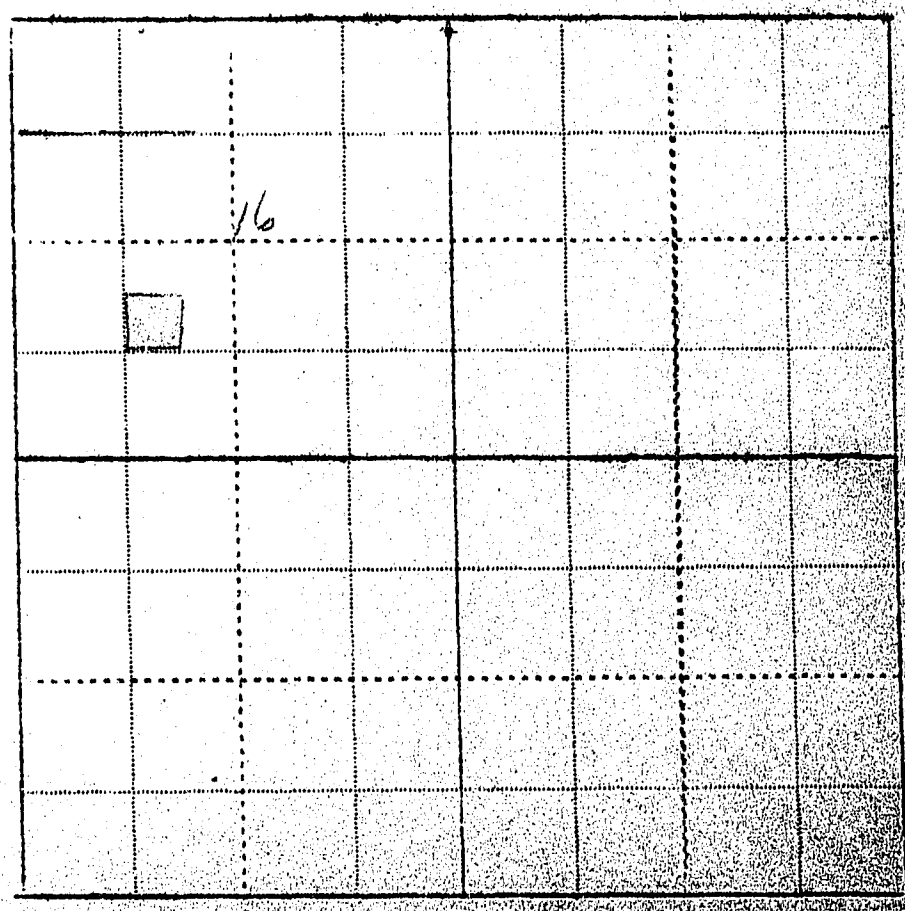
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 10

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Sw NE Sw4, Sec 16, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. Cory Lofing
Box 811
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Lofing:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the information necessary to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your ferrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below. From what ditch do you irrigate and how many acres are under irrigation? How many shares do you have in this ditch company?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravets
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information C J McClellan

1. Water User ~~Beth C. Hyle Judson~~ Alfred E. Lyle + Co Address % C. J. McClellan, Agt. Billings

2. Stream [illegible] Tributary to _____ Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 76.9

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description NW¼ Sec. 19, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: 60 A. Deeped land.

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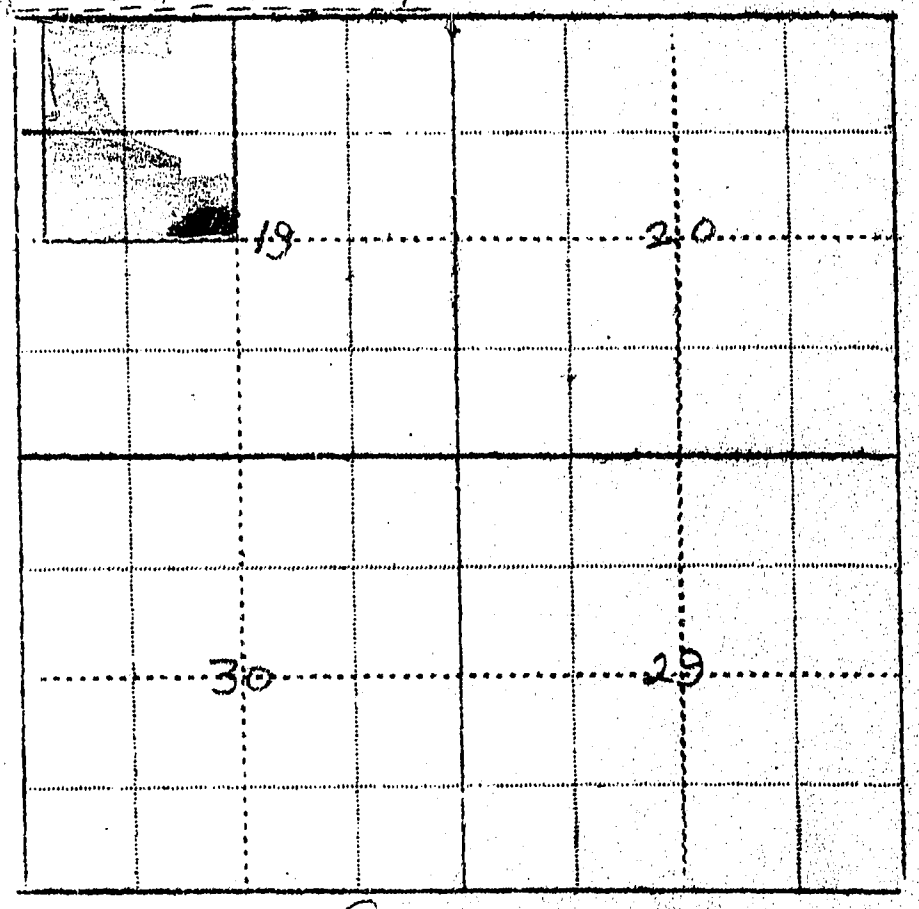
~~[illegible] mill ditch~~ ~~old mill ditch~~

all from Italian Ditch Co.
40 Shares



WITNESS: Eula Satterfield Information by C J McClellan

Place Billings Mont

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Beth C. Lyle Judson
% C. J. McClellan
Electric Building
Billings, Montana

Dear Mrs. Judson:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land that is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below.
From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate and how many acres are under each?
How many shares do you have in each ditch company?
Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land that is irrigated from each ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated land will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A.C.O. # 3053

1. Water User Beth C. Lyle Judson Address % C.J. McClellan, Agt. Billings

2. Stream ..... Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System .....

5. Type of Irrigation .....

6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

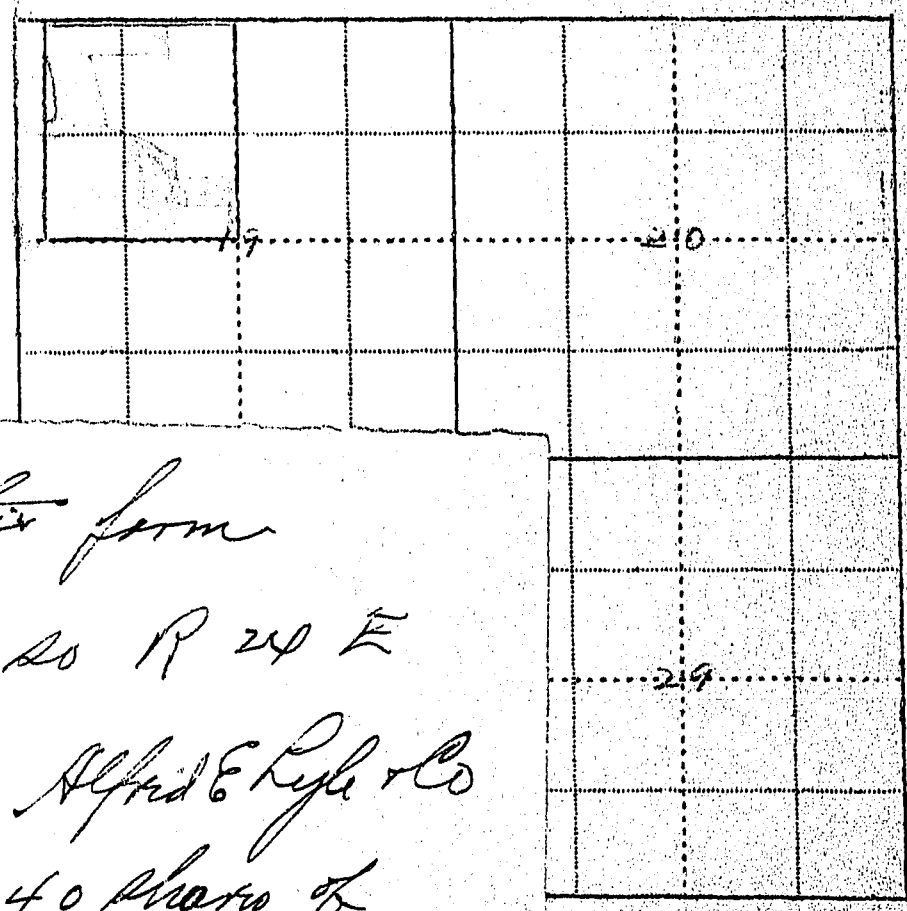
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 76.9

10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....

11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description NW¼ Sec 19, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:



The title to this farm N. W. ¼ Sec 19 Twp 2 So R 24 E is in the name of Alfred E Lyle & Co a Corporation and the 40 shares of Italian Ditch stock is in the same name. Mrs. B. C. Judson is Secy of this Co and she pays the water rent. CJ McC

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Notice of Appropriation

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1. County Yellowstone Book D Page 200 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Jacob Kamps (Camps) Address Laurel, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated July 4, 1903 Date Filed July 7, 1903
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ____, Cubic Feet per second 2½
4. Name of Stream Waste from Clarks Fork Ditch Tributary ____ Basin ____
5. Point of Diversion The NW corner of sec. 13, 2S, 24E south along sec. line for 3/8 mile
   Sec. ____ Twp. ____ Rge. ____ Bank of Stream ____
6. Purpose All useful & beneficial, especially irrigation
7. Description of System Main ditch to be 3/8 mile long, 3 ft wide on bottom, at least 1 ft deep from ditch suitable lateral ditches to distribute waters over & upon said land.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use W½NW¼ sec. 13, 2S, 24E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Which flow off N½ sec. 14, 2S, 24E, onto W½NW¼ sec. 13, 2S, 24E. Water taken out of Clarks Fork Ditch Co main irrigation ditch & are used by other parties before flowing to point where claimed in this notice.

Decree

10. Case No. ____ Date ____ Am. Decreed: M. I. ____ C. F. S. ____
11. To Whom Decreed ____ Address ____
12. Name of Ditch ____ Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) ____
13. Date of Priority ____ Purpose ____
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed ____

Township 2 South, Ra[illegible] 24 East

M thru Z

Yellowstone
T 2 S R 24 E

Water User

Mackey, Frank P
~~Frank, [illegible] H. & Henry H.~~
Machette, C. J.
Martian, John
McCauley, D. H.
McCauley, D. H.
Meyers, John
Milligan, Harlan
Mogan, Mary R.
Moore, J. B.
Moore, N. E.
Morris, C. L.
Munigan, Esther
Nicholas, Thomas H.
Nicholas, N. E.
Norton, A. H.
Nutt, Jennie N.
Nutting Brothers
Nutting, L. A.
Ogura, Lelah
O'Neill, Frank
Orudorff, Walter
Otto, Gladys
Packard, Russell B.
Peterson, Regina
Pewitt, O. V.
Platz, Frank
Purcell, Frank
Price, B. L.
Revoir, Susan
Richardson, A. W.
Richardson, Mrs. Eva
Robinson, J. D.
Rollwitz, Carl
Ronan, Paul
Russel, Charles
Russell, J. J.
Rybin, Maggie
Saunders, L. T.
Schaff, H. W.

Water User

Schaff, Mike
Schaner, F. W.
Schenkelberger, Marie
Schulze, Mrs. H. P.
Seright, Leland
Shay, L. R.
Sheets, Glenn
Sheets, Nellie
Shoop, Elsie
Slater, J. H.
Smith, Anna F.
Smith, Harry E.
Sullivan, Lydia
Swindler, Charles
Swords, Geo.
Teeters, Walter W.
Thacker, S. W.
Thornton, Florence
Trace, Amos L.
Trees, Grace M.
Vanberg, Elizabeth
Vaughn, Emmett
Vaught, E. W.
Vaught, Nowell
Walker, Chas. A.
Warner, C. A.
Weipert, Mrs. John
Wilkerson, Wan
Wilkins, T. L.
Williams, Mrs. Alma
Gossie, Wiltz
Winters, Ruby W.
Wold, J. O.
Wold, O. S.
Wyn, Ray
Young, Owen A.

(Mis. appropriations)

STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE
Water Resources Survey
Ownership of Irrigated Lands

Township 2 S Range 24 E County Yellowstone

Parcel Number	Name of Owner	Stream		Owner's Address		Total Acres
				Appr	Filed	MI
794	Rutter, J. R	Spring	Creek	7-21-17	7-27-17	100

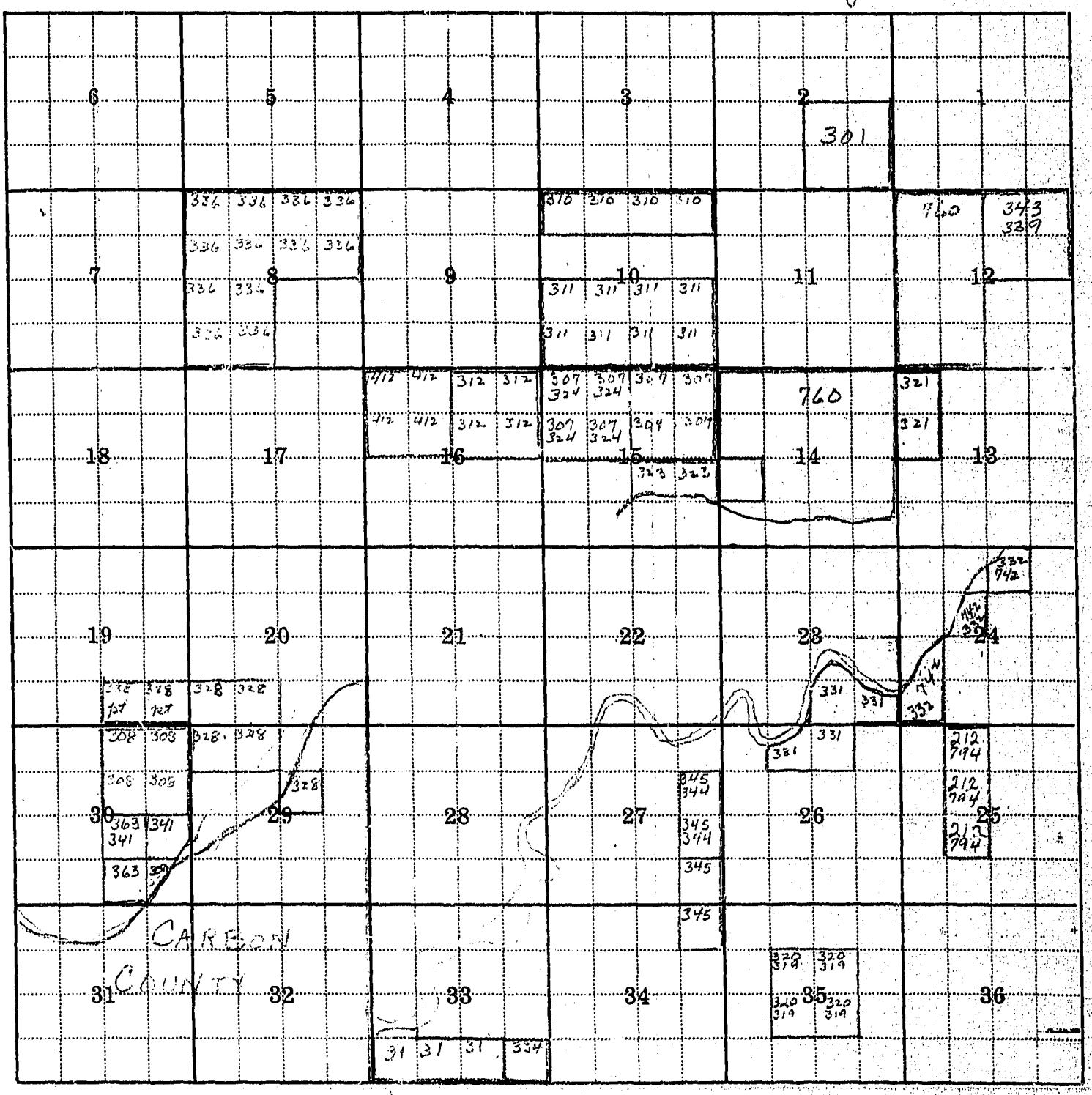
FORM D-1 - GAZETTE 1644-2M-1-47

STATE OF MONTANA

STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

WATER RESOURCES SURVEY

Township 2 S Range 24 E County Yellowstone



Township ..... Range .....

Township 2 S Range 24 E County Yellowstone

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Parcel Number	Name of Owner	Stream	Address Appr.	Filed	M.I.
from Y — 332 from St.W. — 742	Dix, James W.	Spring Creek	10-12-93	11-28-08	100
St W. 760	Clarks Fork Ditch Co	Yellowstone River	4-1-81	1-12-92	12000
336	Camp, Chas. D.	Bald Hill Creek	5-14-90	5-14-90	400
323	Camp, Nora A.	Camp Creek	1-29-06	2-2-06	80
312	Nix, Robert L.	Camp Creek	5-9-05	5-11-05	200
311	Nutting, Lucius A	Camp Creek	12-20-90	12-20-90	250
307	Reardon, Tim et al	Camp Creek	1-6-02	1-10-02	400
345	Allen, Chas. V.	Davis Creek	5-8-16	5-9-16	1200
344	Allen, Mabel	Davis Creek	11-12-14	11-16-14	1200
343	Butler, Albert	Laurel Creek	7-8-85	7-9-85	200
no desc. 185	Neville Frank G.	Rock Creek	11-25-08	11-25-08	200
212	Rutter, J. R.	Spring Creek	7-21-17	7-27-17	100
310	Nelson, Jacob E.	M. & M. Irr. Canal	3-8-83	3-12-83	—
301	Summer, Elam A.	M. & M. Irr. Canal	11-28-82	12-18-82	—
339	Butler, Albert	Coulee	10-8-94	10-8-94	100
363	Grossman, Edward	Ditch	8-26-01	8-31-01	80
328	Harlan, George	Drain	9-10-30	10-9-30	400
320	Larner, Thomas	Draw	1-14-11	2-24-11	100
319	Larner, Thomas	Draw	1-14-11	1-2-11	100
334	Cheney, Arthur	Clarks Fork River	10-21-11	10-23-11	200
31	Webster Wm.	" " "	10-23-11	10-23-11	200
331	Dix, J. W.	Clarks Fork River	7-19-07	7-26-07	2000
250	Clark, Elmer D.	Slough	1-2-91	1-2-91	2000
412	Deverill, L. K.	Slough	2-27-01	3-11-01	100
308	Newton, Jasper	Slough	1-13-91	1-13-91	100
324	Jackson, John F	Burla Spring	1-9-03	2-10-03	200
(10 ac. in sec. 25) 241	Olson, Edward W.	Spring	4-29-10	4-29-10	10
321	Camp, Jacob	waste - Clarks Fk. Ditch	7-4-03	7-7-03	100
341	Bennett, Aaron	waste - Mill Ditch	11-7-08	11-9-08	100
309	Nutting, Taylor & Harris	Well	9-20-32	9-21-32	400

FORM SM-1a

STATE OF MONTANA WATER RESOURCES SURVEY

County Yellowstone Date April 19, 1943

Name of Water User Alex H. & Henry H. Frank Address Route 1, Box 89 D., Laurel

1. Do you own this land? Yes ____ No X If not give the owner's name below:

   Owner's name Frank P. Mackey Address Box 1046, Billings

2. Source of Water Yellowstone River Water delivered by Canyon Creek Ditch

3. Give point of Diversion ____ ¼ ____ ¼ ____ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____

4. Water is obtained by: (Cneck one) Gravity X Pumping ____ Other ____

5. Who first used water on this land? Alex H. Frank Address R. 1. Laurel

6. In what year was this land first irrigated? 1937 Approximate Acres 24

7. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? 24 Date 1937

8. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 24.3

9. If this land is not irrigated now give date of last use ____

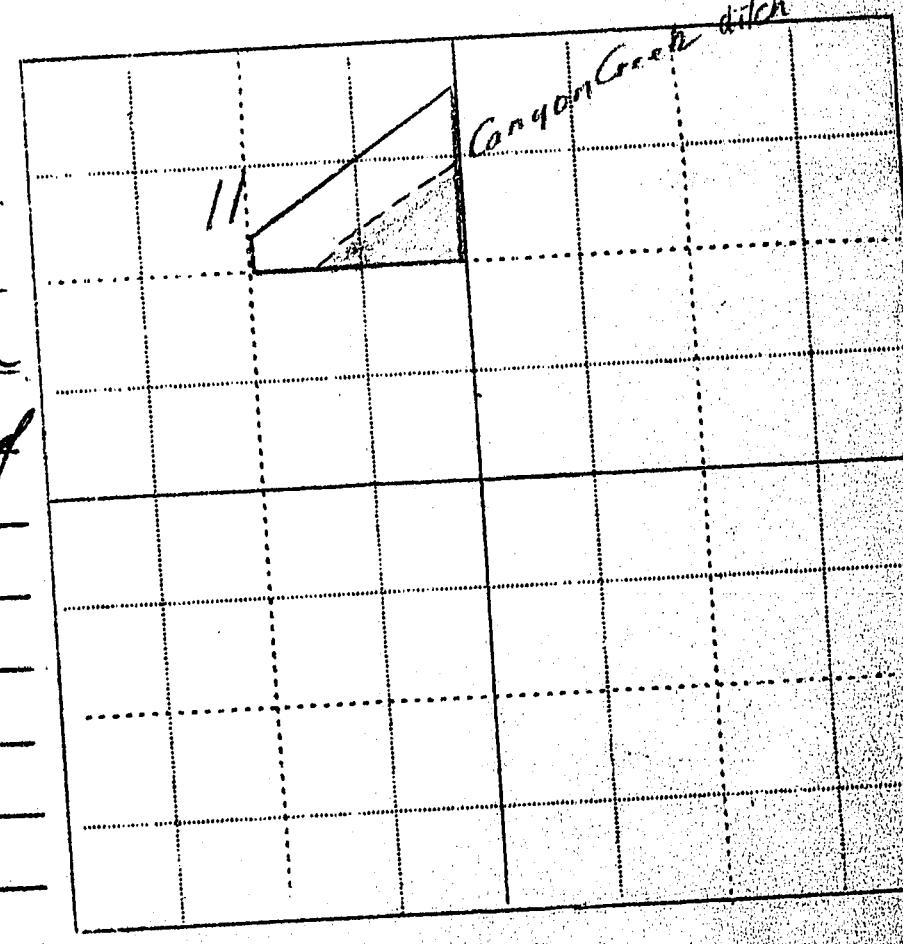
10. State the total number of acres that could be irrigated 24.3 acres.

11. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good.

12. Land Description: Frac. SE¼NE¼, Sec. 11, Twp. 2 S. Range 24 E.

Remarks: F. P. Mackey has 95 shares in the Canyon Creek Ditch. How many of these shares are used to irrigate this land?

All 95 shares when we irrigate this land



Information by Alex H. Frank Place farm Date May 4, 1943

FORM SM-1a

STATE OF MONTANA WATER RESOURCES SURVEY

County Yellowstone Date April 19, 1943

Name of Water User Alex H. & Henry Frank Address Route 1, Laurel

1. Do you own this land? Yes ____ No X If not give the owner's name below:

   Owner's name Frank P. Mackey Address Box 1046, Billings

2. Source of Water Yellowstone Rive: Water delivered by Canyon Creek Ditch

3. Give point of Diversion ____ ¼ ____ ¼ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____

4. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity X Pumping ____ Other ____

5. Who first used water on this land? Do not no Address ____

6. In what year was this land first irrigated? dont no Approximate Acres ____

7. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? 318.3 Date 1936

8. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 318.3

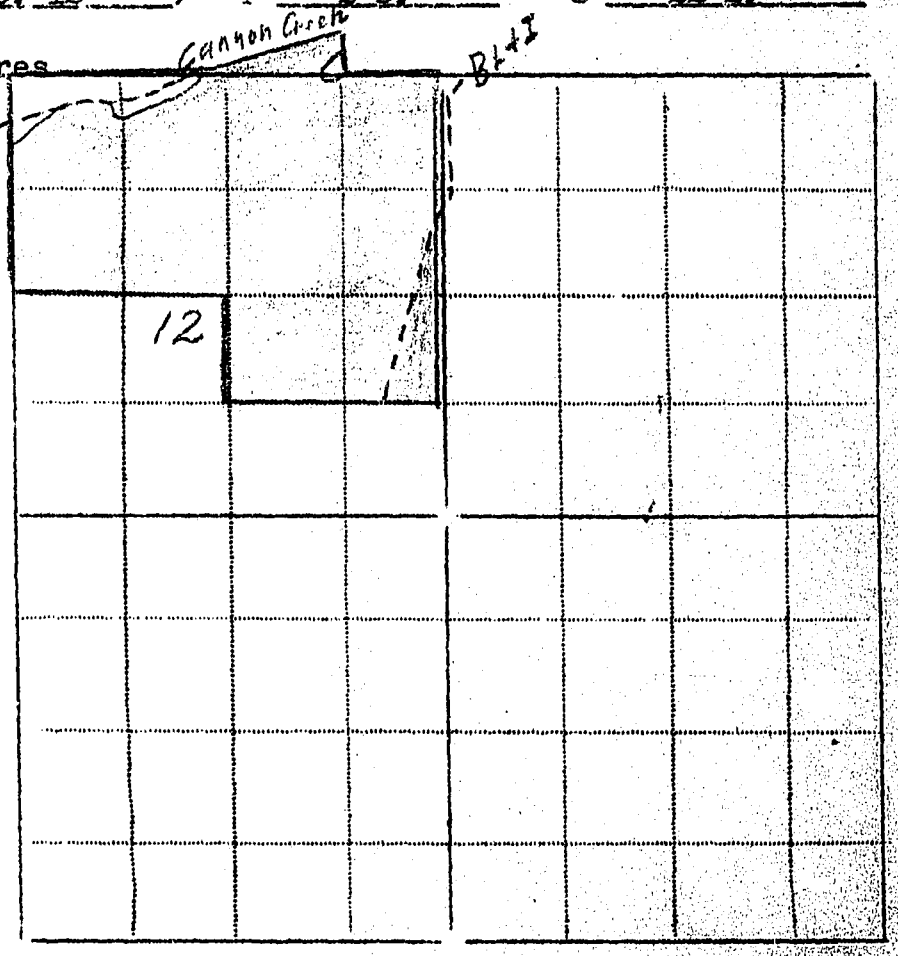
9. If this land is not irrigated now give date of last use ____

10. State the total number of acres that could be irrigated 318.3 acres.

11. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good.

12. Land Description: N½, NeSE¼, Sec. 12, Twp. 2 S. Range 24 E.

Remerks: F. P. Mackey has 95 shares in the Canyon Creek Ditch. How many of these shares are used to irrigate this land? all 95 shares when we irrigate this land.



Information by Alex H. Frank Place farm Date May 6, 1943

Mrs. Frank Mackey called at the office about their land in 2 S. 24 E & 2 S. 25 E.

Says we left off one ditch as they have *6 shares in Clarke Fork Ditch Co. same as written about in Canyon Creek Ditch Co & some in B. L. & I Ditch Co.

B L & I. only irrigates land in Sec 7 2 S 25.

Past irrig. in just about the right places. Feed lot was irrig. in Past. The spot in SE¼ Sec 12 was irrig but is now badly seeped.

* Ditch list says 2 shares in Clarke Fork

318.3
122.7
58.1
498.8
17
515.8

FORM SM-1

1 D.
11 A.
12 A.

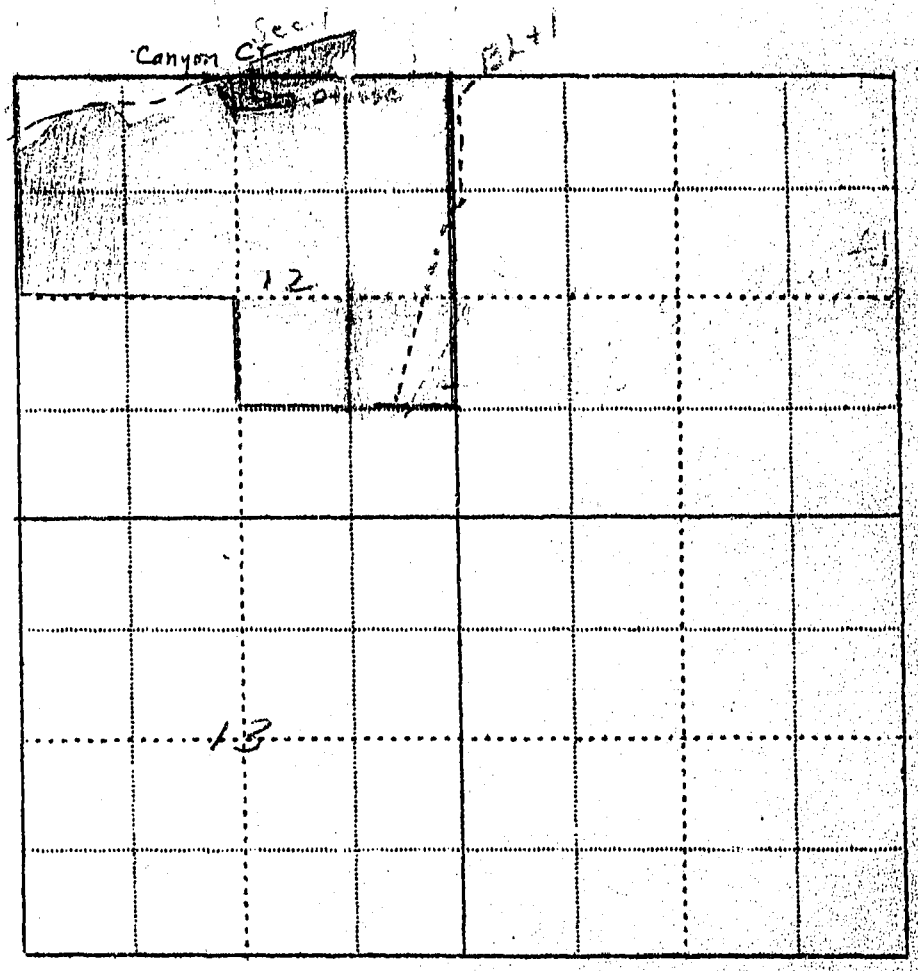
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information aaa 990 A

1. Water User Frank P. Mackey Address Box 1046 - Billings, Mont
2. Stream Canyon Cr. Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Ditch Companies Address + others attached
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 10 a
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 318.3
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System _____
12. Land Description N½ N½ SE¼ Sec 12, T 2 S., R 24 E.
Frac. Sec 1 - 2 S. 24 E

Remarks:

ownership Book shows all of Sec. 12 except NE¼ SE¼ Has 95 shares in the Canyon Creek ditch all irrigated from same



Alex H. and Henry Frank
Rt. 1 Laurel

WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A.A.A. 1100A

1. Water User Frank P. Mackey Address Box 1046 Billings Mont

2. Stream ..... Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System .....

5. Type of Irrigation .....

6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated 7

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 122.7

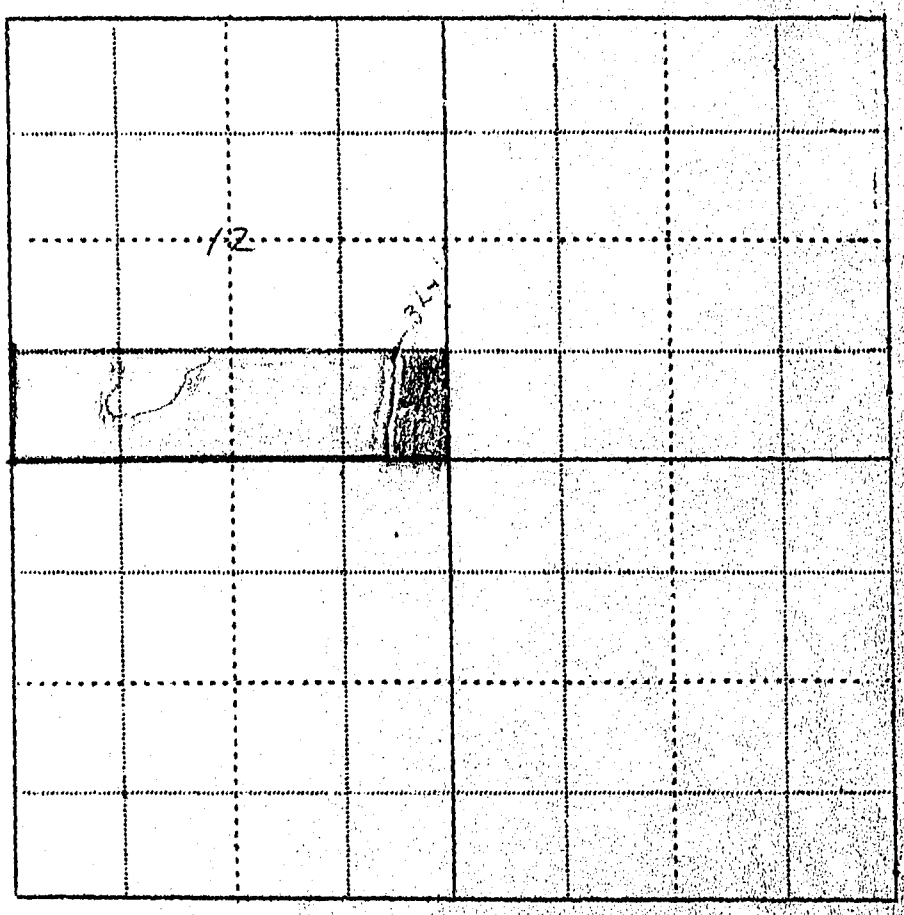
10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....

11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description S²S² Sec 12, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Irrigated from the Canyon Creek ditch & clarks fork ditch



Jake H & Phillip H. Frank Farmer

WITNESS: GJO

Information by A.W. Richardson

Place Office - Aug 4

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-1018

1. Water User Frank P Mackey Address Billings, Mont.

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 58.1

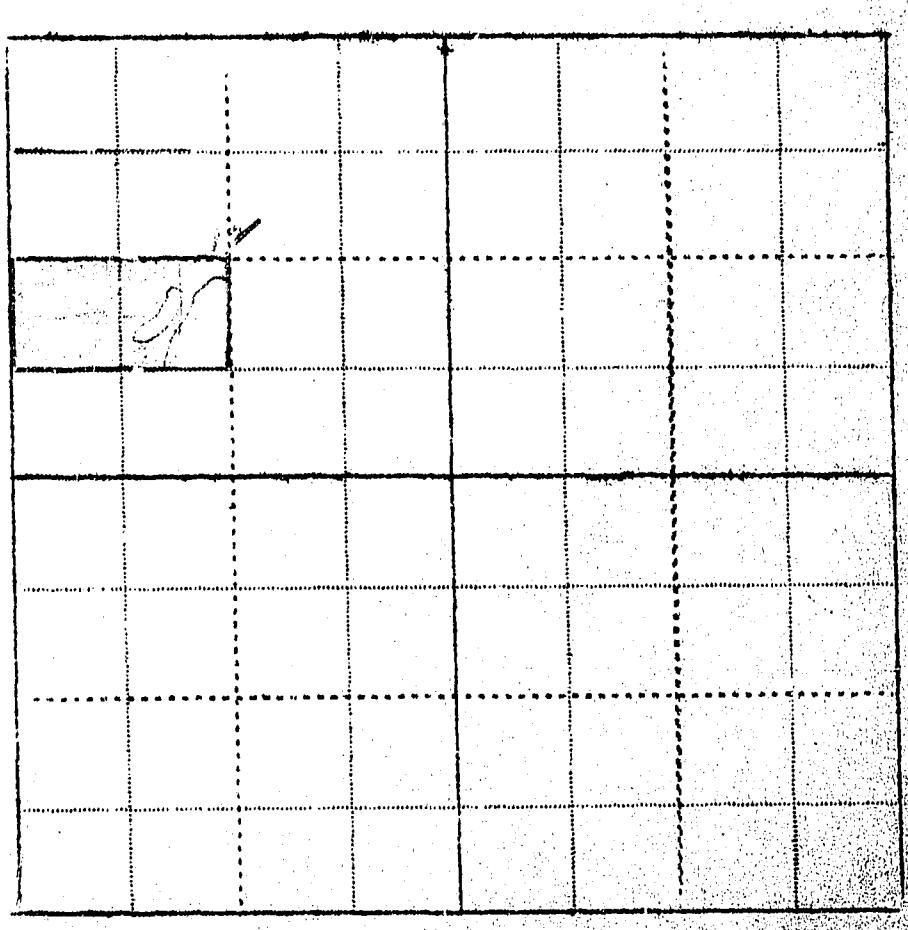
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description N2 SW4, Sec. 12, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

Irrigated from Clarks Fork Ditch



Frank H + Phillip H + ~~J.H. Frank, Laurel~~ Frank Tennent
Laurel Rt. 1 Box 59A

WITNESS: GJO

Information by A. W. Richardson

Place Aug. 4-1943

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114A

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AAA 5084

1. Water User Frank Mackey Address Box 1046 - Billings

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 24.3

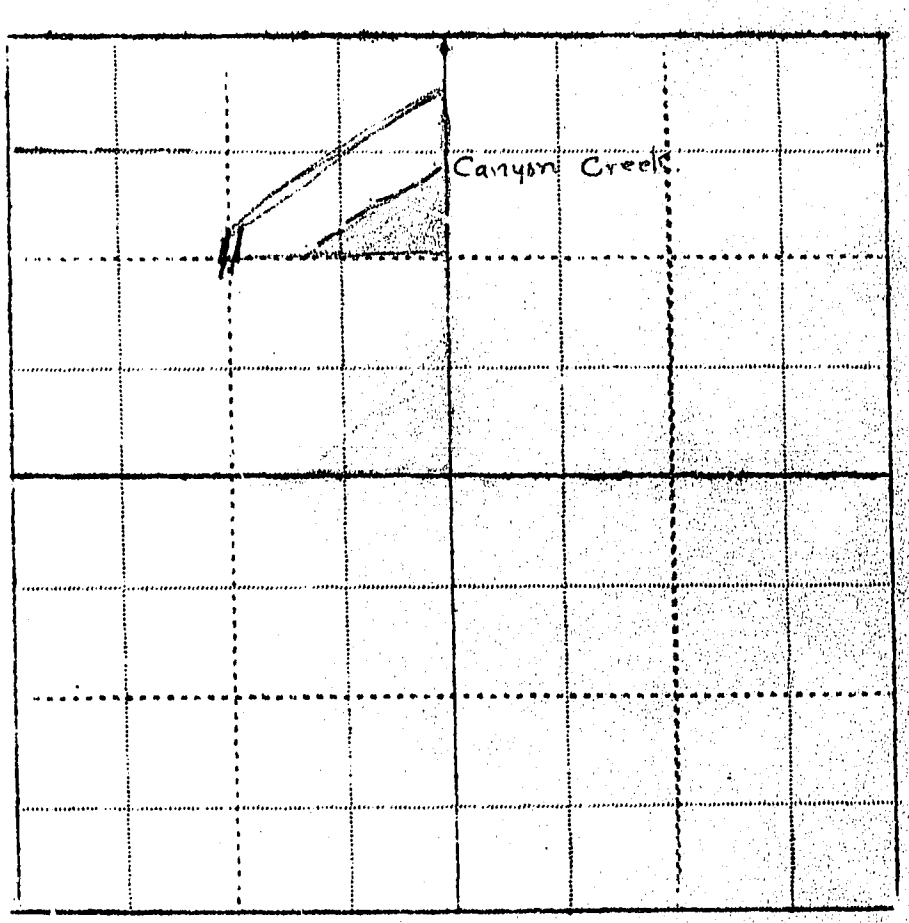
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Frac. SENE Sec 11, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Irrigated from Canyon Creek ditch



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Alex H & Henry H Frank
Rt. 1 Box 69D Laurel

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Mrs Frank Mackey Called office, Oct. 31, 1941 - Sgd.

xxxxxxx
Billings,
Oct. 26, 1942

Frank P. Mackey
Box1046
Billings, Montana.

Dear Mr. Mackey:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state. This agreement when reached will vitally affect each and every water user in the Yellowstone Basin.

Much of the information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly from those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. We would like to know if the information we have for your farms is correct. On the inclosed forms we have mapped your farm and have shown the irrigated land in blue. If you irrigate from more than one ditch we would like to have you indicate on the maps the portions irrigated from each ditch. If this information is not correct please draw in the correct boundaries to the best of your ability and return the forms to us as soon as possible in the self addressed stamped envelope inclosed. If you have land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated that is now idle please indicate on the inclosed forms this information also. Delay in this matter may mean less water and development in the future.

In order to facilitate the work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings; this is the same building the A. A. A. office is located in.

If this is not clear we would appreciate your calling on us, our phone number is 3777.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't. Engineer

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 73 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Elmer D. Clark Address Laurel, Mont
3. Date Appropriated Jan. 2, 1891 Date Filed Jan 2, 1891

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 2000, Cubic Feet per second

* 4. Name of Stream Slough Tributary Basin

5. Point of Diversion One mile

Sec. 21 Twp. 2 So Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream north

6. Purpose Irrigation & others

7. Description of System dams & ditch, 72 in. by 48 in, running N.E. through Sec. 21, 16, 15, 14, 2 So 24 E to a point on West line of SE¼ Sec. 12, 2 So 24 E about ⅛ mile north of the NW corner of SE¼, Sec 12, 2 So 24 E

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use Sec. 12 - 2 So 24 E. (and such other pieces of land as may desire)

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Appropriation made Nov. 22, 1889

*. Running thru Sections 20 & 21 - 2 So 24 E. said slough, drains to pond in Sec 22, 23, 2 So 23 E & through which slough the Clarks Fork ditch Co. runs.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 2 Page 75 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Albert Butler Address Yellowstone Co., Mont
3. Date Appropriated Oct 8 - 1894 Date Filed Oct 8-1894

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 100, Cubic Feet per second

* 4. Name of Stream Conlee Tributary Basin

5. Point of Diversion 850 ft. north of NW corner of NE¼

Sec. 12 Twp. 2 So Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream South

6. Purpose Irrigation, domestic, & other useful

7. Description of System Dam & ditch 24 in. wide on bottom 2y 36 in. across top, 2y 8 in deep. Runs SE upon land

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use Ow. NE¼, Sec. 12 2 So. 24 E

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

* Conlee heads below canal of Mont. Land & Imp. Co. running SE thru SW¼ Sec 1, 2 So 24 E.
Appropriated Sept 12, 1894

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book A-1 Page 5 Record Misc. Book 1
2. Name of Appropriator Albert Butler Address Billings, Mont. Territory
3. Date Appropriated July 8, 1885 Date Filed July 9, 1885

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 200, Cubic Feet per second
* 4. Name of Stream Laurel Creek Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion 2m NE NW¼ Sec 12. 2So 24E about 278 yds. west of the west line of NE¼,

   Sec. 12 Twp. 2So Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream South
6. Purpose Irrigation & other

   Description of System Ditch, 42 in. wide & 18 in deep. thence running SE to a point on west line of NW NE¼ Sec 12-2So. 24 E.

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use NE¼, Sec 12- 2So. 24 E

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)
* Creek being about 300 yds East of Laurel station.

   Appropriated July 7- 1885

Decree

10. Case No. ..... Date ..... Amt. Decreed: M. I. ..... C. F. S. .....
11. To Whom Decreed ..... Address .....
12. Name of Ditch ..... Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) .....
13. Date of Priority ..... Purpose .....
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed .....

FORM SM-1 Burdette Sub.

16 P.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & L.E.

1. Water User C. W. Machette Address 309 Coleman Road Spokane

2. Stream Italian Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System None

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Co. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated .25

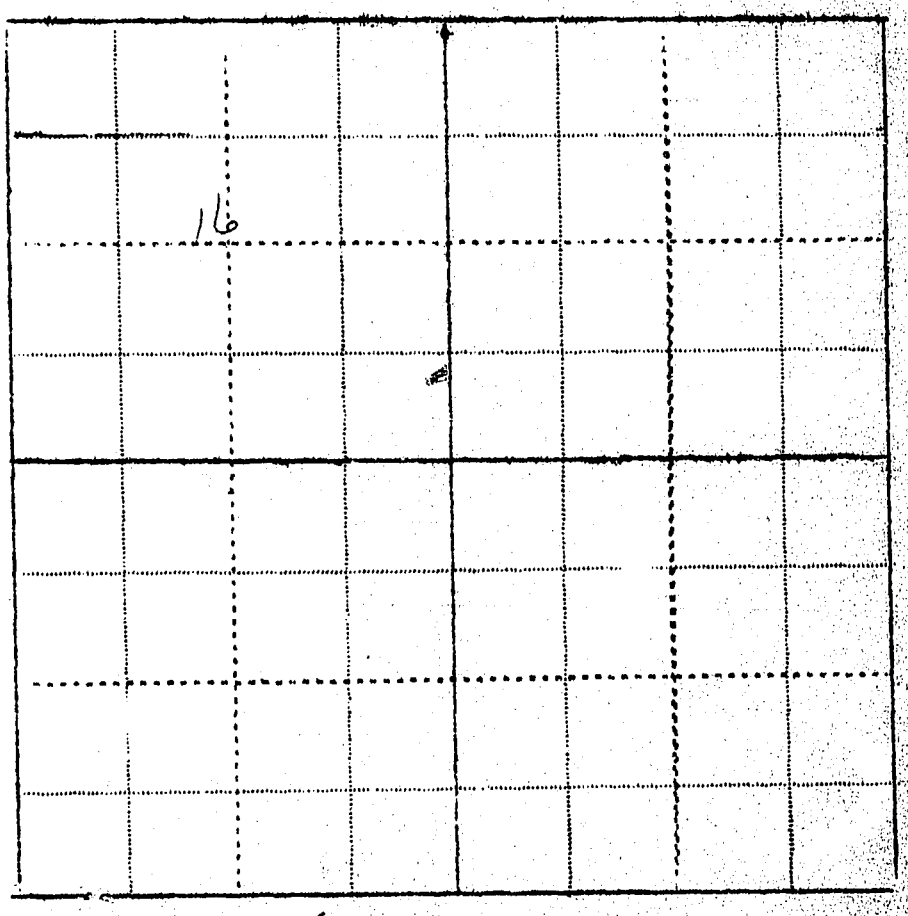
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Burdette Sub. Sec 16, T 28, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Water from Italian ditch All irrigated



WITNESS: G J Orand Information by from C. W. Laird

Place Laurel

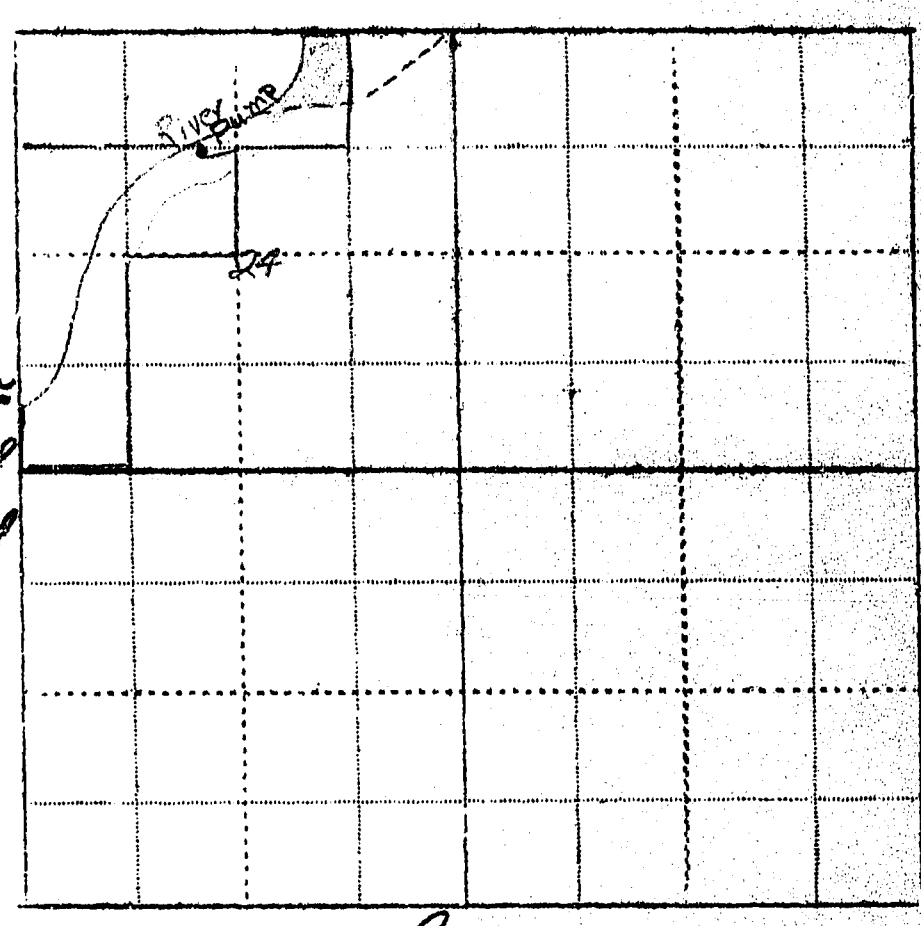
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User John Martian Address Laurel
2. Stream Yellowstone Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion NE¼SE¼SW Section 24 Township 2S Range 24E
4. Description of System Pump + ditches
5. Type of Irrigation artificial
6. Original Appropriator John Martian Address 504 Fir avenue
7. First Use: Year 1939 Acres Irrigated 23
8. Maximum Use: Year 1939 Acres Irrigated 23
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 66.6 correction 23 acres irrigated
10. Last Use: Year — Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Lots 1, 3, 4, 5, Sec. 24, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: 14 acres are irrigated under 4" inch centrifugal pump throws 50 acre inches of water operated with 40 horse electric motor. 9 acres are irrigated from a 6 in. centrifugal pump which is operated by Leo Kamp who has his pump on my property.



WITNESS: Letter

Information by John Martian

Place 504 Fir ave Laurel mont

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

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County Yellowstone Source of Information AA-5054

1. Water User John Martin Address Laurel

2. Stream Yellowstone Tributary to _____ Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 36.6

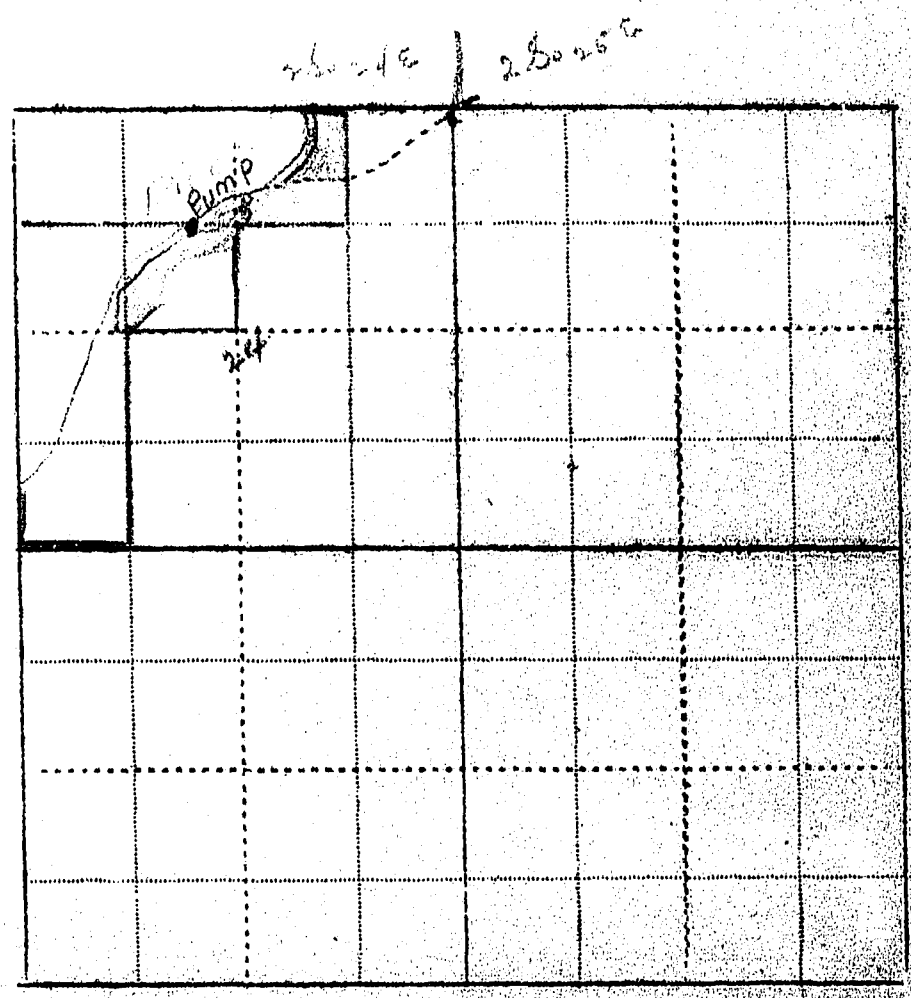
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lot 1, 3, 4, 5, Sec 2, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____

B. J. Lekoff, Laurel, Tenant.



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. John Martin
Laurel, Montana

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Second: What is the size and capacity of your pump?
We would like to have you answer the questions checked in red on the enclosed form.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

John Martian
can find work sheet

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County (Carbon) Yellowstone Book L Page 302 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator James W. Dix Address Clarks Fork River, Carbon Co. Mont.
3. Date Appropriated Oct. 12 1893 Date Filed Nov. 28, 1908

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 100, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Spring Creek Tributary Basin
5. * Point of Diversion In South portion of Lots 1, 3, 4, 5

   Sec. 24 Twp. 2 So Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream East
6. Purpose Irrigation + domestic
7. Description of System A ditch 24 in. by 36 in. thence runs 1/2 mile over + upon said land, thence 1/2 East over + upon said land.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use Lots 1, 3, 4, 5, Sec 24 2 So 24 E.
9. * Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Being upon East bank of Spring Creek and on the southern portion of the above described land.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

✓ 1. Water User D. H. McCauley Address

2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

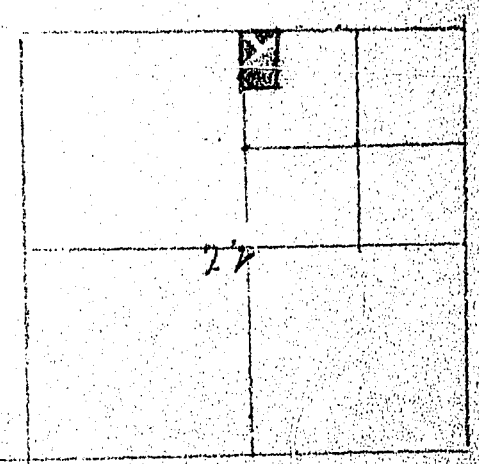
6 9. Present Use: Year Acres Irrigated 4.00

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System good

12. Land Description Frac NW NE¼, Sec 22, T 2So, R 24E

Remarks: no shares



WITNESS: G. J. Cravetz Information by Ditch Co, Ownership, Phts + Ass

Place Billings, March 29-1943

Copy of Laurel Security Form

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 1040 A2-985

1. Water User D. H. McCauley Address Laurel Mont.

2. Stream Big Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System Headgates + ditches

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Co. Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated 187.4

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 127.4

10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....

11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description NE NE¼ Sec 8 - 52 A in W NW¼ Sec 9, T 28, R 24E.

Remarks: [illegible]

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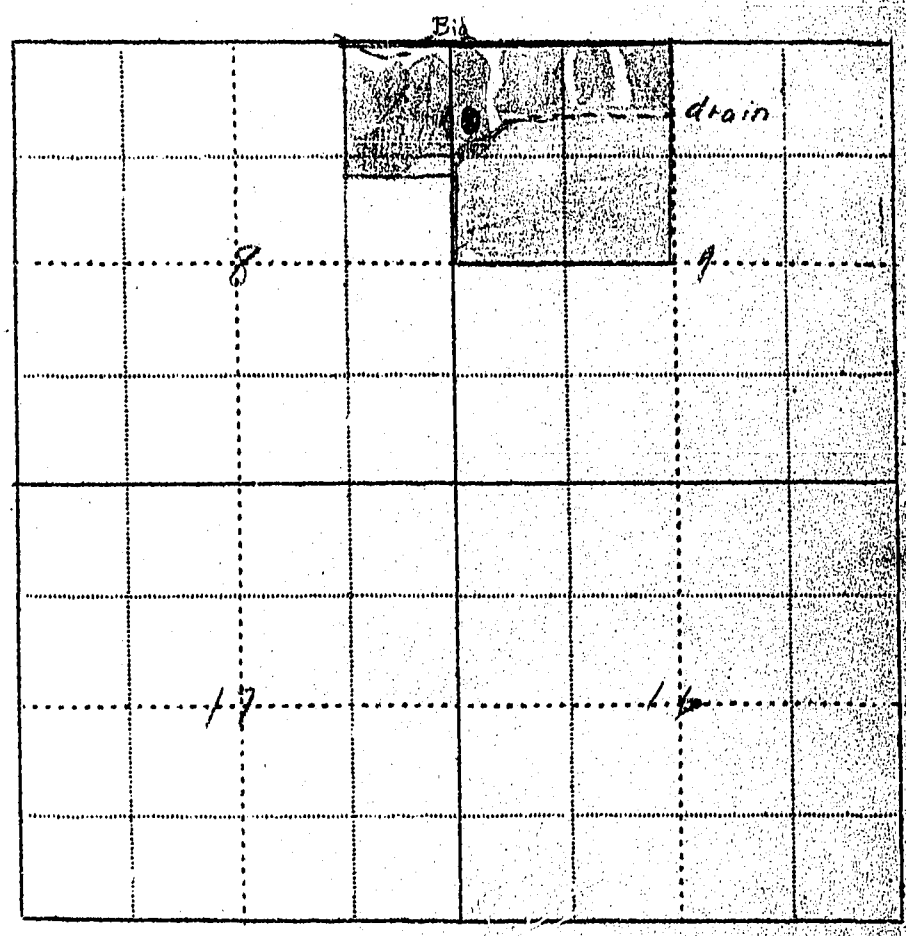
Has 35 Shares in the Big ditch.

60 Acres seeped



WITNESS: ..... Information by .....

Place .....

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 1040 P1

1. Water User D. H. McCauley Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 63.50

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 38.5

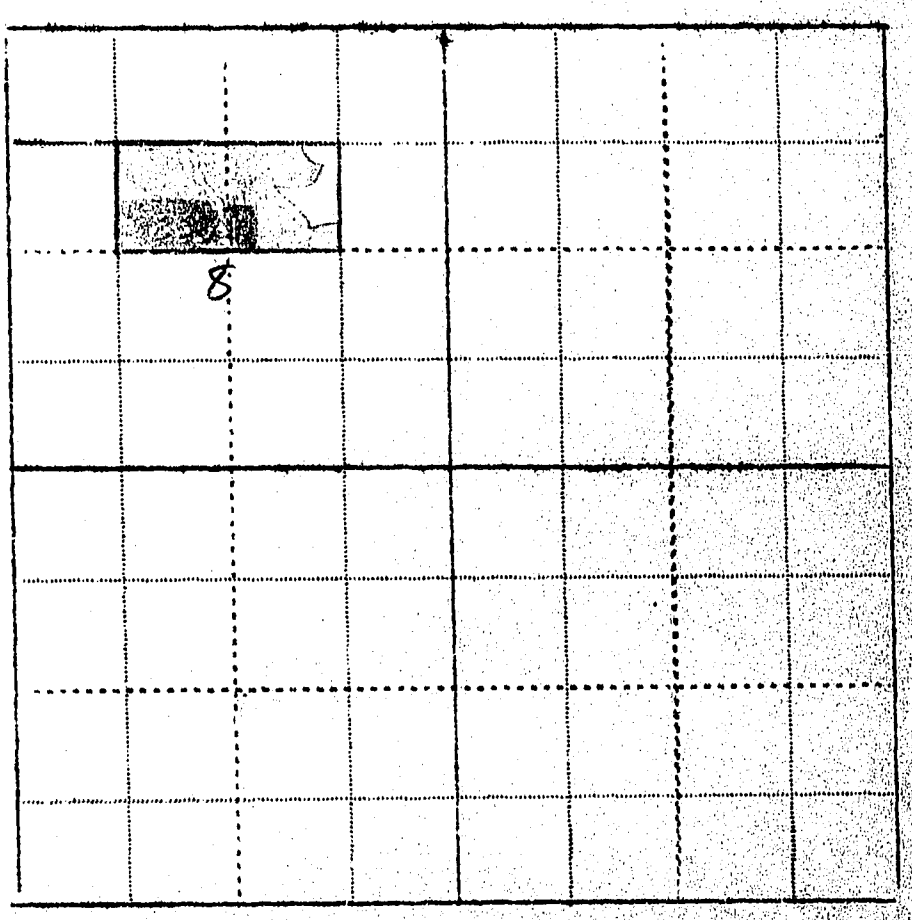
10. Last Use: Year / Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description SE ¼ SW ¼ Sec 8, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____

25 A sup



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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Billings,
Oct. 21, 1942

D. J. McCauley
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. McCauley:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state. This agreement when reached will vitally affect each and every water user in the Yellowstone Basin.

Much of this information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly from those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. Inclosed you will find a small map of your 2 farms. We would like to have you color in or mark in some way the fields that you irrigate, and also show those that have been irrigated. If you have land that is effected by seepage we would like to have you indicate those also. Any other information that you may give us pertaining to your land will be greatly appreciated.

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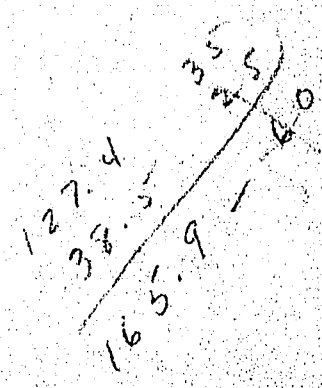
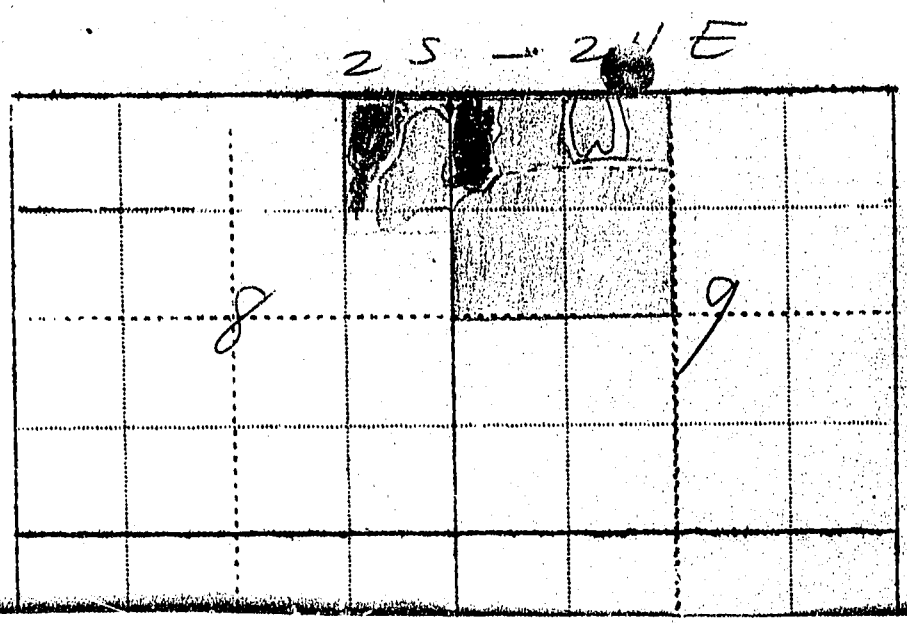
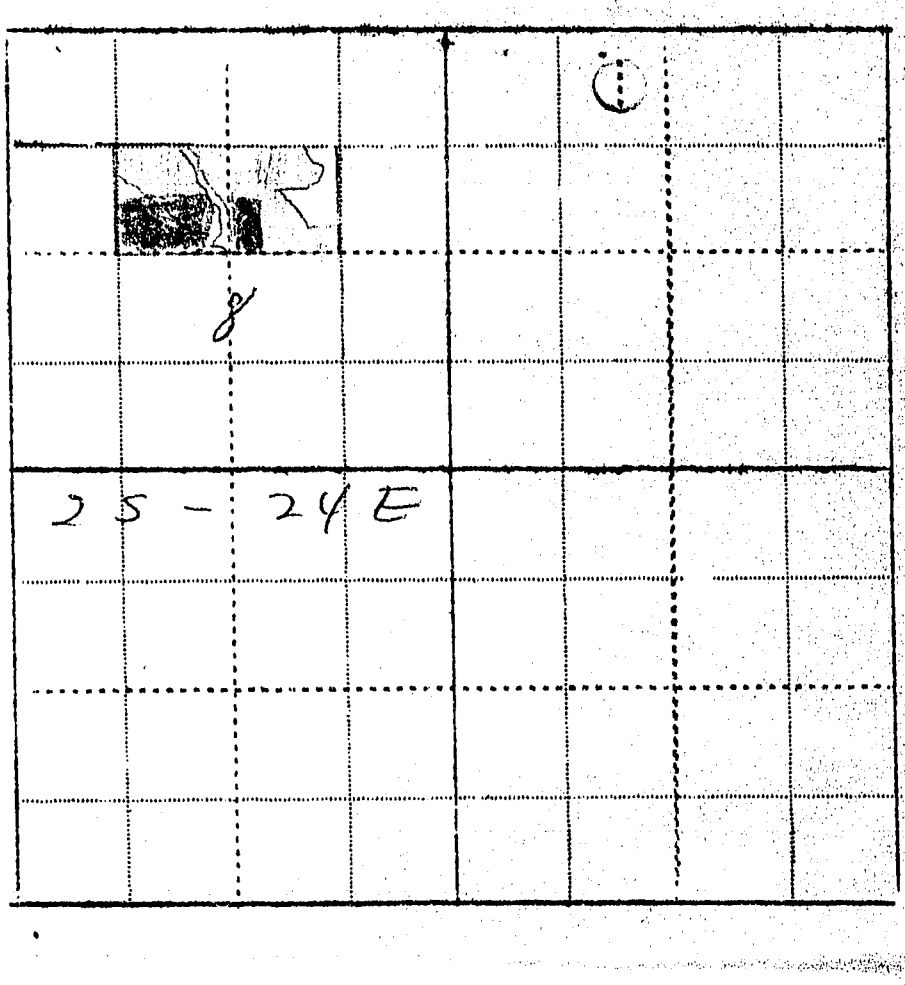
Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't. Engineer



Remarks: This is how we show your irrigated land





DR. DANIEL H. McCAULEY
LAUREL, MONTANA

October 25, 1942

Mr. G. J. Oravetz, Ass't Engineer
Box 875,
Billings, Montana

Dear Mr. Oravetz:

Reference is made to your letter of October 21, 1942, in which you enclose two diagrams of two farms owned by us, adjoining Laurel on the north.

The way you have it outlined I think is approximately correct except in sections 8 and 9, there is about 60 acres that has seeped. Otherwise I don't believe I have any suggestions to offer. I hope you will be able to present Montana's case in a favorable manner. The spots I have marked in pencil are the areas that are seeped.

The acreage in these farms are 155 acres in section 9 and 140 acres in section 8, 2 South, Range 24 east.

It might be of interest to know that I started to divide this into 5 acre and 10 acre tracts and have built several houses on it with that in view. These are now all occupied and are very much in demand but because of the government restrictions I have not been able to do anymore developing. I have electricity in all the houses and have piped city water to them, putting in one mile or more of copper pipe.

Along the north line, I gave the city and county a strip of road, which is now known as 7th Street. They, in turn, graveled and built a small drainage ditch along the north side of this street, extending from 3rd Avenue to 8th Avenue.

I have also constructed several drainage ditches in section 8, approximately 1200 feet in length which has aided materially in rehabilitating the soil.

If I can be of any assistance in this respect, feel free to call upon me.

Very truly yours,

D. H. McCauley

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FORM SM-1

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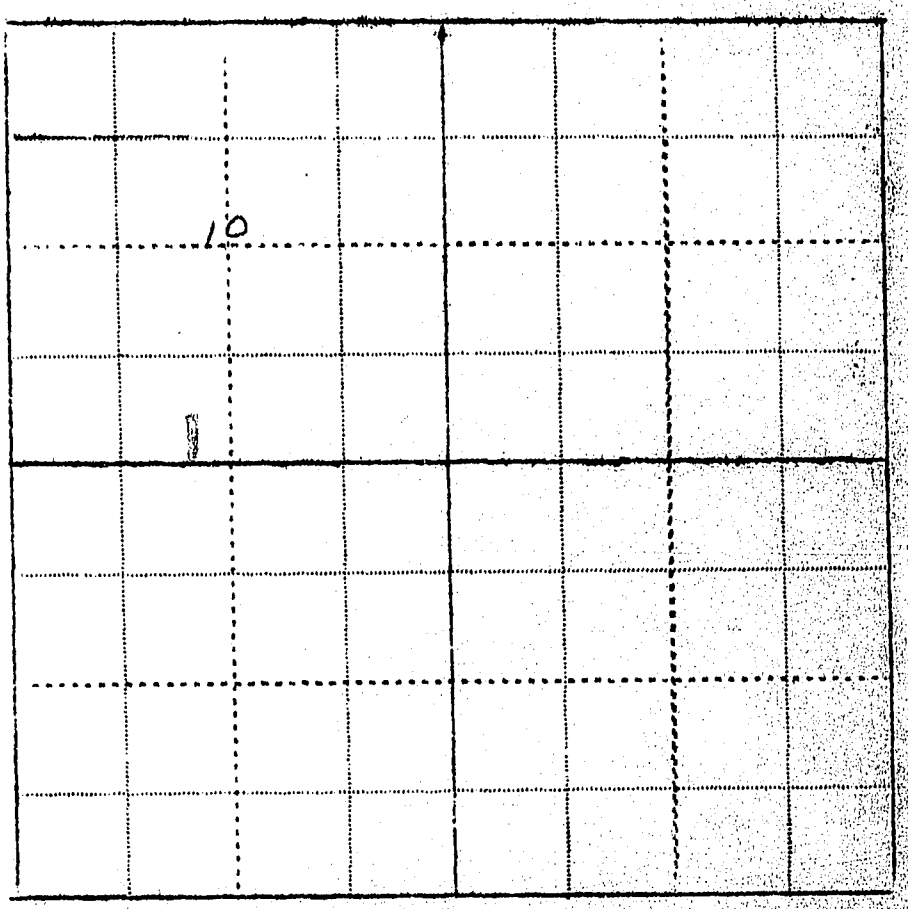
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User John Meyers Address Laurel
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Headgate + Lat.
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Big ditch " Address _____
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated .55
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Frac SE SW¼, Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Information correct as shown.
1 Share in Big ditch Co.



WITNESS: [signature] Oct 14, 1942

Information by Phone

Place Billings Mont.

FORM SM-1

10. O.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Harlan Milligan Address 123 No 24th St Billings

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Co. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 3.75

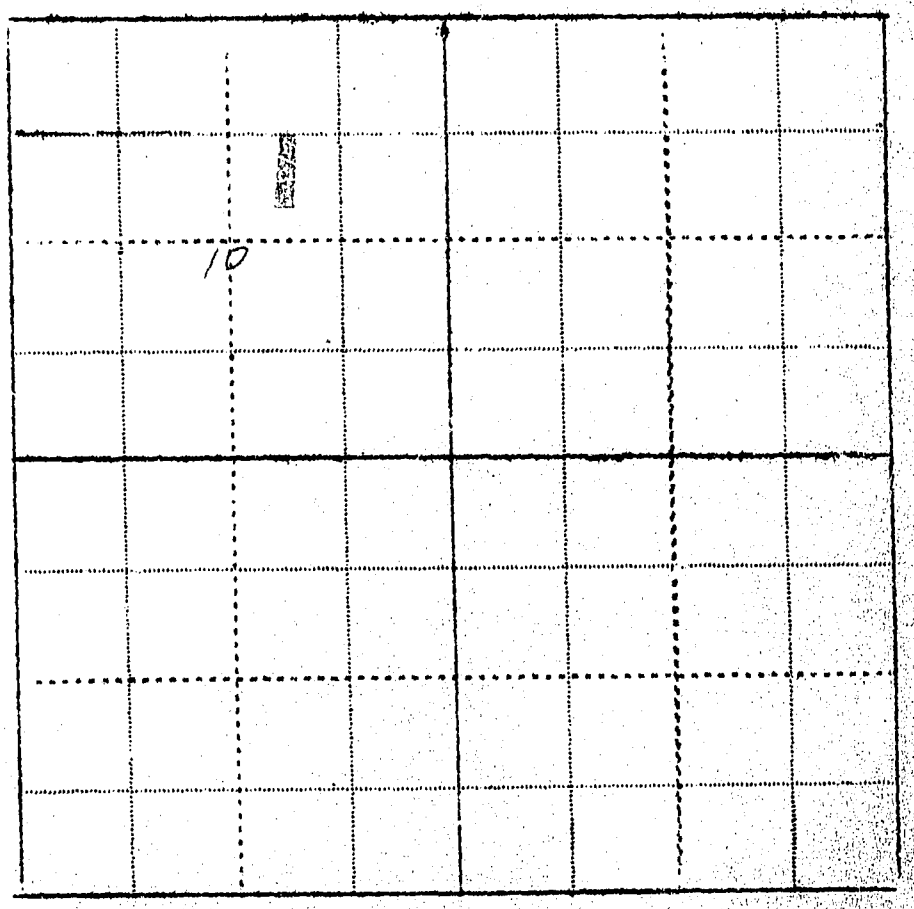
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac. SW NE¼ Sec 10, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Have I share
Information Correct
as shown G.J.O.
according to Harlan
Milligan at his home



WITNESS: Gerald J. Omang Information by Contact place

Place by Car

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Mrs. Mary R. Mogan Address Rte 1 - Box 128 - Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate + Lat.

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Co. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 8 A in Farm - Taxes exempted

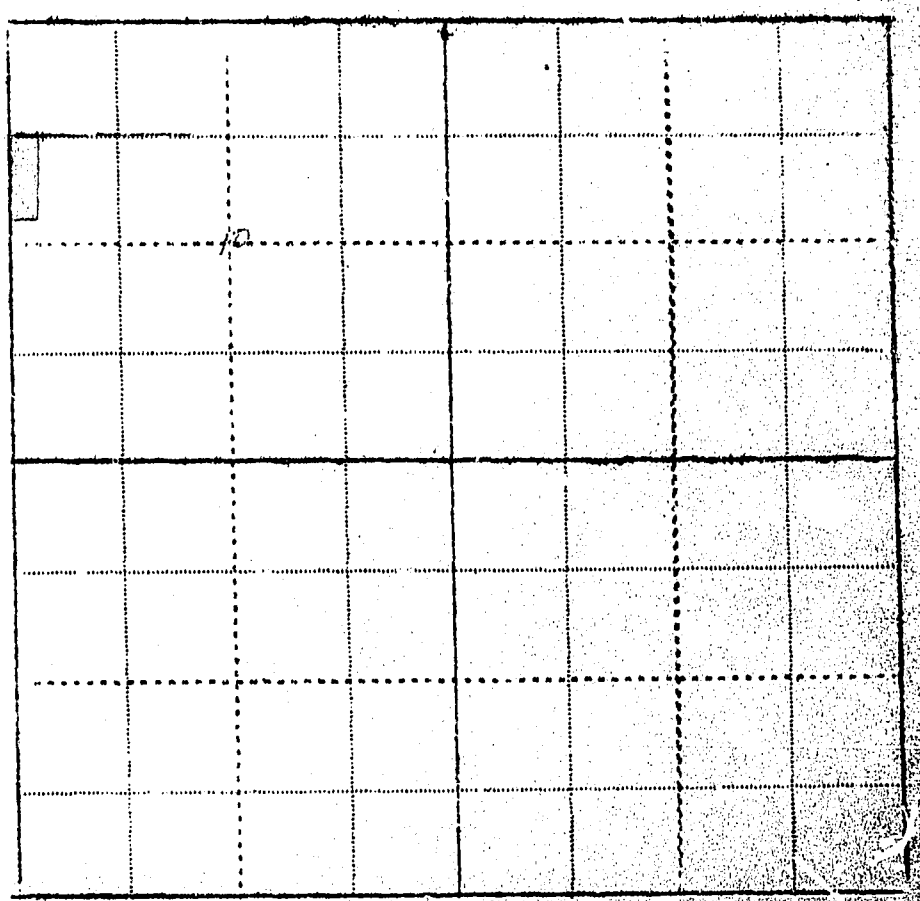
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good.

12. Land Description Frac S½ NW¼ Sec 10, T 2 S., R 24 E.

Remarks: _____

Has 2 shares in Big ditch Information as shown correct



WITNESS: _____ Information by Mrs. Mary R Mogan

Place at Ranch

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User L. B. Moore Address Laurel

2. Stream Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Del's automatic Pressure Pumps

5. Type of Irrigation Hose

6. Original Appropriator I. B. Moore Address

7. First Use: Year 1932 Acres Irrigated .25

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated .25

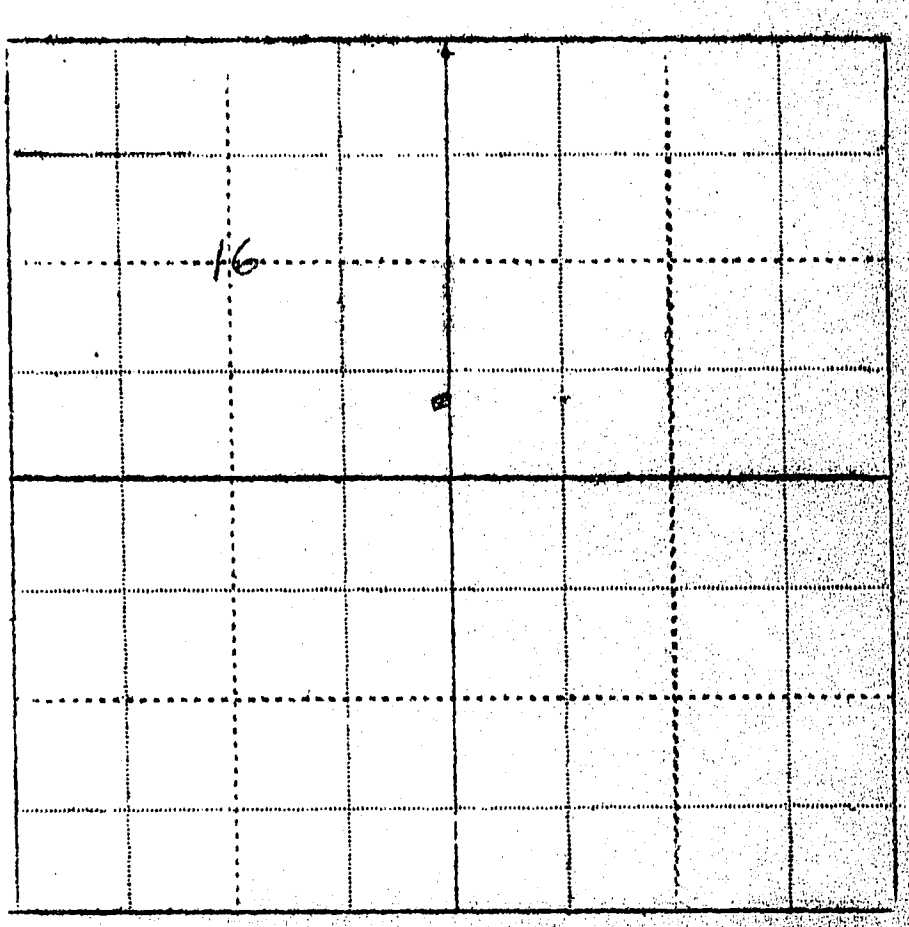
9. Present Use: Year Acres Irrigated .25

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description Burdette Sub. Sec. 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Water is Pumped from well



WITNESS: Letter

Information by L. B. Moore

Place Laurel Mont

Billings,
November 24, 1942

Mr. L. E. Moore
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Moore:

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Second: From what source do you get your water for irrigation purposes? If from a ditch how many shares do you have in the said ditch?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

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County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User L. B. Moore Address Laurel

2. Stream Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

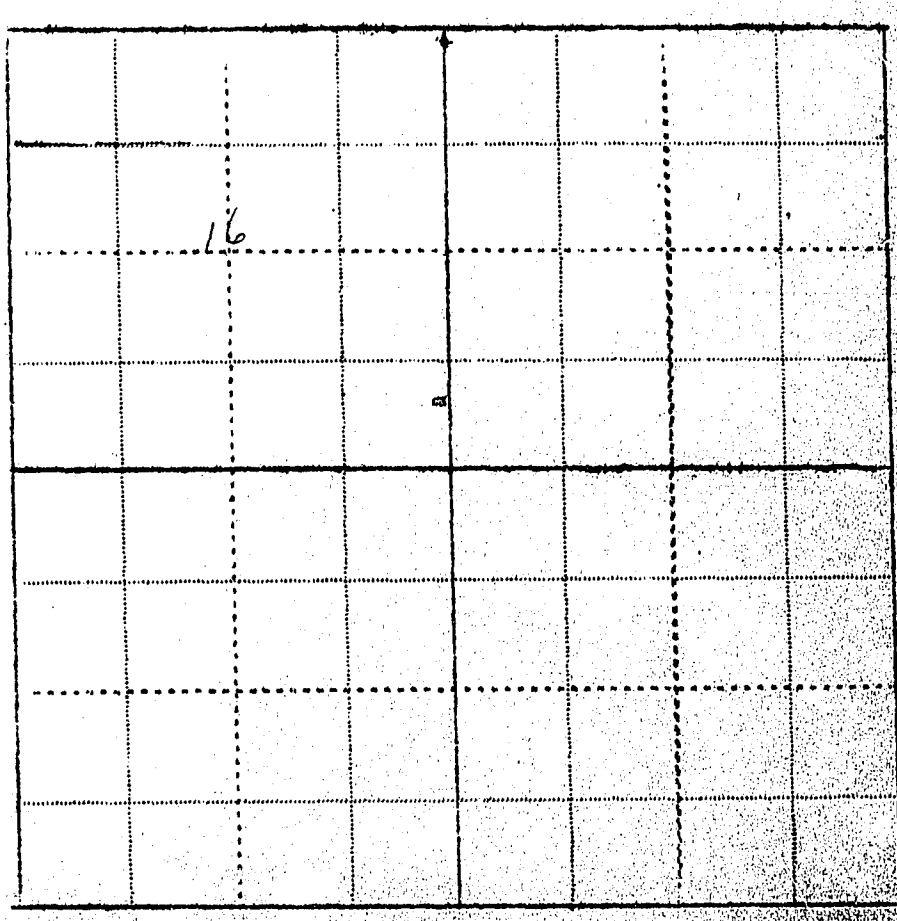
9. Present Use: Year Acres Irrigated 125

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description Bundle Sub. Sec 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:



WITNESS: Information by

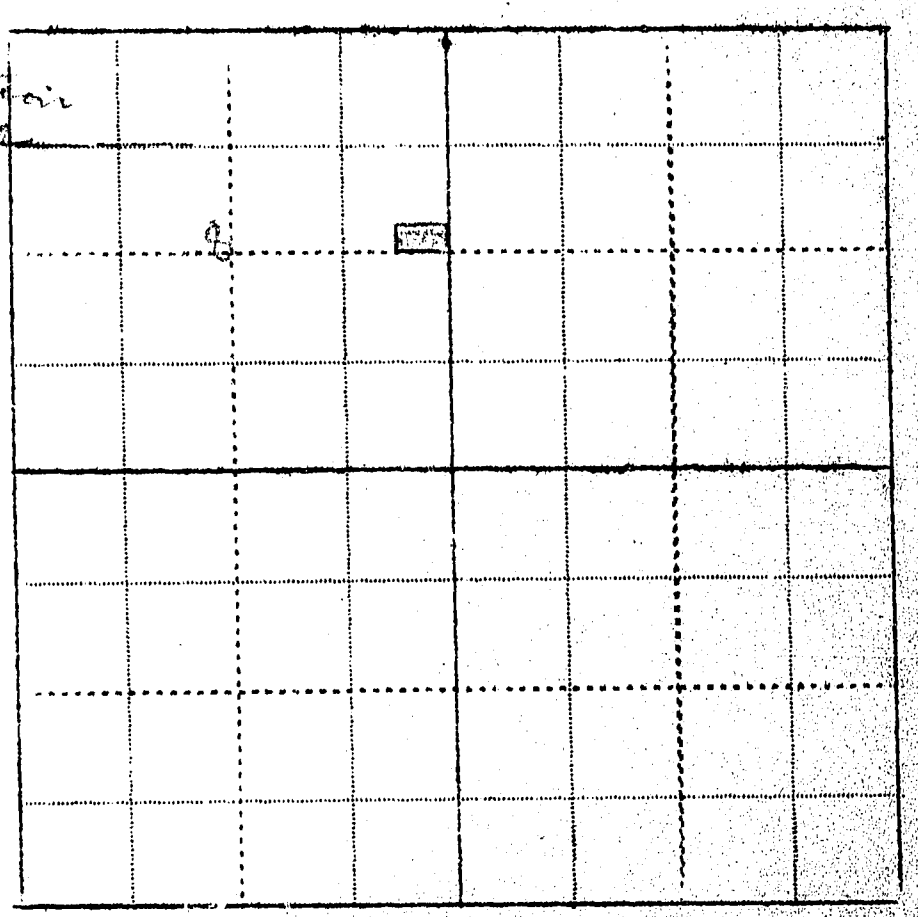
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Photo + Ownership Map

1. Water User N. E. Moore Address Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Flooding + Gravity, Headgate.
5. Type of Irrigation _____
6. Original Appropriator Charles D. Camp + Big Ditch Address Laurel Mont
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 5
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System Fair
12. Land Description Frac SE NE ¼, Sec 8, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: has 2 Shares under Big ditch - Information as shown correct G.J.O.



WITNESS: [signature] Information by Car at Place

Place in Laurel

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 62 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Charles D Camp Address Laurel, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated May 14, 1890 Date Filed May 14, 1890

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 400, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Bald Hill Creek & its tributaries Tributary Basin
5. * Point of Diversion

   In

   Sec. 36 Twp. 1 So Rge. 23 E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigating, watering stock, domestic & other.
7. Description of System dam & ditches 48 in by 36 in.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½ SW¼ Sec. 8 2 So 24 E.
9. * Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Ditches are a continuation of Bald Hill Creek & runs SE to dam in SE¼ of Sec 6 2 So 24 E then SE to place of use.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 2338

1. Water User C. L. Morris Address Laurel Mont, 105 E 4"

2. ~~Stream~~ Big ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates + ditch.

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator J. F. Burley ? Address dead

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

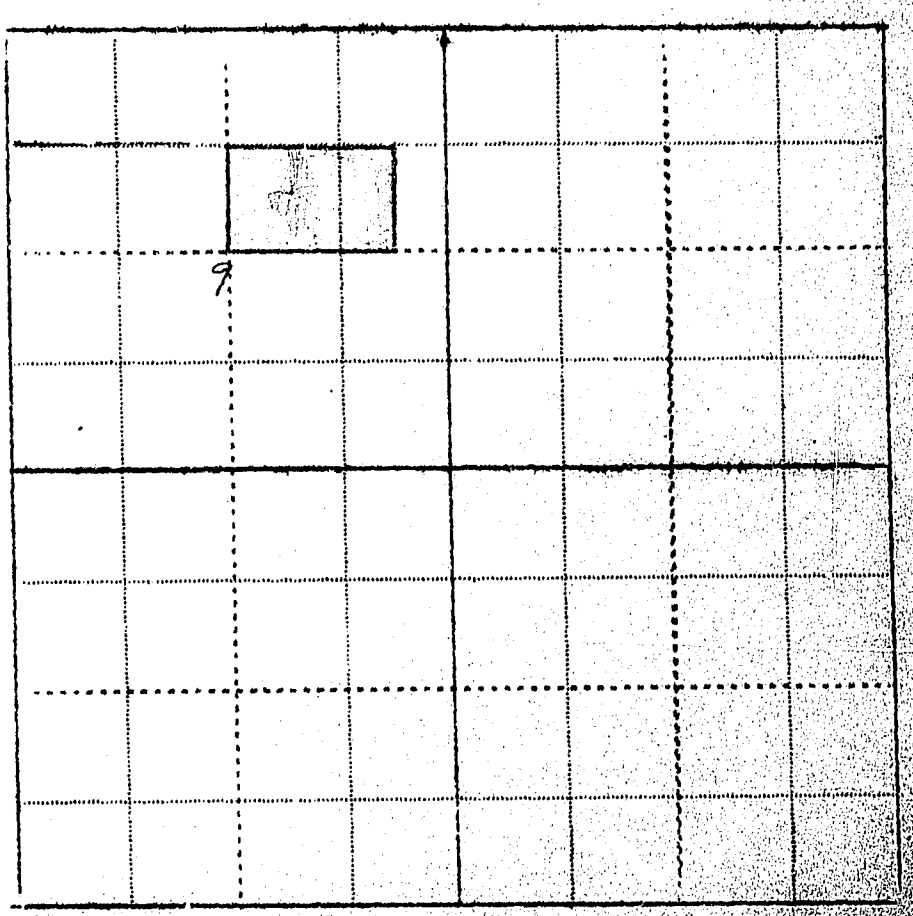
9. Present Use: Year [illegible] Acres Irrigated 55.

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System good

12. Land Description SW NE¼, W SE NE¼, Sec 9, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: has 8 shares under Big Ditch all irrigated from same



WITNESS: C. L. Morris Information by office call MK

Place 1/6/43

P. 209

Billings,
xxxxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. C. L. Morris
105 E. 4th
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Morris:

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Second: Is this land all irrigated from the Big Ditch? If not please give us the name, acres and number of shares under the second ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm willbe greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

xxxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. C. L. Morris
105 E. 4th
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Morris:

On November 24, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 549.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

9C

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County _____ Source of Information Photo & Ownership

1. Water User Esther Munyan Address Laurel

✓ 2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & Lat.

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 9.25

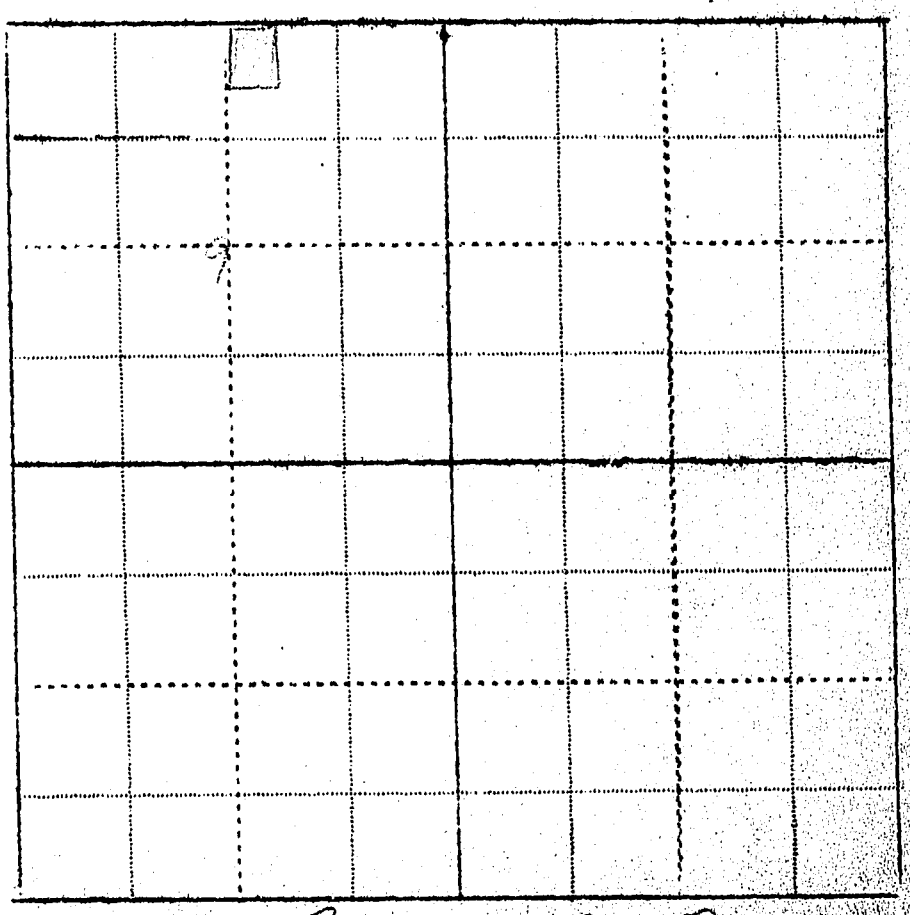
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description NW NW NE Sec 9, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Contact by car
Has 2 shares
in Big ditch
Information as
shown correct
G.J.O.



WITNESS: _____

Information by Gerald J. Onanet

Place Taken at place
from neighbors and etc.

FORM SM-1

22F

Davis ditch

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Thomas H. Nicholas Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ None Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + pump + laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 8

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 8

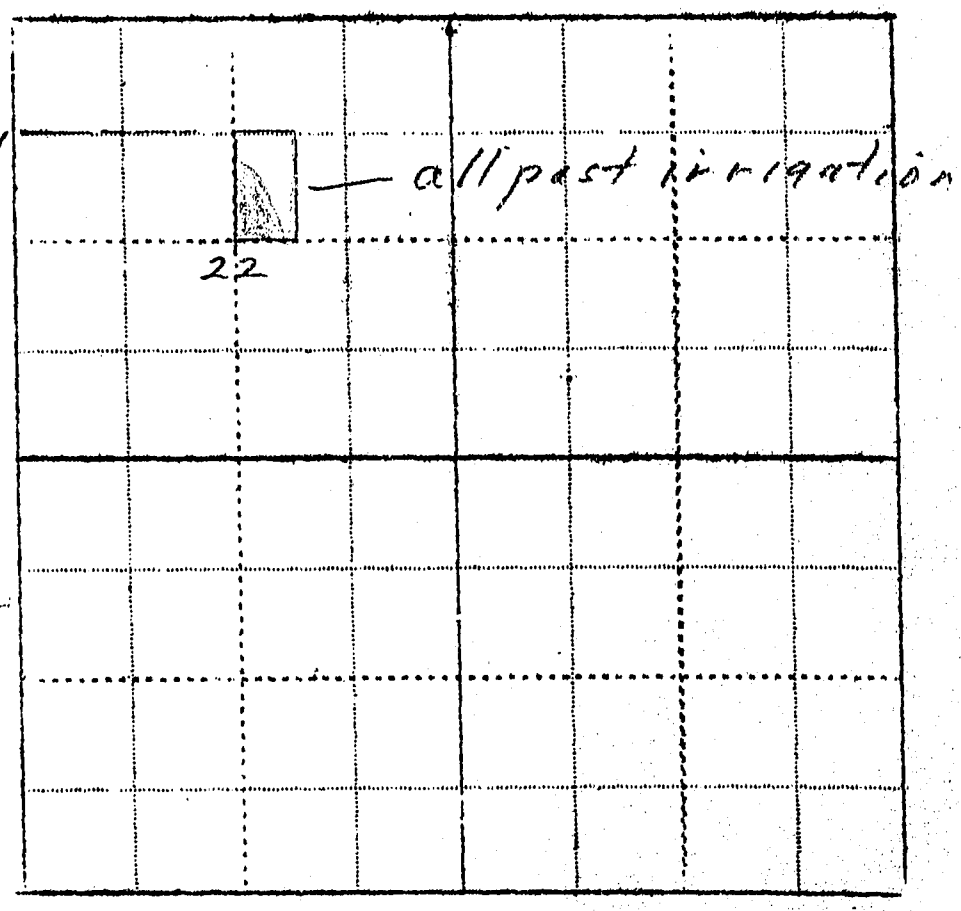
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description SW¼SW¼NE¼, NW¼SW¼NE¼, Sec. 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Not irrigated at present, last use was 1941, pumped waste water ~~wastes~~. Did have shares in Davis ditch but gave them up was under Davis ditch. Mrs Ogura now has his stock



WITNESS: S. J. Orange Information by Mrs. T. H. Nicholas

Nov 23, 1942 Place Billings - phone

FORM SM-1

22K
27B

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 1045

1. Water User N. E. Nicholas Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ No Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Subirrigated.

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

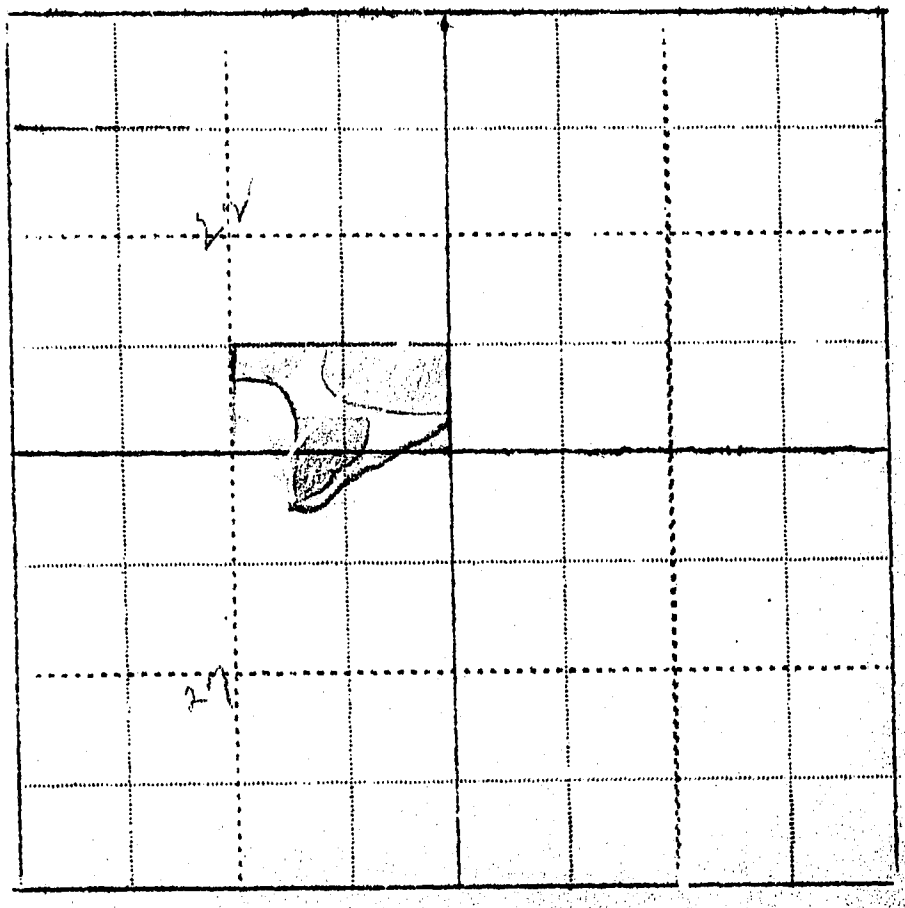
9. Present Use: Year 19[illegible] Acres Irrigated 50.7

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System None

12. Land Description Lots 5 & 6, Sec 22 - Lot 2 Sec 27, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: all sub-irrigated no ditch system Information as shown correct.



WITNESS: S. J. Orange Jr. Nov 23, 1942

Information by N. E. Nicholas

Place Phone Billings

FORM SM-1 Norton, A. H.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information 2345 aaa

1. Water User A. H. Norton Address Laurel

2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year [illegible] Acres Irrigated 15.

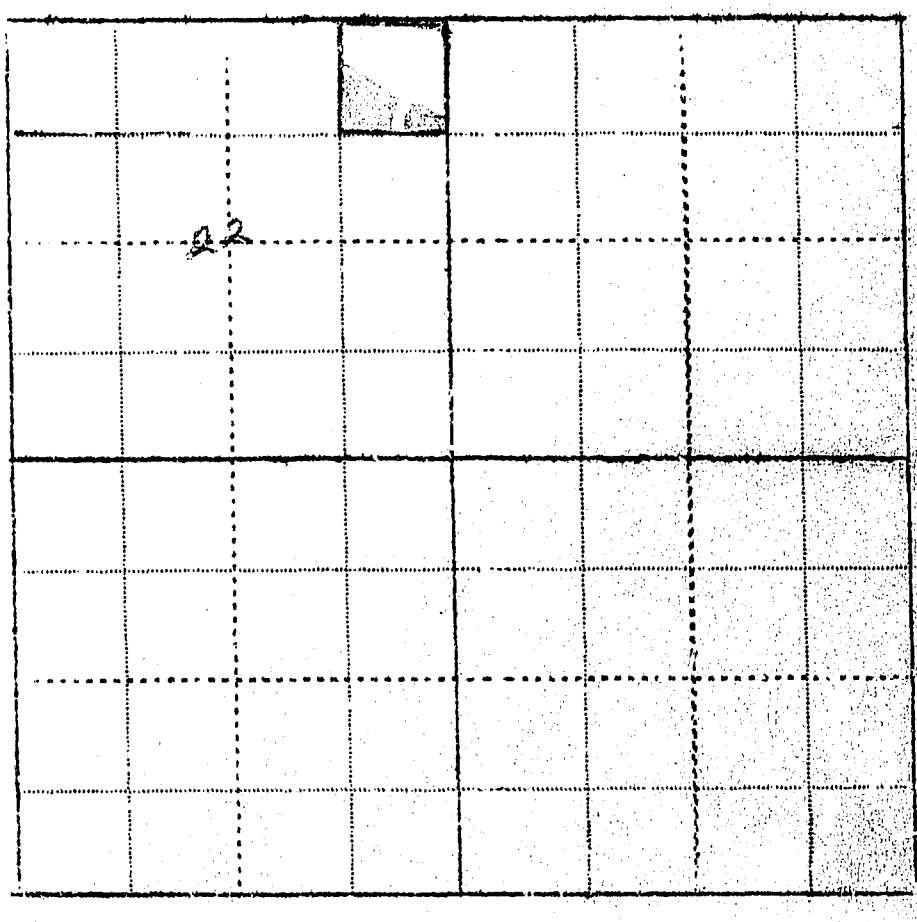
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible] Sec 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

45 inches Davis Ditch



WITNESS _____ Correction by _____

Silesia Mont.
April 8 1943
Gerald J. Oravetz
Billings
Mont.

Dear Mr Oravetz,
All I know to tell you about the water for my place near Laurel is that I own 25 shares of stock in the Davis Ditch which heads in the yellowstone river. The place consists of 40 acres. The ditch has been established a long time but I do not know how many inches of water are allowed per share of stock. If any one else can tell you you certainly can prorate my shares, very truly yours,
A. N. Norton

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 25, 1942

Mr. A. H. Norton
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Norton:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land which is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: From what ditch do you get your water to irrigate and how many shares do you have in this ditch?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

xxxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. A. H. Norton
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Norton:

On November 25, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

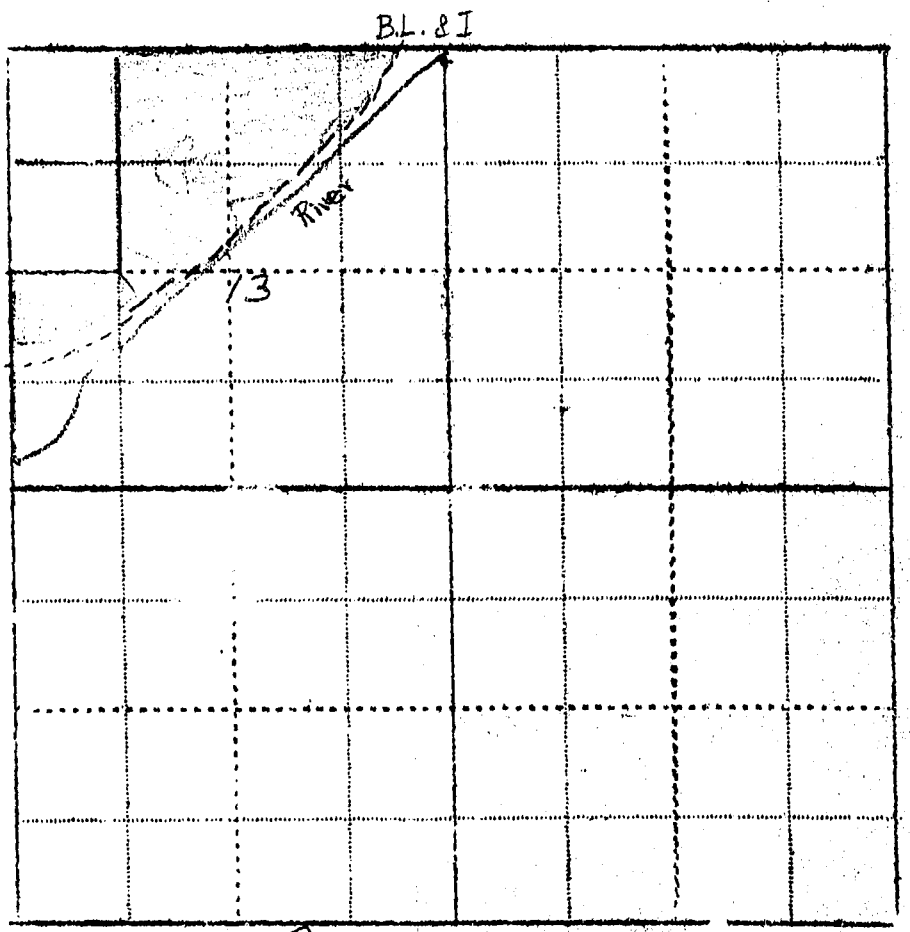
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Jennie N. Nutt Address 30 Broadwater Ave, Billings
2. ~~Stream~~ Canyon Cr. Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator [illegible] Address [illegible]
7. First Use: Year [illegible] Acres Irrigated [illegible]
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 155.3
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System
12. Land Description Lots 1,2,3,4,5,6 NE¼NW¼, Sec. 13, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Have 25 Shares in Canyon Creek Ditch Road Direct as shown



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Jennie N. Nu

Place Billings, Mont.

Note on Reverse side

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-2330

1. Water User Jennie N. Nutt Address 30 Broadwater, Billings

2. ~~Stream~~ Canyon Creek D. Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

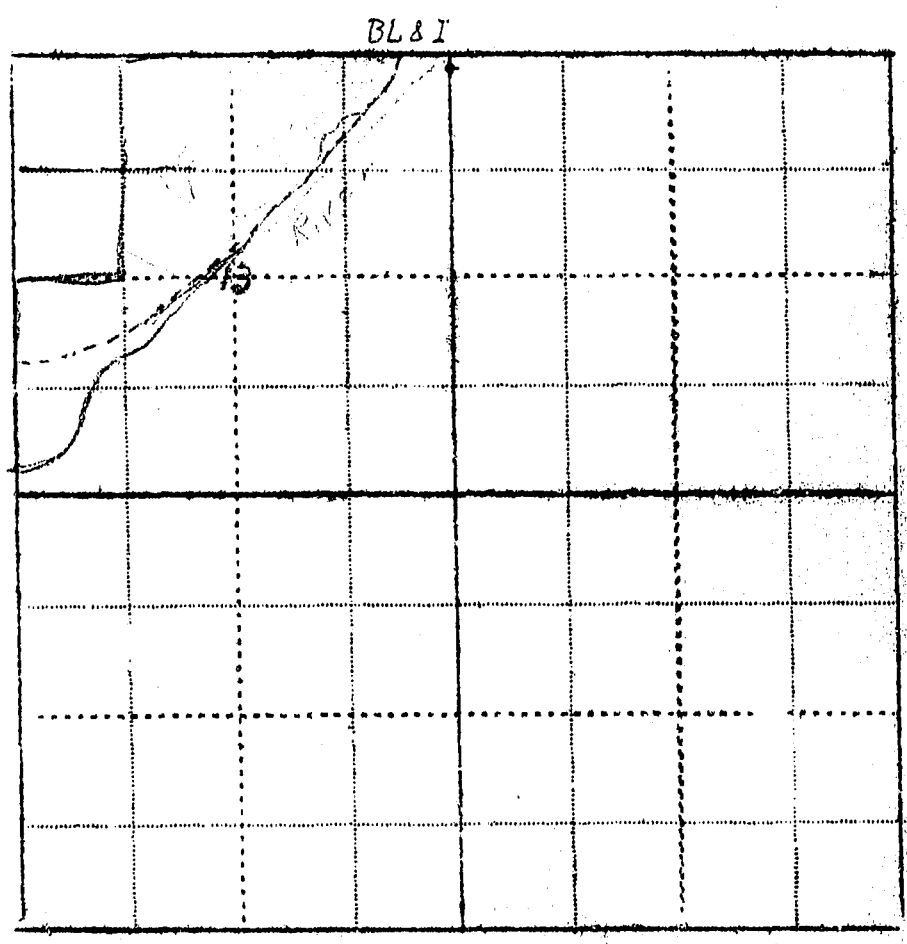
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 155.3

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, NE NW4 Sec. 13, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Have 25 shares under Canyon Creek Ditch.



John George, Laurel
Tenant

WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 25, 1942

Mrs. Jennie M. Nutt
30 Broadwater Ave.
Billings, Montana

Dear Mrs. Nutt:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you tohhelp us.

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Second: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Nutting Brothers Address Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + Ditches

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~29~~ 0 52

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

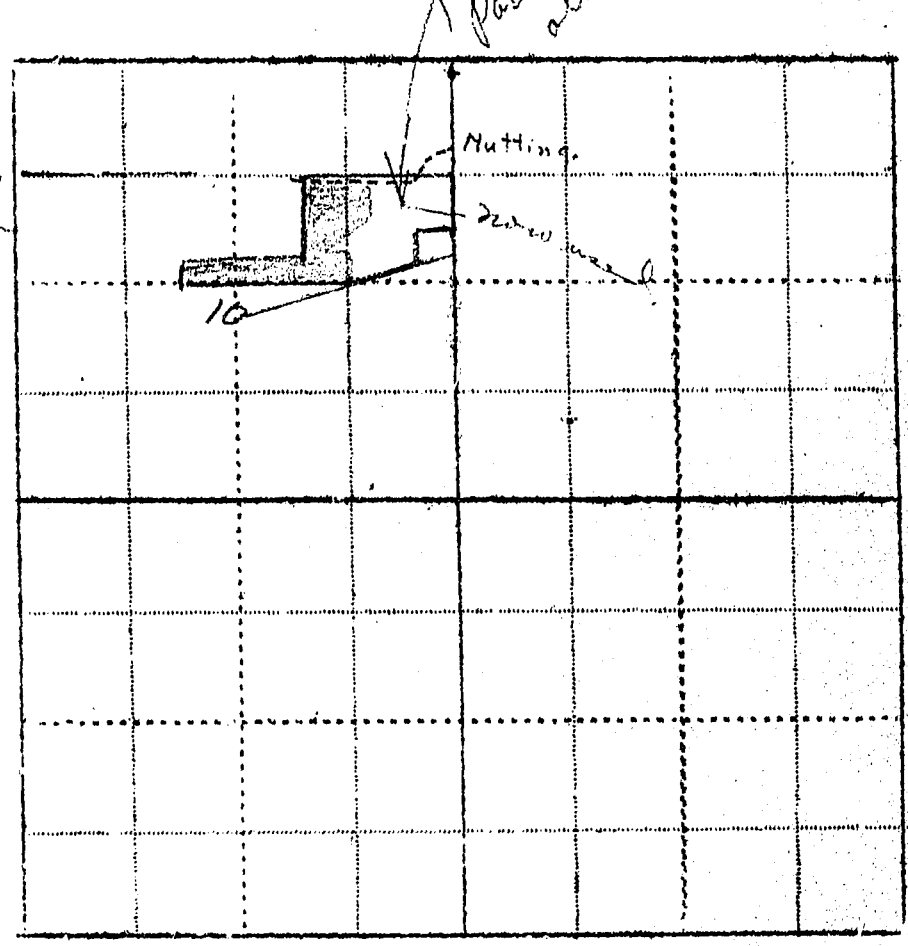
11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description S½S½S½NW¼, Frac. in SW¼NE¼, Sec. 10, T 2S, R 24E
Frac. in SE¼NE¼, Sec. 10

Remarks:

52 A. in the 2 contracts, total in farming

8½ shares Big Ditch



WITNESS: [illegible]

Information by [illegible] Nutting

Place Billings Office

Nov. 27, 1942

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 25, 1942

The Nutting Brothers
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Nutting:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the information necessary to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of this information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

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Second: Is all of this land irrigated from the Big Ditch, and if so, how many shares do you have in this ditch?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

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Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

:O/rh

Phillip Knaub, Jr., Laurel
Tenant

FORM SM-1

10B.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-1046 B 1046 C

1. Water User Nutting Bros Address Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

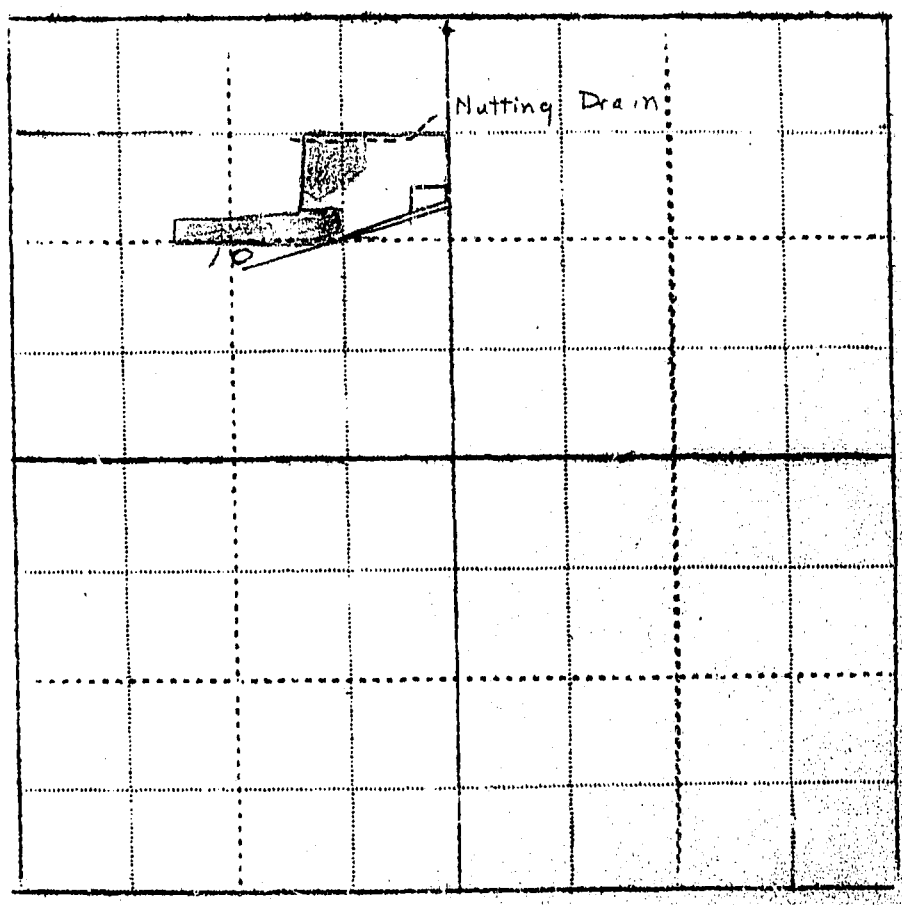
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 29.0 - 0

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description S²S²S²NW⁴, Free in SW¼NE⁴ Sec 10, T 2 S., R 24 E.
SENE¼ Sec 10 2 S 24 E.

Remarks: _____



FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User L. A. Nutting Address Laurel 523 Alder Ave.
2. ~~Stream~~ Old Mill, ~~Cramer, Big ditch~~ Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Old Mill ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 181 51.98 in Sec. 30 = 232.98
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description S½S½S½, Sec. 16. All Sec. 21 No. of River T 2S, R 24E
Lots 4 & 5, SE¼SW¼, Sec. 30 2S 24E

Remarks:

Has 44 shares under old Mill ~~Cramer~~ ?

~~8½ shares Big Ditch~~

~~[illegible]~~

~~[illegible] mill~~

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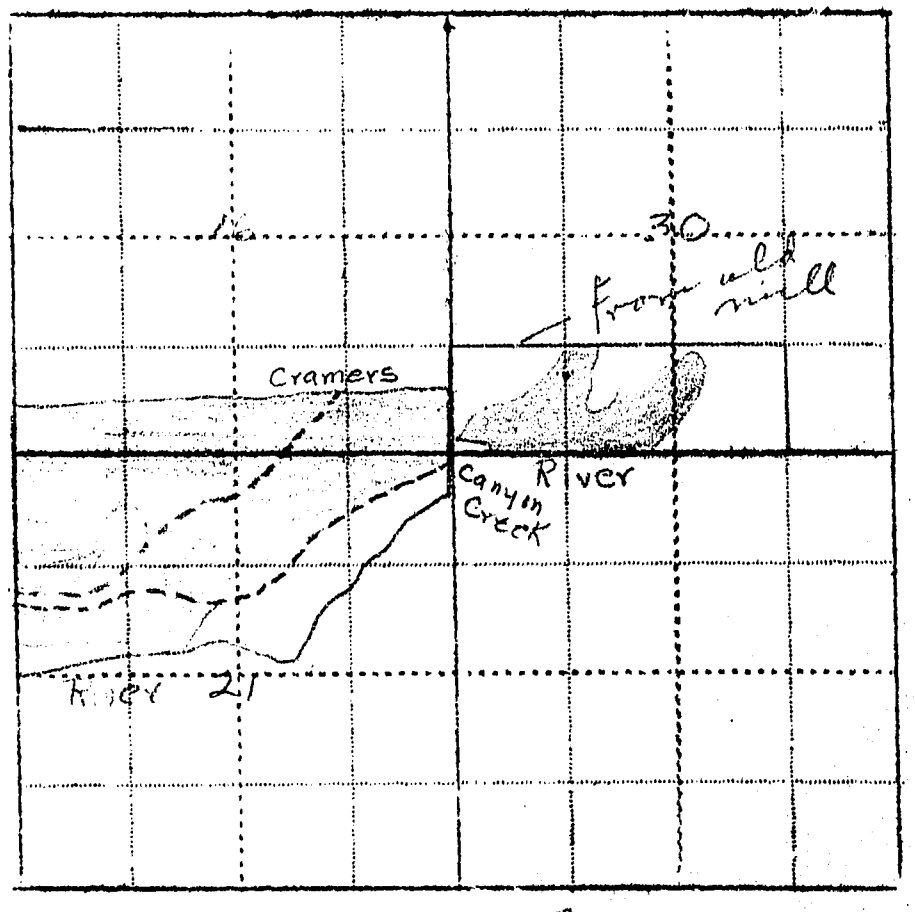


WITNESS: Letter

GJO.

Information by L. A. Nutting

Place Billings Office

Nov. 27, 1942

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County [illegible] Source of Information [illegible] 987

1. Water User [illegible] Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Old Mill, Cramer, Big Ditches Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 51.98

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

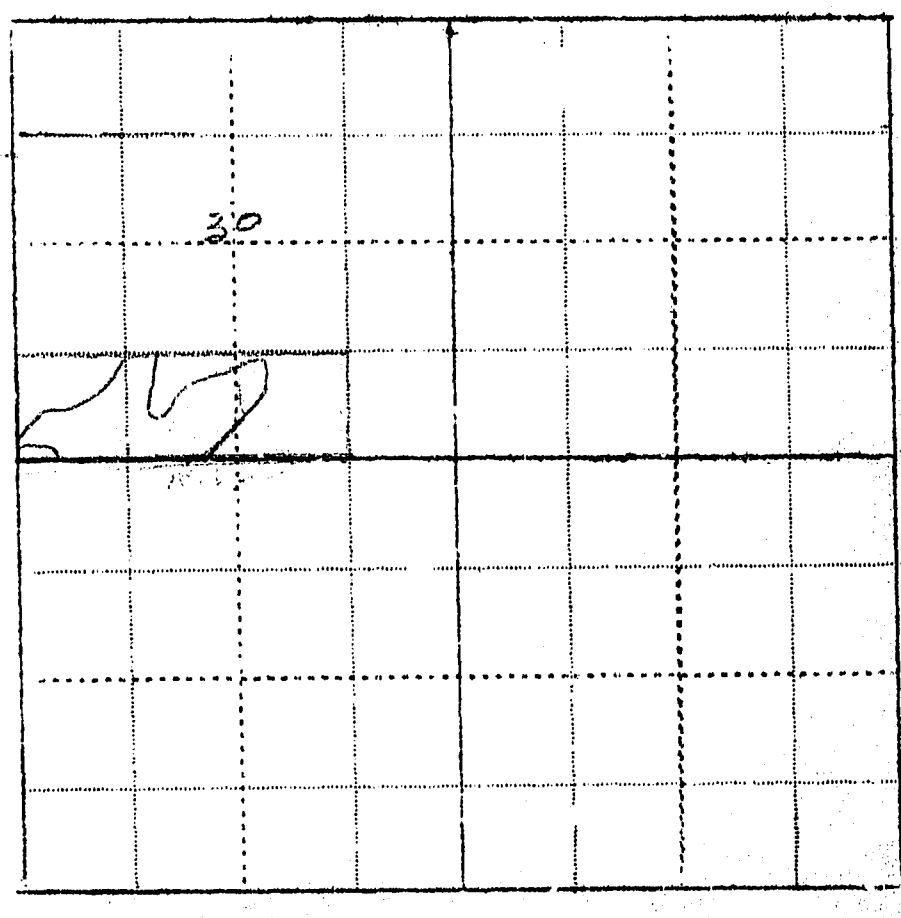
12. Land Description E Sec 25 Lots 4 + 5, SE SW¼, Sec 30, T 2S 2S, R 23E 24E

Remarks: _____

Has 44 shares under Old Mill

Cramer P

8½ shares under Big



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County _____ Source of Information _____

1. Water User _____ Address _____

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

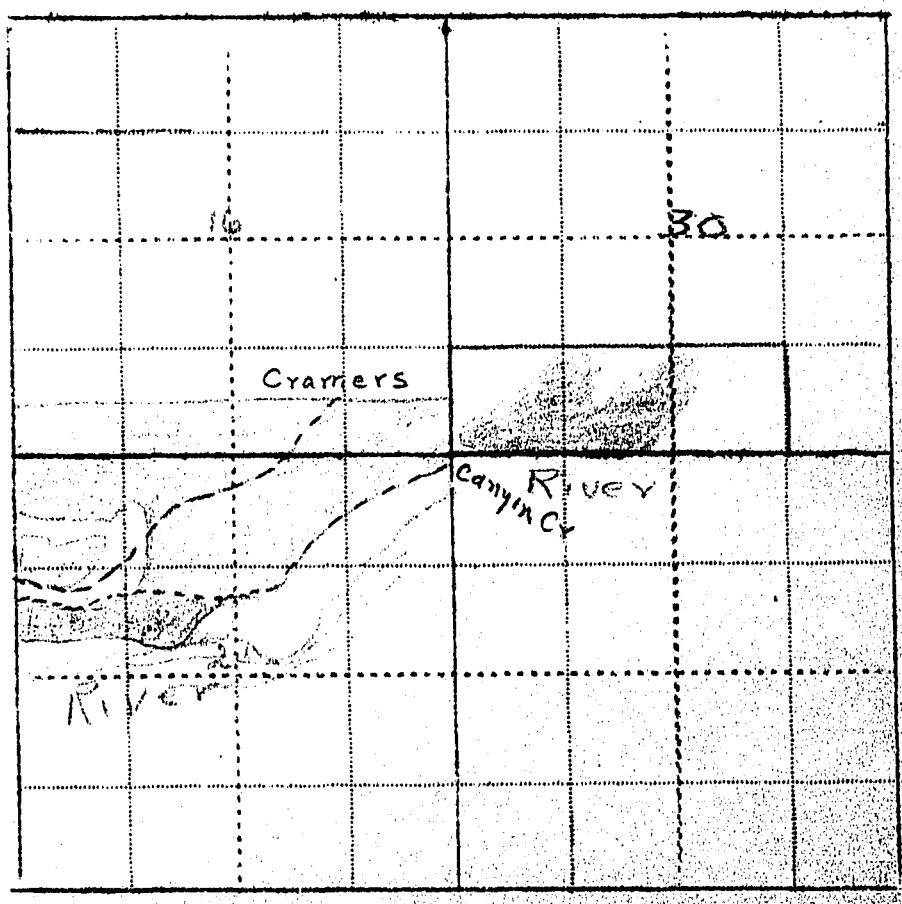
9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 181

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description _____, T 23, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 25, 1942

Mr. L. A. Nutting
523 Alder Ave.
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Nutting:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land that is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate and how many acres under each ditch? Will you please indicate on the enclosed forms the land irrigated under each ditch. How many shares do you have in each company?
If the water for Sec. 30 is diverted by means of a private ditch or pumping plant. we would like to have you answer the questions checked in red on the enclosed forms.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJo/rh

#309 C

Please Do Not Fill in Any Items on This Page

Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 157 Page 323 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Mutting, Taylor & Harris Address Laurel, Mont
3. Date Appropriated Sept. 30, 1932 Date Filed Sept. 21 1932

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ....., Cubic Feet per second 10
* 4. Name of Stream Well, Lot 5 Sec 30, 2S 24E Tributary ..... Basin .....
5. Point of Diversion well drilled about 330 ft north of south line & 330 ft east of west line of Lot 5.

   Sec. 30 Twp. 2S Rge. 24E Bank of Stream .....
6. Purpose Irrigation & other useful, artificial
7. Description of System Dike or flume about 20 ft. long & connect with an irrigation ditch. Ditch 2 ing 3 ft wide at top, 2 ft wide at bottom & 3 ft. deep. Water conveyed to highest point on land where water will be conveyed to & over land by lateral ditches, runs East & South from artesian well

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use Portion Lot 5. Sec 30 2So 24 E

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)
* Artesian water flowing from drilled well

Decree

10. Case No. ..... Date ..... Amt. Decreed: M. I. ..... C. F. S. .....
11. To Whom Decreed ..... Address .....
12. Name of Ditch ..... Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) .....
13. Date of Priority ..... Purpose .....
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed .....

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & Photo

1. Water User Lela Ogura Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Davis ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Box + ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity & loading

6. Original Appropriator Davis ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

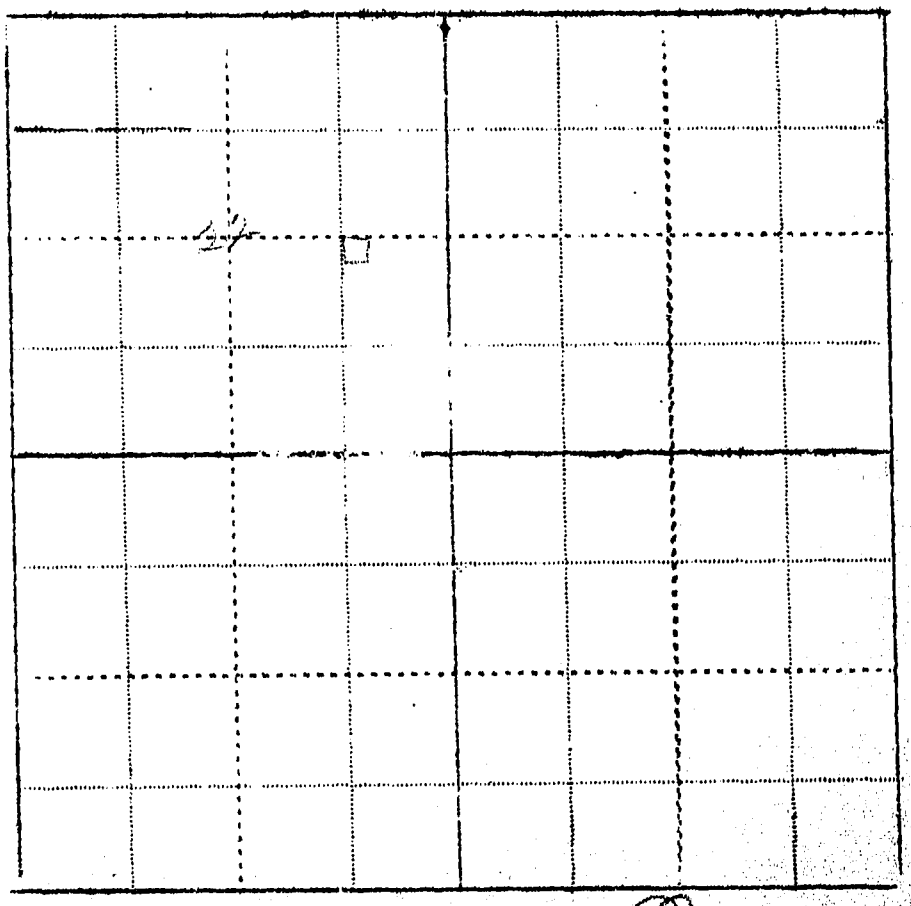
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ~~5~~ 4¾ acres

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible], T [illegible], R 24 E.

Remarks: [illegible] 25 inches in Davis ditch always irrigated Vegetable garden



WITNESS: S. Oravetz Information by Mrs Lela Ogura

Place Billings office

Nov 27. 1942

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County [illegible] Source of Information Ownership, Photo & L.C.

1. Water User Frank O'Neill Address Box 822 - Laurel

2. Stream Halcon Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 10

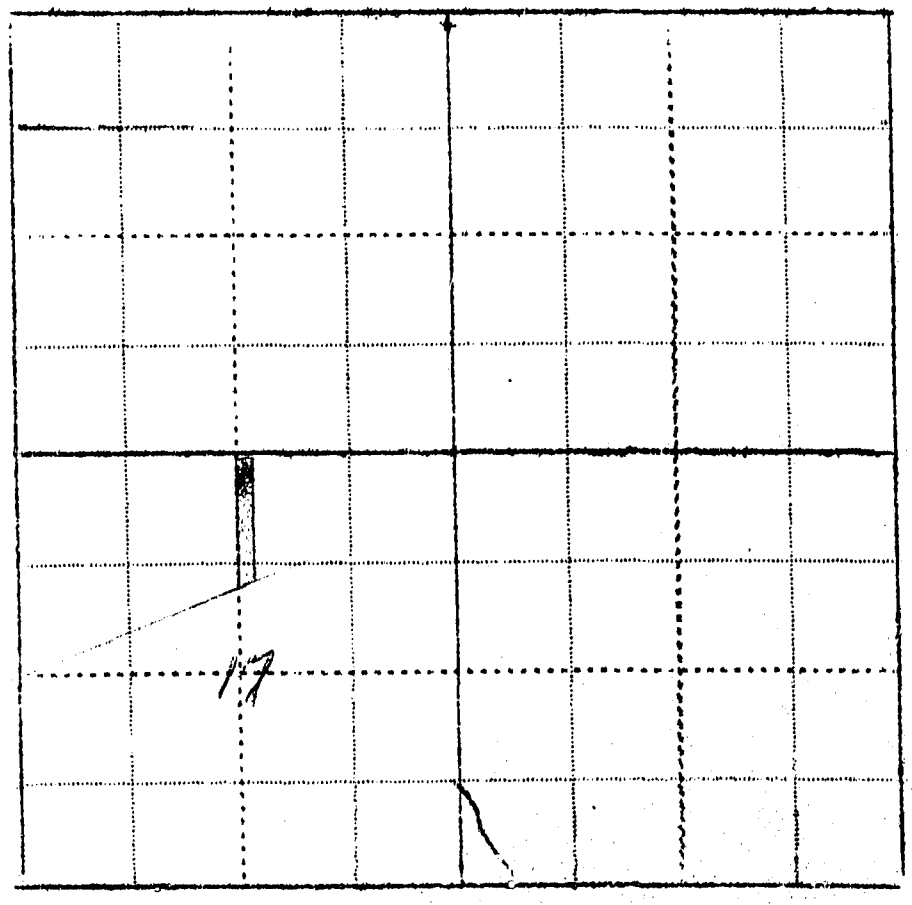
9. Present Use: Year 19[illegible] Acres Irrigated 2 (2 U. present 8 Past. est.)

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible] Sec 17, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 25, 1942

Mr. Frank O'Neill
Box 822
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue, and land that is now idle but that has been irrigated in the past is shown in green.

Second: From what ditch do you get your water for irrigation purposes, and how many shares do you have in this ditch company?

Third: If you have any additional land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same offiddngniwhwhich the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJC/rh
enc.

xxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. Frank O'Neill
Box 822
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

On November 25, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Walter Orndorff Address Laurel Rte 1

2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Ditch & Box

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 8

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

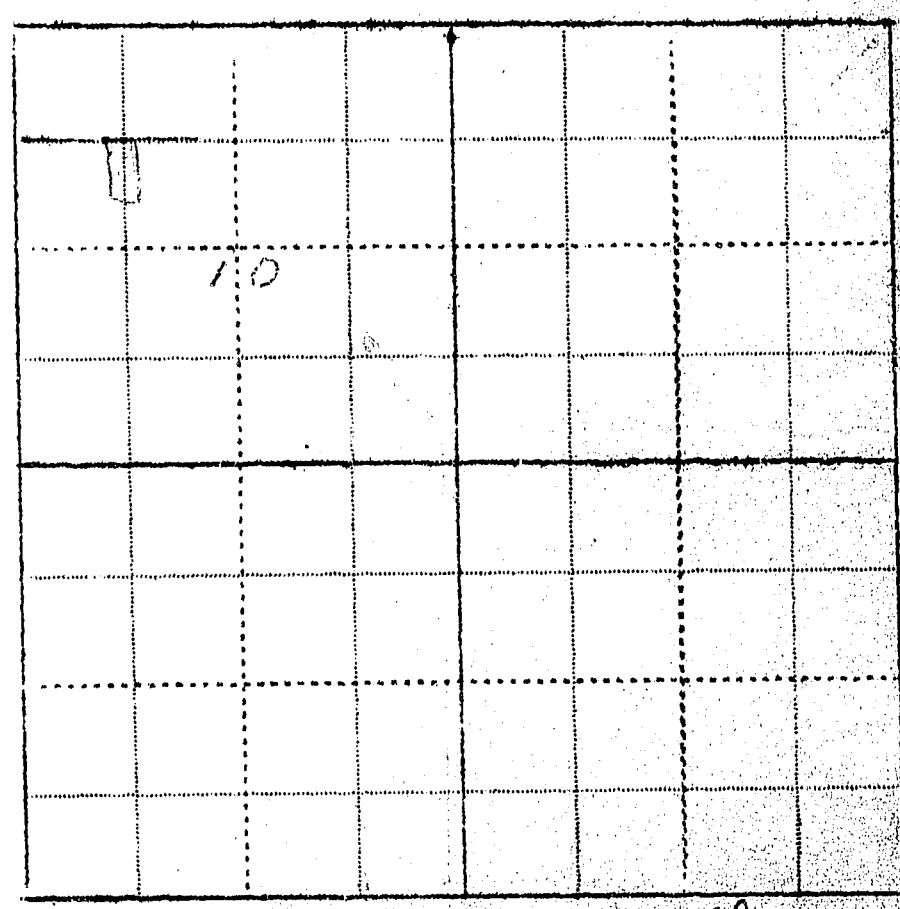
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac S½ N½ Sec 10, T 25, R 24 E

Remarks:

I use irrigation on all 8 acres each year. As I raise garden stuff for the market & Cattle feed

I share Big



WITNESS: Mrs W. A. Orndorff Information by Walter Orndorff

Place Laurel Mont Rt 1

FORM SM-1

10 G.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Walter Arndorff Address Laurel Rte 1

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

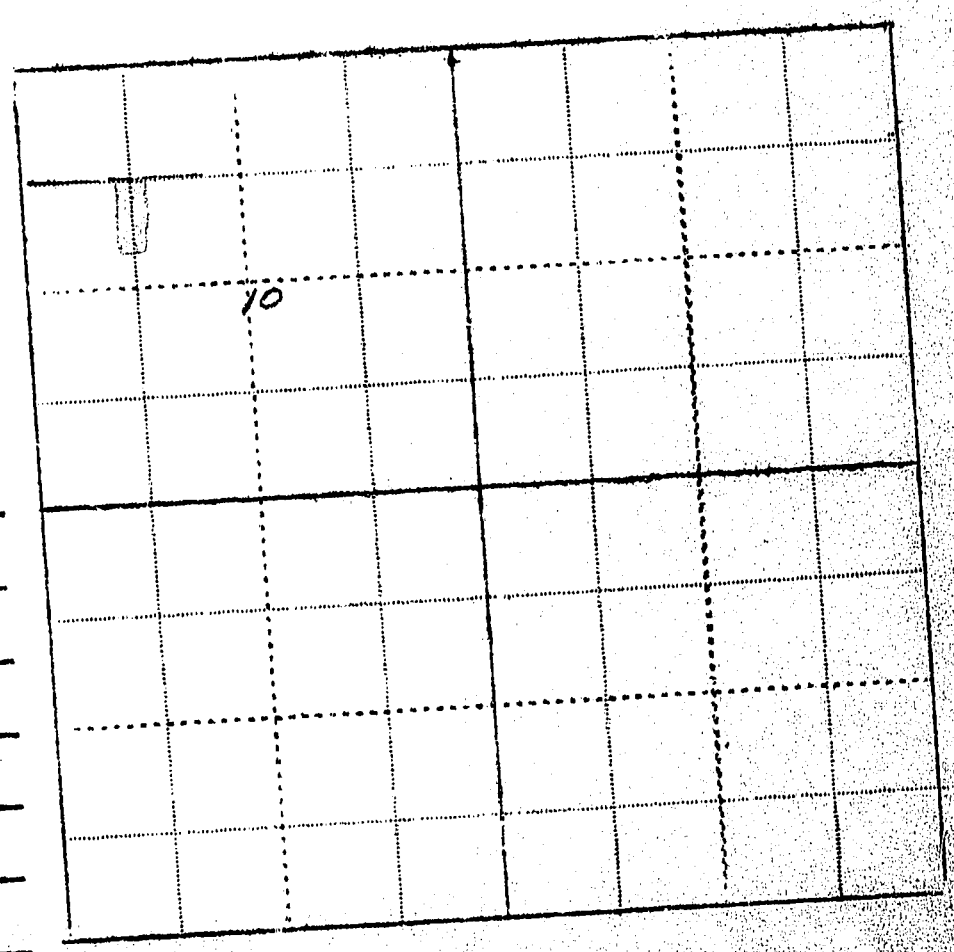
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 8

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Frac S.W. Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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Billings,
Oct. 14, 1942

Walter Orudroff
Laurell, Montana

Dear Mr. Orudroff:

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all the water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water. This survey will cover all water uses and will include water rights established by use only as well as those which are recorded or decreed.

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already complied records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state.

We are therefore asking you to help us. The inclosed form is being sent to you for information pertaining to your use of water on the land therein described. Our records show that you own 8 acres of land in the S½N½ of section 10, Township 2S Range 24 East and that it is all irrigated. The source of water being the Big Ditch.

We would like to know if the above statement is correct. Please write under remarks on the enclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct give us the correct information, and return the form to us. Any additional information pertaining to your land that you may give us will be greatly appreciated.

Inclosed you will find a self addressed envelope which does not require any postage.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very ~~tu~~rly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

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Billings,
November 6, 1942

Walter Orudroff
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Orudroff:

On October 14th we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land. To date we have not heard from you. It is necessary that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

This information is necessary to insure present and future development in irrigation enterprises in the state.

In order to facilitate the work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located.

If this is not clear to you we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownerships & Photo Ditch Co.

1. Water User Gladys Otto Address Laurel

2. Stream Mason Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgates & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Danford Irrig. Dist. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 6.02

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

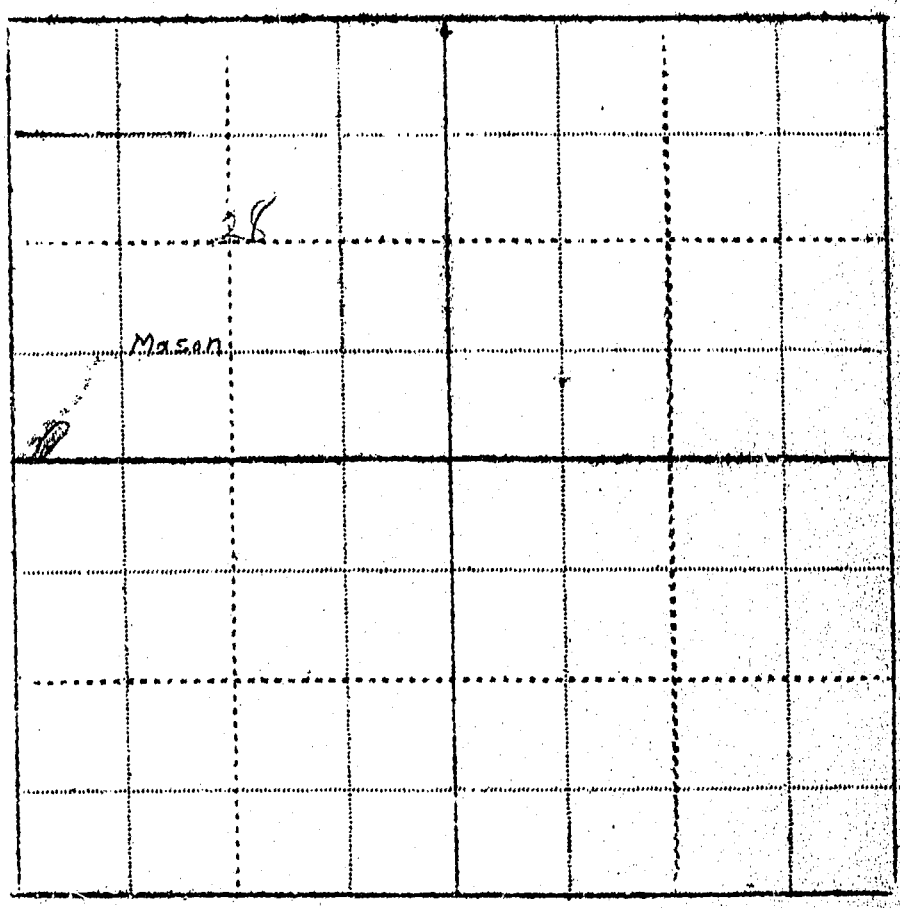
11. Condition of System Good.

12. Land Description Frac SWSW¼ Sec 28, T 28, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Has 6.02 Shares in Mason Canal each share equals 1 acre

Field Check by [illegible]



WITNESS: [illegible]

Information by Observation

Place Laurel

+ ditch co. records

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellow Source of Information Ownership & Plats

1. Water User Ronald C. Packard Address Laurel

2. Stream Italian ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & Intake Co

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 5

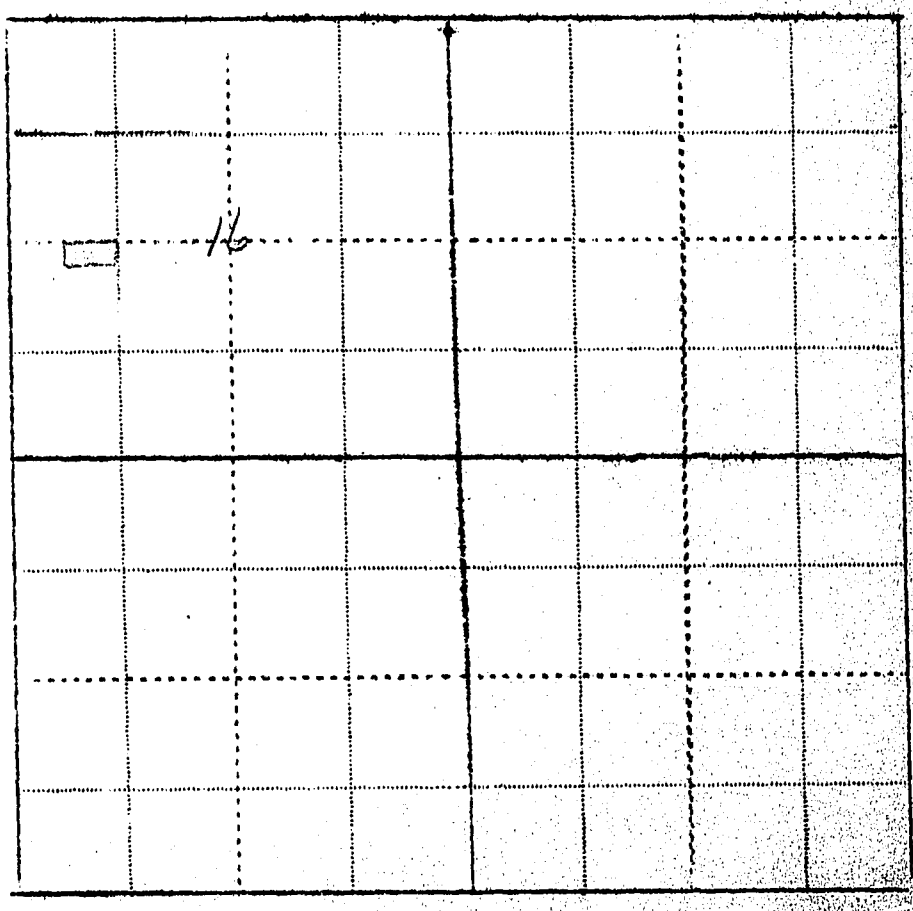
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description W½ NE NW Sec 16, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

2 Shares in Italian ditch is all irrigated from Italian ditch



WITNESS: [illegible]

Nov 25, 1942

Information by Mrs Packard

Place phone Billings office

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Regina Peterson Box 63 Address Laurel

✓ 2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System ditches + headgates

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

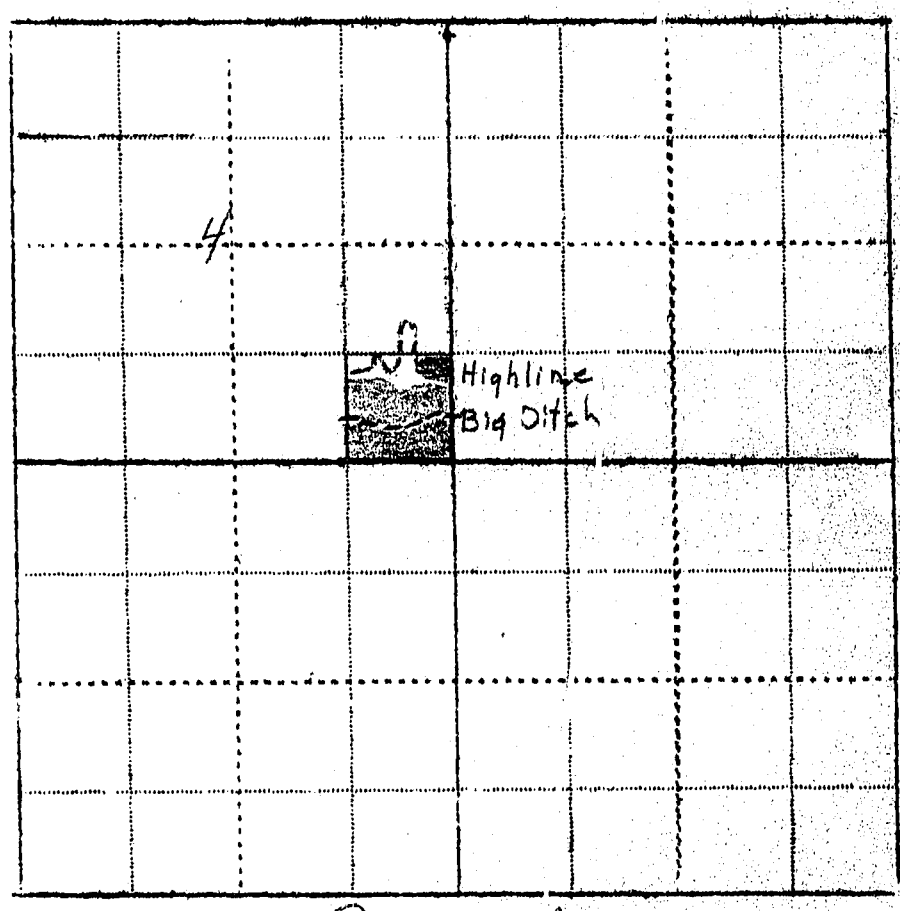
9. Present Use: Year Acres Irrigated Est. 15 Correct

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System of main ditches Poor Causing seepage

12. Land Description SE¼SE¼, Sec. 4, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: has 3 shares in Big ditch and 6 under High ditch 20 acres of seeped lands.



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Regina Peterson

Place Laurel

STATE OF MONTANA

STATE ENGINEER

Billings,
~~HELENA~~, MONTANA
November 24, 1942

Miss Regina Peterson
Box 63
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Peterson:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections on the enclosed form. The irrigated land is shown in blue and land that has been irrigated in the past is shown in green.

Second: If you have any additional land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Qvavetz

Gerald J. Qvavetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Plats of Ownerships

1. Water User Regina Peterson Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High ditches Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

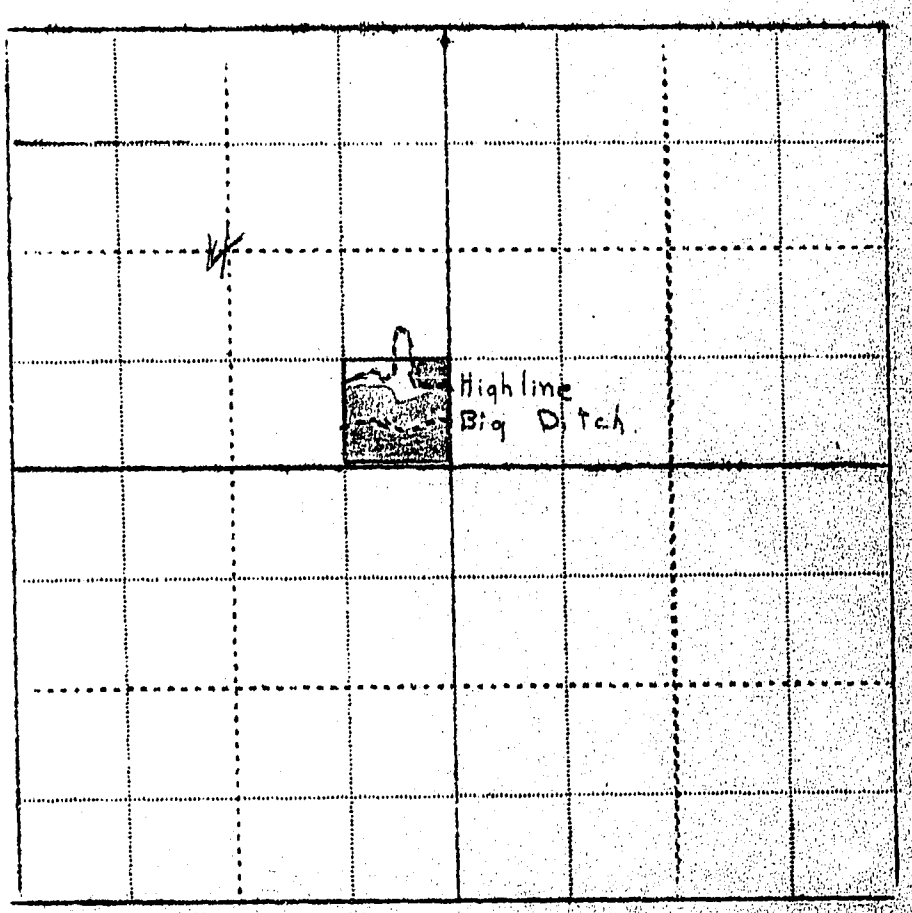
9. Present Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated Estimated 15A

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description NESE Sec 11, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: has 2 shares under Big ditch and 6 under High



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
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November 24, 1942

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Laurel, Montana

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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FORM SM-1

10 I

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

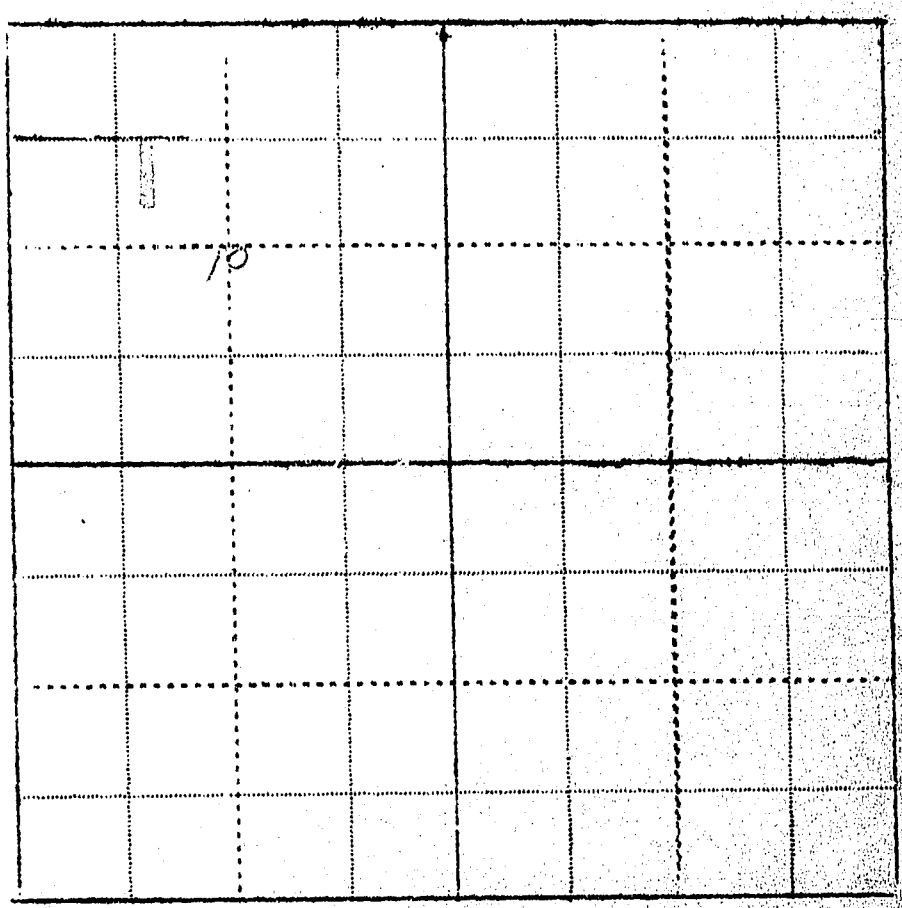
County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User O. V. Pewitt Address Laurel
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Yel'stn R. Basin
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Ditch
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 4 have always irr. 4a.
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Fair
12. Land Description Frac S² NW⁴, Sec 10, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

4a. on west set aside for town ditch runs thru but does not irrigate. Pewitt rents it for pasture

Inf. verified by phone 10/14 '42 has 1 share in Big ditch



WITNESS: Mrs. Booker Information by Phone

Oct 14, 1942 Place Billings Mont.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Frank Platz Address Laurel, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to Basin Yel.

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Danford Irr. dist. Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 55.07

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

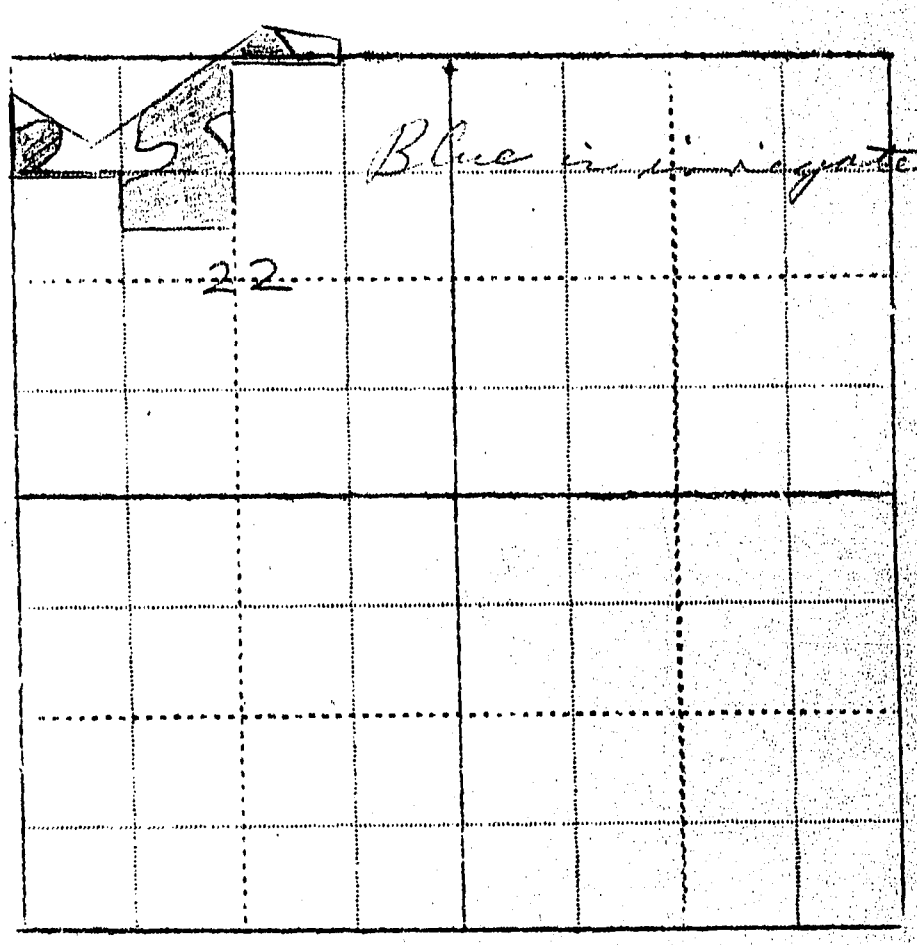
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description N2 SE4 NW4, NE4 NW4 Lot 1 Sec 22 T 2S, R 24E
Lot 5 in Sec 15

Remarks:

Dta 0.1 ∠

54 Shares in Sec 22



WITNESS: Ida May Platz Information by Frank Platz

Place Laurel Mont

FORM SM-1

22 C

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-1054A

1. Water User Frank Platz Address Laurel

2. Stream Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 55.07 ditch Co. record

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

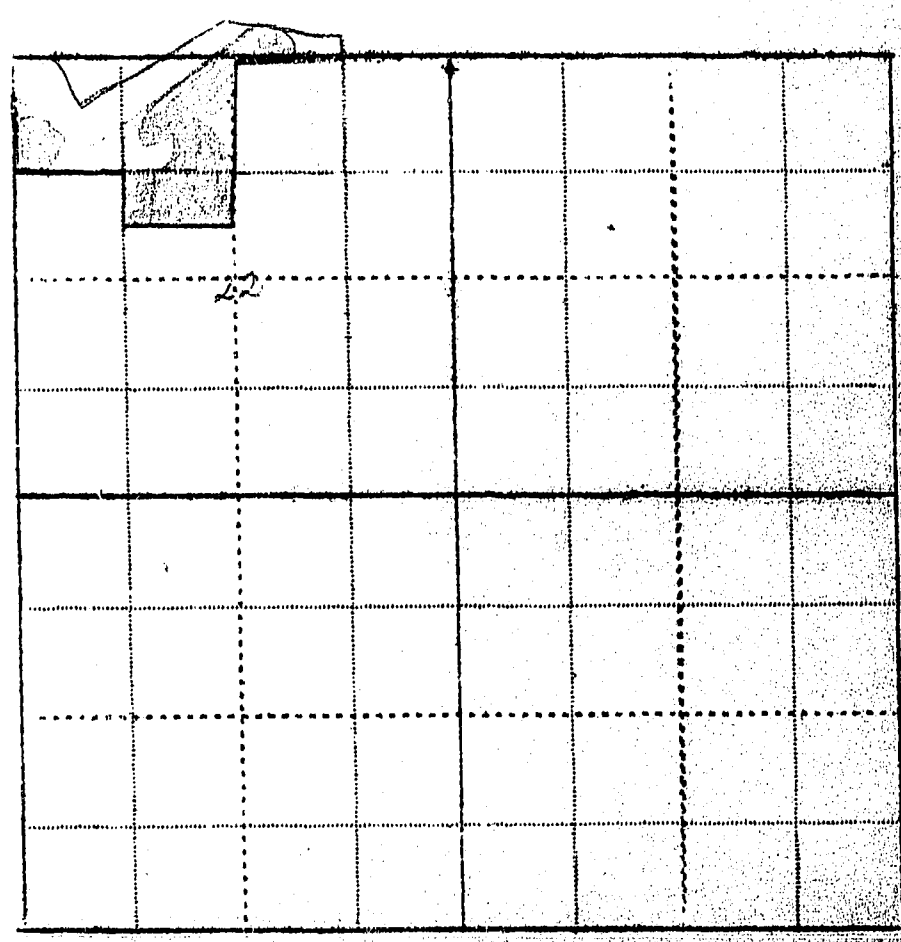
12. Land Description N² S² NW⁴ portion of N² NW⁴ Sec 22 T 2 S, R 24 E

[illegible] N² S² NW⁴, NE NW⁴, [illegible] Lot 1 Sec 22 - Lot 5 Sec 15 - 2 S - 24 E.

[illegible] - S.J.O.

Remarks: _____

OK by Mr. Platz.



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

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Billings,
Oct. 17, 1942

Mr. Frank Platz
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Platz:

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the state Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all the water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water. This survey will cover all water users and will include water rights established by use only as well as those which are recorded or decreed.

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We are therefore asking you to help us. Our records show that you own the N½SE¼NW¼, NE¼NW¼, and lot 1 in section 22, 2S, 24E, and lot 5 in section 15, 2S, 24E, and there is a total of 55.07 acres irrigated from the Mason canal.

We would like to know if the above statement is correct. Please write under remarks on the inclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct give us the correct information, and return the form to us. Any additional information pertaining to your land you may give us will be greatly appreciated.

Inclosed you will find a self addressed envelope which does not require any postage. We are located in the Old Roosevelt School at Billings.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravatz
Ass't Engineer

FORM SM-1 17 H

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership, L.C., Phils,

1. Water User Frank Purcell Address Fromberg, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ Formerly from Italian Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year 1940 Acres Irrigated 10

9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

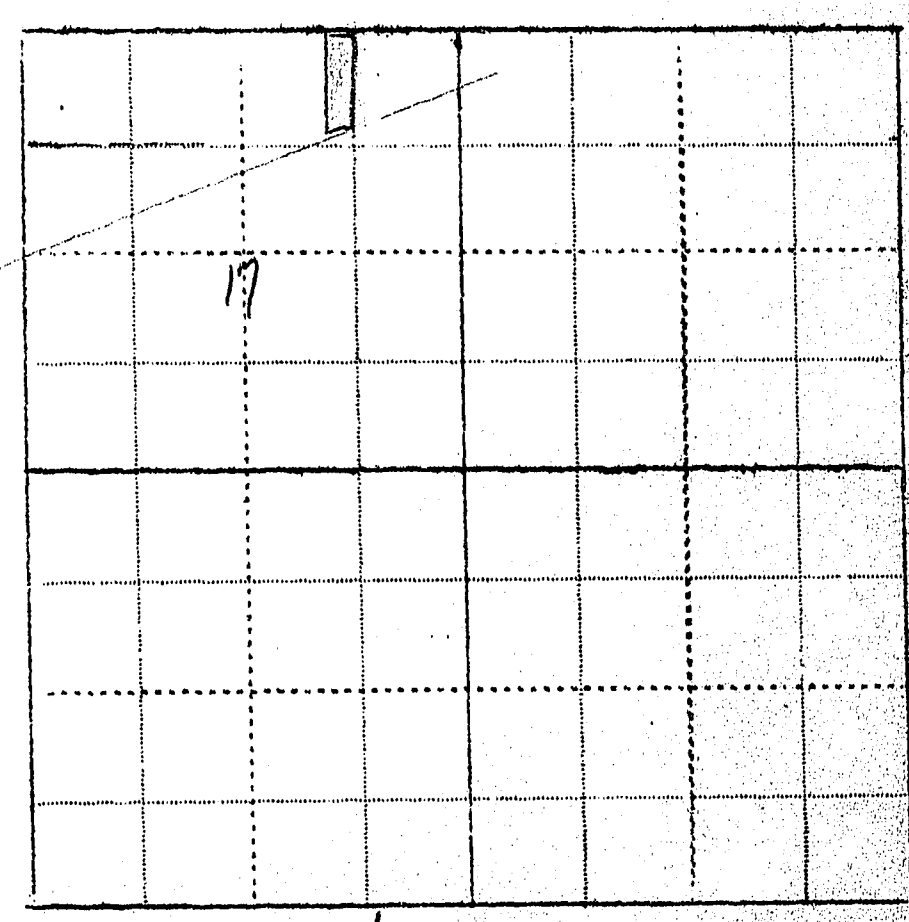
10. Last Use: Year 1940 Why Abandoned 10 no help.

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description _____, T _____, R _____

Remarks: Not irrigated at Present

Field Check by G.J. Ovanek.



WITNESS: G.J.O.

Information by Car + neighbors

Place Laurel

FORM SM-1

Recd Dec 10, 1943

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User B. L. Price Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Cove ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres ~~Irrigated~~

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~80~~ 80

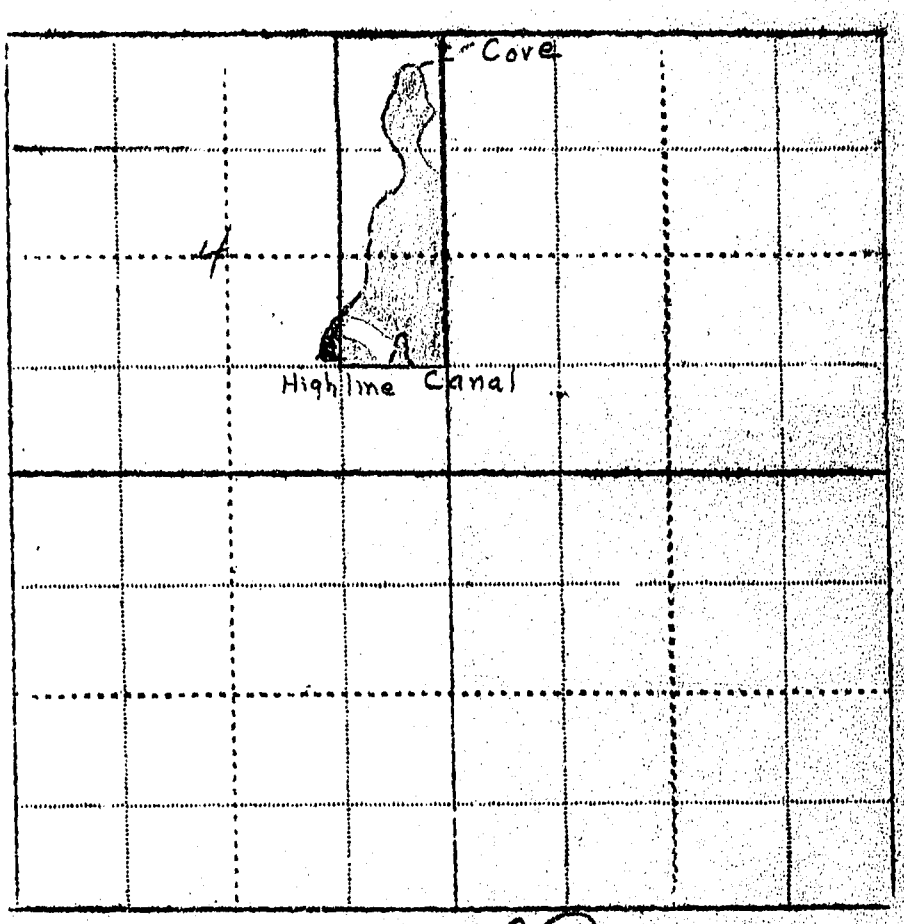
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description Portion of E½E½ Sec. 4, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Plan 66

Cove ditch
also irrigated from
Cove ditch.



WITNESS: Letter Information by B L Price

Place Laurel Mont

This is correct as we can get it

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

David C. Wagner, Laurel
Tenant

County Yellowstone Source of Information AHH. 1057

1. Water User B. L. Price Address Laurel, Wold Bldg

2. ~~Stream~~ Cove ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

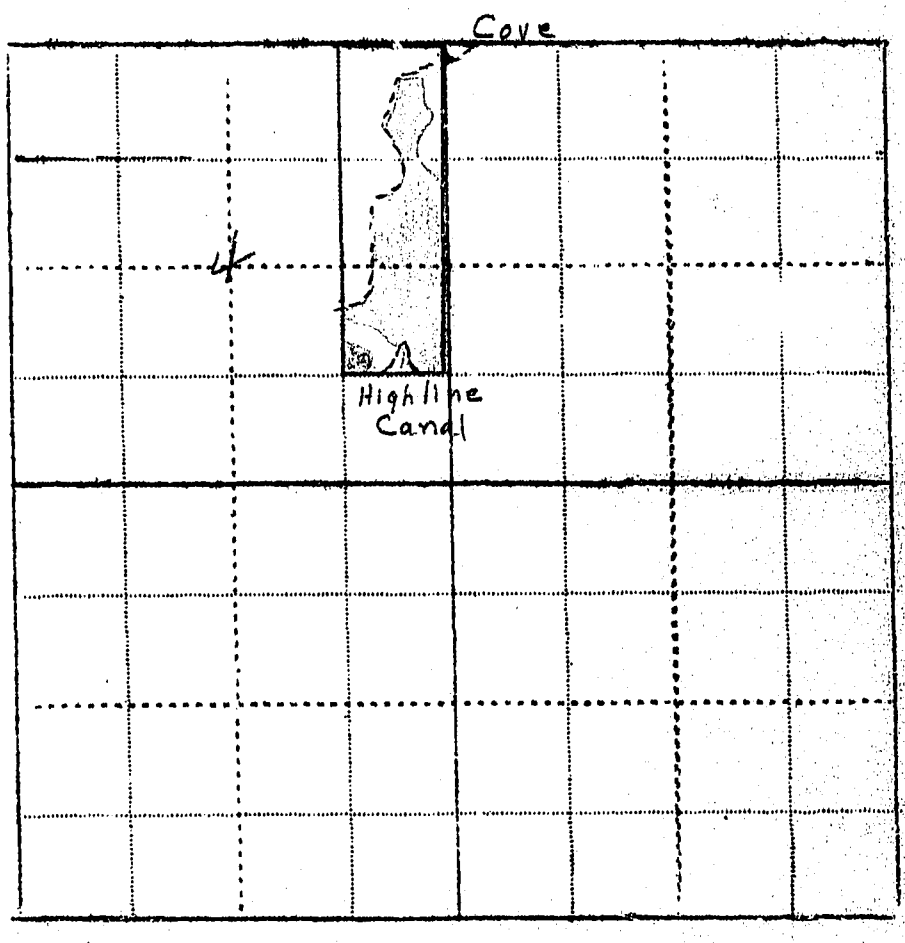
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 83.7

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description portion of E½ E½ Sec. 4, T 25, R 24E

Remarks: Has 66 shares under Cove ditch



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
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November 25, 1942

Mr. B. L. Price
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Price:

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJo/rh
enc.

xxxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. B. L. Price
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Price:

On November 25, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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Billings
March 16, 1943

Mr. B. L. Price
Wold Building
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Price:

On November 25, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pe pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South, Range 24 East. On January 4, 1943 we sent you another letter asking you to submit the information to us as soon as possible. To date we have not heard from you regardigg 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 the State, be investigated. The State Engineer shall, either before or after the bringing of such action (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 direction 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.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1 28 9

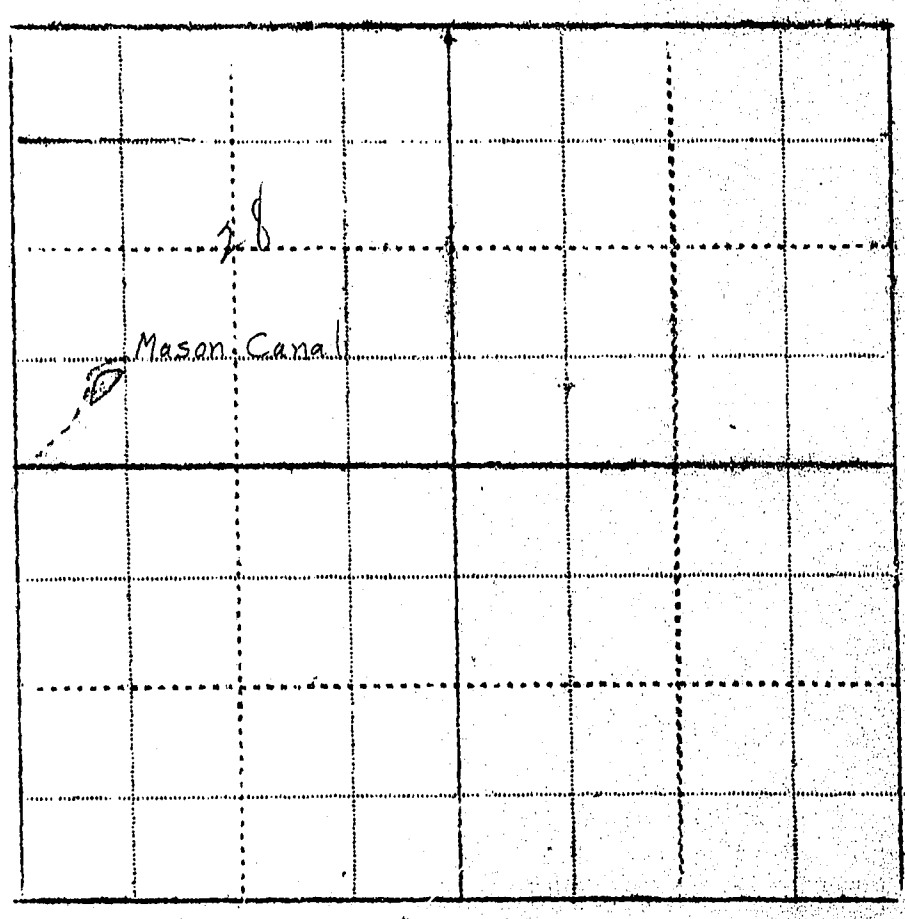
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ditch Co. Ownership + Photo

1. Water User Susan Revoir Address Laurel, Mont.
2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin Yl.
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System ditch
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator E. M. Coombs Address _____
7. First Use: Year 1912 Acres Irrigated ✓
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 3.83
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Frac. SWSW¼, Sec 28, T 28, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Has 3.83 shares in Mason Canal Record correct as stands



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Car + Neighbors

Place Laurel

S.J.O.

Nov. 23 1942

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Also Carbon Co. Book L Page 318 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator E. M. Coombs Address Carbon Co., Mont.
3. Date Appropriated April 1, 1912 Date Filed June 1, 1912

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 3000, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Big Slough Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion A dam across an arm of said river known as Big Slough at a point about 300 ft. east of the intersection of said slough with West line of

   Sec. 2 Twp. 3 So. Rge. 23 E. Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation and domestic
7. Description of System Dam and ditch about 4 ft. wide on bottom, 4 ft. deep and to conduct water to said land by means of said ditch and pumping outfit.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, Sec. 2; NW¼, Sec. 1; Frac. Sections 11 & 12, 3 South 23 East (Not Yellowstone Co.)

   Frac. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 3 South, 24 East (Sec. 6 & 7 not Yellowstone)

   Frac. Sections 28, 29, 31, 32 2 South 24 East
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Transcribed from Water Right Record Book 3, page 204 Carbon Co. Records.

   Water appropriated March 25, 1912 (1912)

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User A. W. Richardson Address Route 1, Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Clarks Fork Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgates, Flumes & ditches

5. Type of Irrigation Flood Check

6. Original Appropriator C. F. ditch Co. Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year 1914 Acres Irrigated 160

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 133.0

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

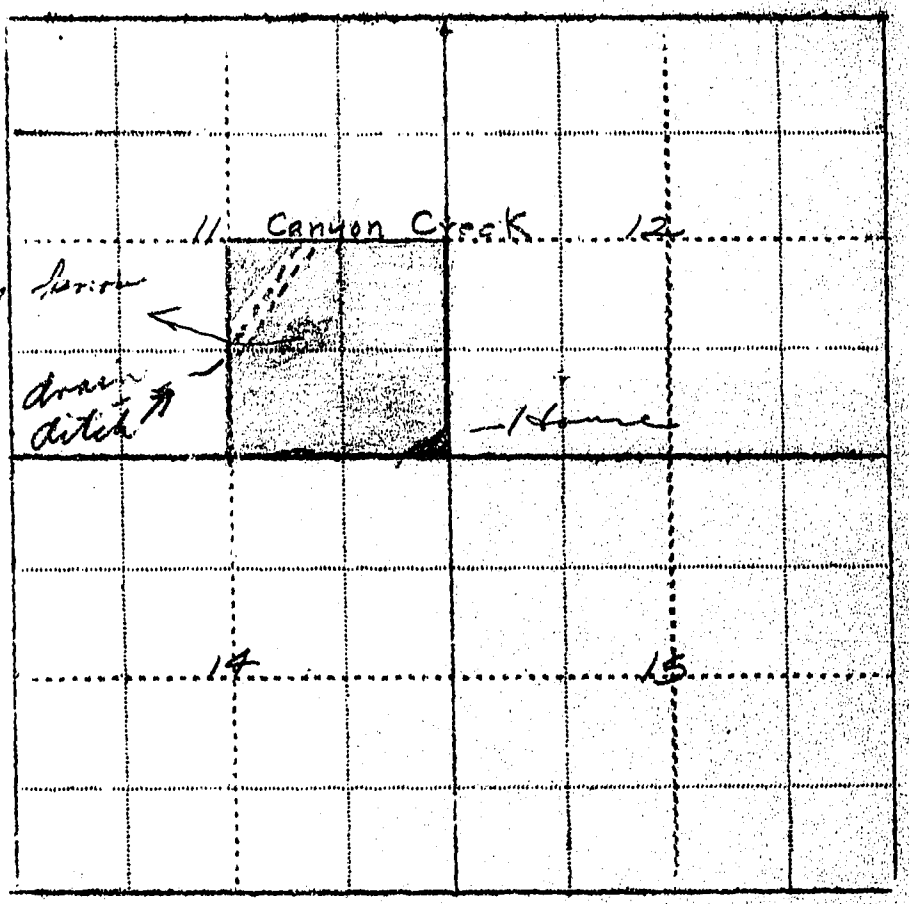
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description SE¼ Sec. 11, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Have 6 shares in Clark Fork ditch

Rocky Point

drain ditch



WITNESS: Lotta S. Owen

Information by A. W. Richardson

Place Billings Montana

Nov. 30, 1942

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A.A.A. #1020

1. Water User A. W. Richardson Address Rte 1. Laurel Mont.

2. Stream ..... Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System .....

5. Type of Irrigation .....

6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated 160 E.C.

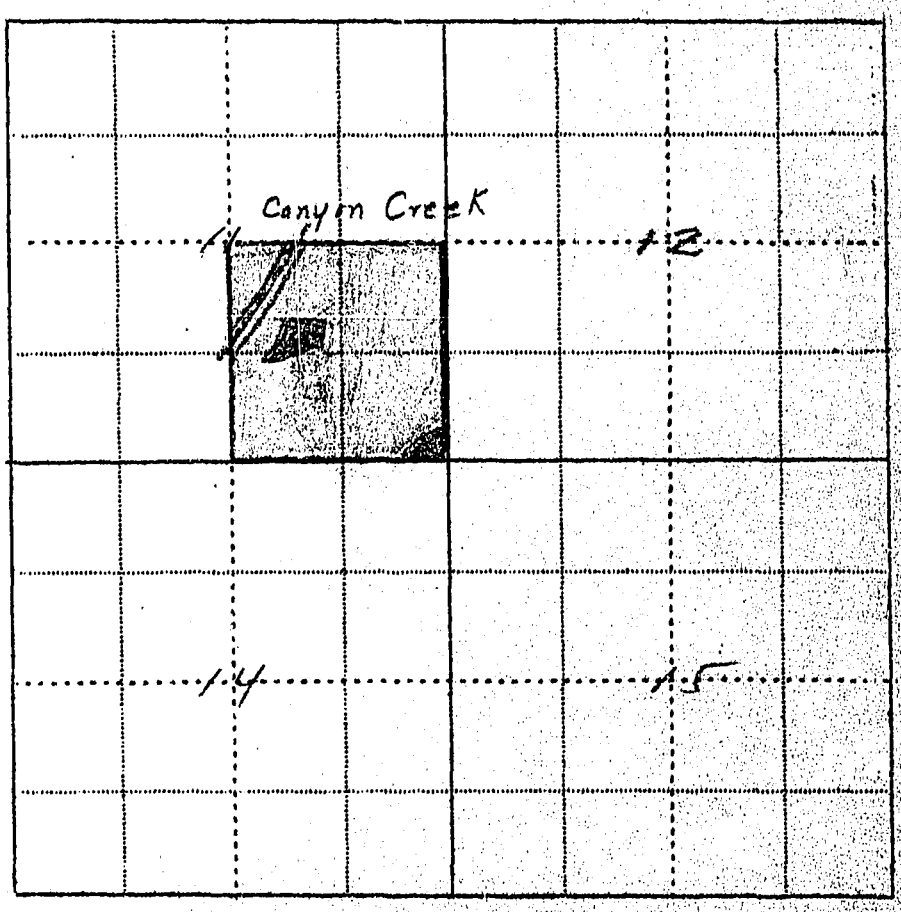
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 133.0

10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....

11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description SE¼ Sec 11, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: .....



WITNESS: ..... Information by .....

Place .....

Billings,
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November 27, 1942

Mr. A. W. Richardson
Route 1, Laurel, Montana

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Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below.
From what ditch or ditches do you irrigated and how many acres under each?
How many shares do you have in each ditch company?
Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land that is irrigated from each ditch.

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Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Mrs. Eva Richardson Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Flume, ditches + headgates

5. Type of Irrigation Flood

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Co. Address

7. First Use: Year ~~Acres Irrigated~~ don't know

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 206.4

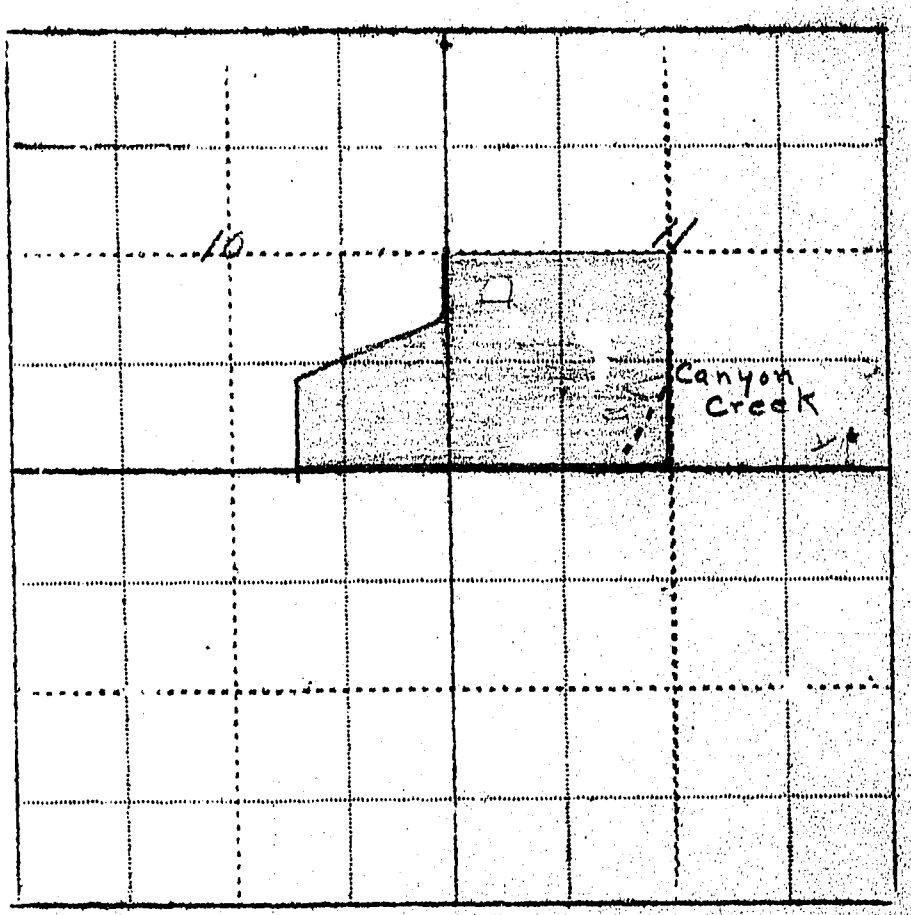
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good,

12. Land Description SW¼ Sec. 11; SE¼SE¼, Frac SW¼SE¼, Frac., T 2S, R 24E
NE¼SE¼ Sec. 10

Remarks:

Has (24) shares
canal Big Ditch
Have 34 shares



WITNESS:

Information by Eva M. Richardson.

Place

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 1067

1. Water User Mrs Eva Richardson Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Clarks Fork Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

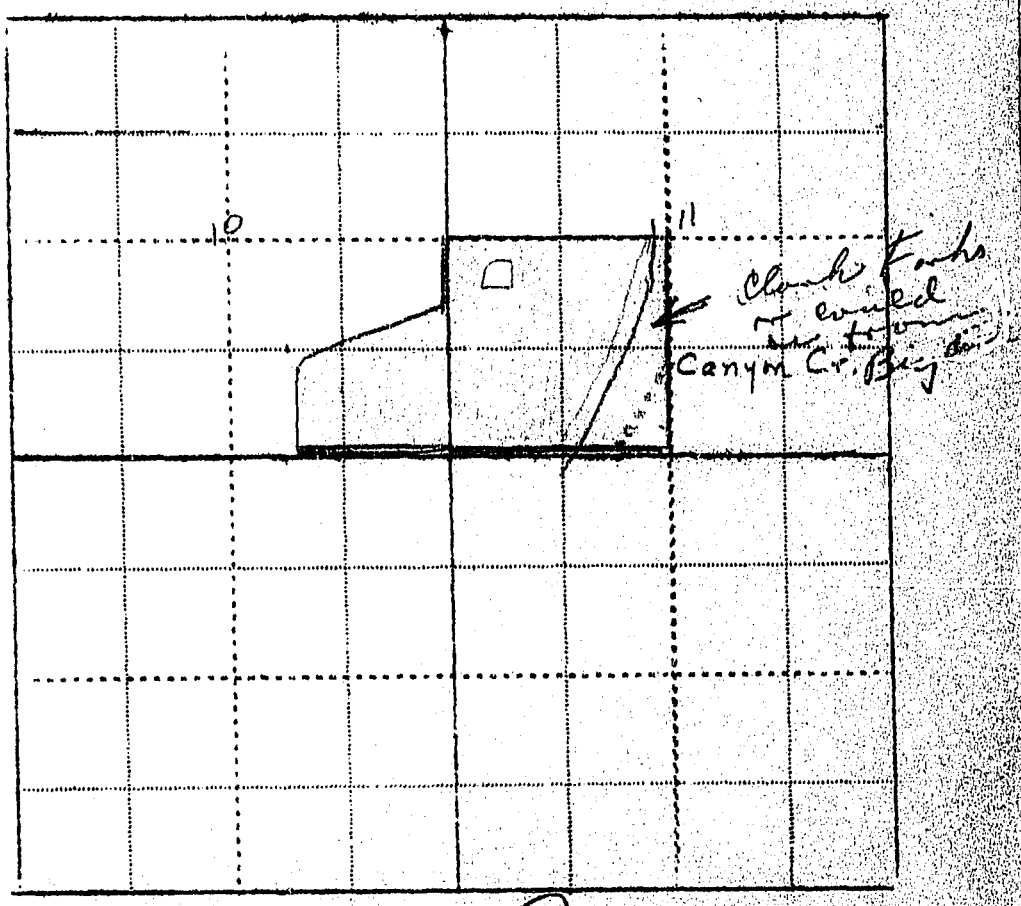
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 206.4

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description SW¼ Sec 11; SE¼ Frac SW¼SE¼, Frac NE¼SE¼ Sec. 10 T 2S, R 24S

Remarks: Has 34 Shares under Big ditch Has 2 shares in Clark Fork Information Correct as shown



WITNESS: G. Oranetz Information by A. W. Richardson

Place Billings Office

Nov. 30. 1942

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 27, 1942

Mrs. Eva Richardson
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mrs. Richardson:

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Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

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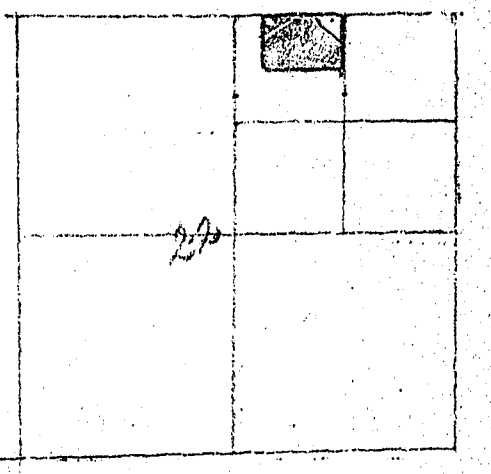
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information

1. Water User J. D. Robinson Address
2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to Basin
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate & ditches
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity flood
6. Original Appropriator Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 10.00
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System good
12. Land Description Frac. NW NE¼ Sec 22, T 2 So, R 24 E

Remarks: 35 shares Davis Ditch.

New owner as of Dec. 30, 1943 is G. C. McMullen Box 838 Laurel now irrigates 14 acres - is still irrigated from the Davis ditch and also has 35 shares Information from G. C. McMullen Billings Office



WITNESS: D. J. Gravity

Information by Ditch Co., Ownership, Photo + Aaa

Place Billings, March 29, 1943

Copy of Laurel Security Form

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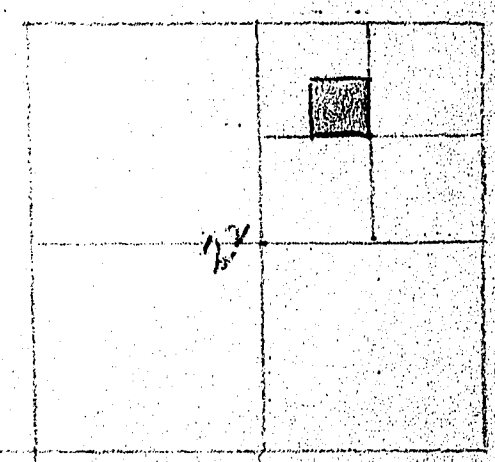
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Carl Rollwitz 90 J. J. Russell Address Box 82 - Laurel
2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to Basin
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System
5. Type of Irrigation
6. Original Appropriator Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
10 9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 10.00
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description NW NE¼ Sec 22, T 2 So, R 24 E

Remarks: J. J. Russell has 25 shares in Davis Ditch



WITNESS: [illegible] Information by Ditch Co - Ownership, Photo + [illegible]

Place Billings March 29 - 1943

Copy of Laurel Security Form

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 1070

1. Water User Paul Ronan Address Laurel Mont. Rte 1

2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Stillwater - Township Range

4. Description of System Headgates + ditches

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~188.1~~ -187

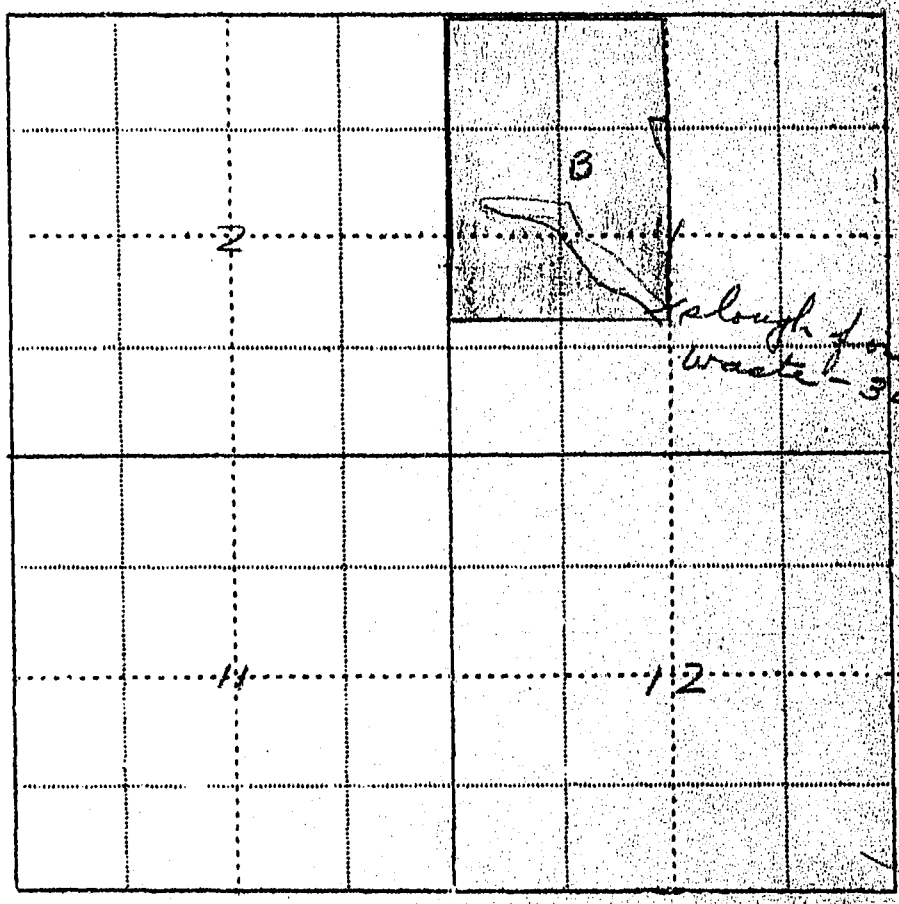
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good,

12. Land Description NW¼, 62A in. N½SW¼, Sec 1, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

50 Shares in Big Ditch
No seepage
gravel near slough.



WITNESS: R. Hatfield Information by Paul Ronan

Place Nov. 30, 1942

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Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 27, 1942

Mr. Paul Ronan
Route 1
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Ronan:

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Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1a

STATE OF MONTANA WATER RESOURCES SURVEY

County Yellowstone Date Jan. 8. 1943

Name of Water User Charles Russel Address Box 181 Laurel

1. Do you own this land? Yes X No ___ If not give the owner's name below:

   Owner's name _____ Address _____

2. Source of Water Yellowstone R. Water delivered by Italian ditch

3. Give point of Diversion SW ¼ NW ¼ 12A (SE½ NE¼ SW¼) Section 16 Township 2S Range 24E.

4. Water is obtained by: (Check one) Gravity ✓ Pumping ___ Other ___

5. Who first used water on this land? L. K. Averill Address Laurel

6. In what year was this land first irrigated? 1896 Approximate Acres 32

7. What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated? 27 Date ___

8. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 27 (Total of 32 acres in farm)

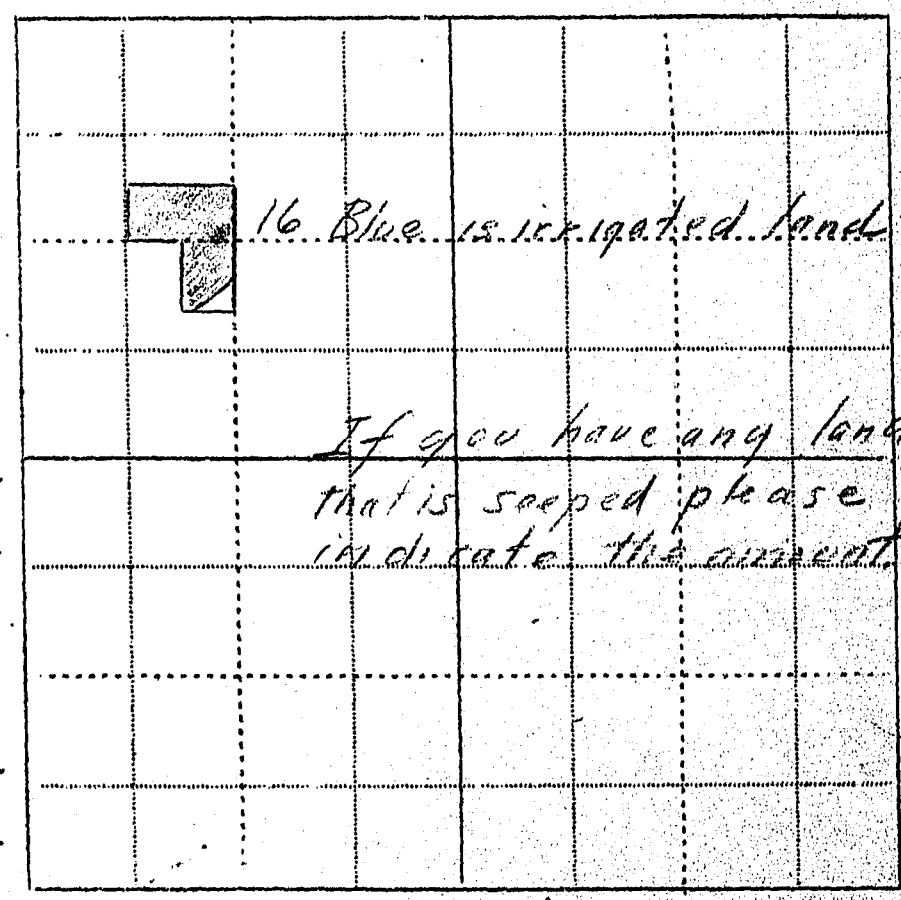
9. If this land is not irrigated now give date of last use _____

10. State the total number of acres that could be irrigated 27 acres.

11. What is the condition of your irrigation system? Good.

12. Land Description: 5 & 5W NW¼, 12A in E½NE¼SW¼ Sec 16 Twp. 25 Range 24E

Remarks: Has 20 Shares in Italian ditch from which the land is all irrigated



Information by Chas Russell Place: Laurel Date Jan 13-1943

Laurel Mont.
Jan 6, -1943.

Mr Gerald J Oravetz.
Billings.
Mont.

Dear Sir:-
In regard to your letter of
Nov. 27-1942, it seems was
destroyed before I had the time
to look at it. I irrigate about
25 A. & have 20 shares in the Stallion
ditch Co. But if you will send
another copy will give it attention
at once.

Yours Truly.
Chas Russell
Laurel
Box 181. Mont.

FORM SM-1 76F

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yistone Source of Information AAA 978

1. Water User Charles Russell Address Box 181 - Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

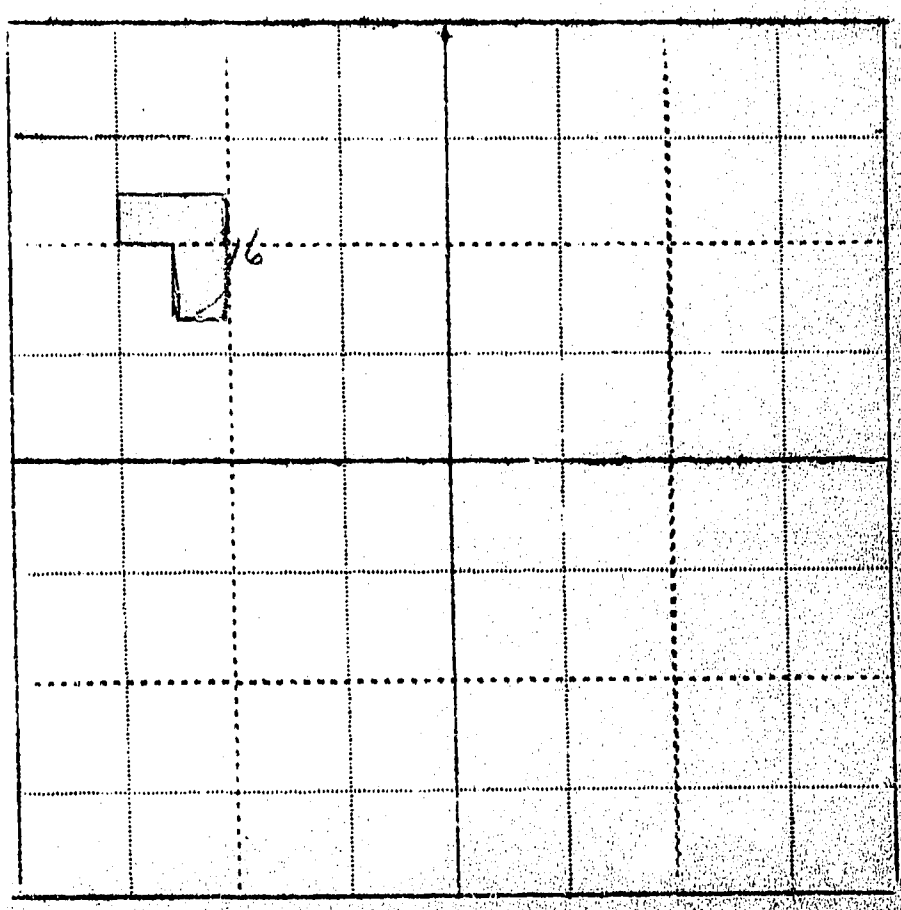
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 27 cropland 30 est from Photo

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description S SW NW¼ 12 Am E NE SW¼ Sec 16, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: has 20 Shares in Italian ditch



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Billings,
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November 27, 1942

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Laurel, Montana

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Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer

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enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. Charles Russell
Box 181
Laurel, Montana

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Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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Please Do Not Fill in Any Items on This Page

Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book C Page 375 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator S. K. Dorcill Address Laurel, Mont
3. Date Appropriated Feb. 27- 1901 Date Filed Mar. 11-1901

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ..... Cubic Feet per second 2½

* 4. Name of Stream Slough + spring Tributary ..... Basin .....

5. 2 Points of Diversion ① near SE corner of Sec 7- ② across natural water course or slough near south line of N.P.R.R. R/W

Sec. ..... Twp. ..... Rge. ..... Bank of Stream South + east

6. Purpose Irrigation, domestic + other.

7. Description of System Dam in slough near SE corner of Sec 7 + a ditch tapping slough on its south bank near dam. Ditch runs south to ash intersection with R/W of N.P.R.R.Co. waters to be carried across R/W thru a natural slough or channel under the R.R. track of said Co. to the intersection of So. line of said R/W where water is (see below)

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use NW¼ Sec 16- 2 So 24 E

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) * About 40 rods east of SE corner of Sec 7- 2 So 24 E also waters of spring flowing into a slough running SE from spring thru the NW¼ Sec 17- said spring + slough being fed by waste water + irrigation of land lying above the same + from other sources.— Appropriated Feb. 16-1901

Decree

Case No. ..... Date ..... Amt. Decreed: M. I. ..... C. F. S. .....

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User J. J. Russell Address Route 1, Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Davis Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + ditches

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Davis ditch Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~10.0~~ 5.00

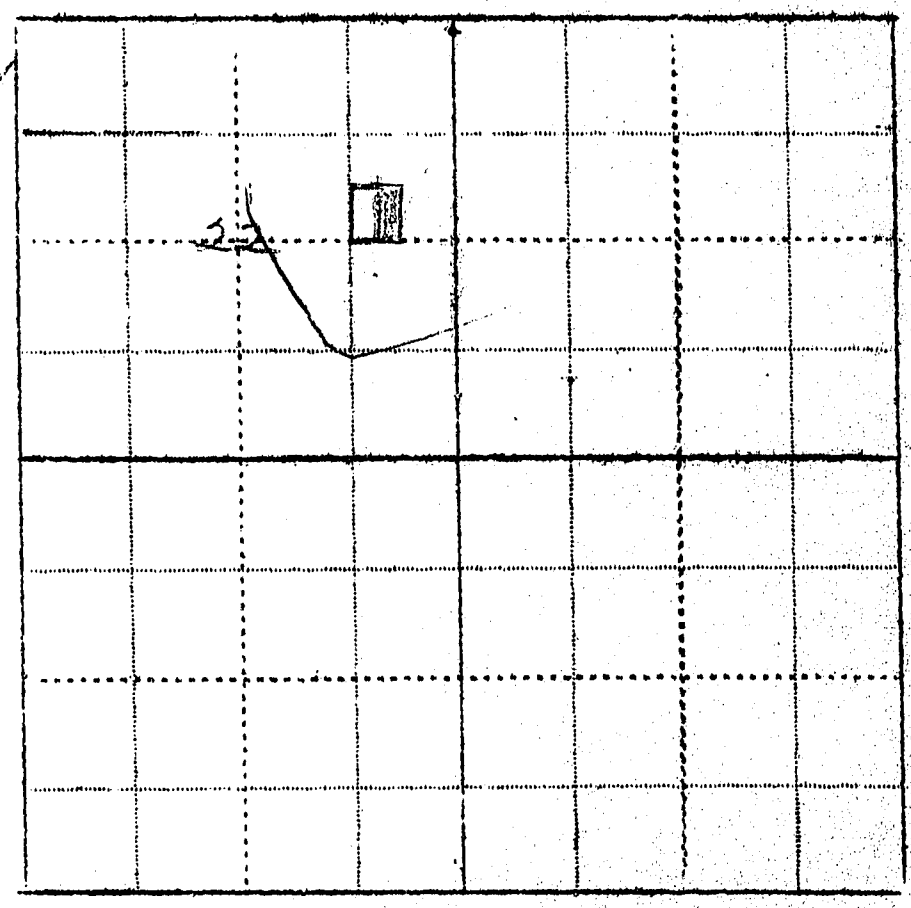
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System good

12. Land Description SW¼SE¼NE¼, Sec. 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Has 25 O.R. inches in Davis ditch - ~~all irrigated~~

1/7/43 - Phone call to Mrs Russell - Only 5 acres irrig - Information incorrect given by Mrs Ogura. M.E.K.



WITNESS: E. J. Orange Information by Mrs Ogura

Place Billings Office

Nov. 27, 1942

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAR 6128

1. Water User J. J. Russell Address Rte 1 - Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

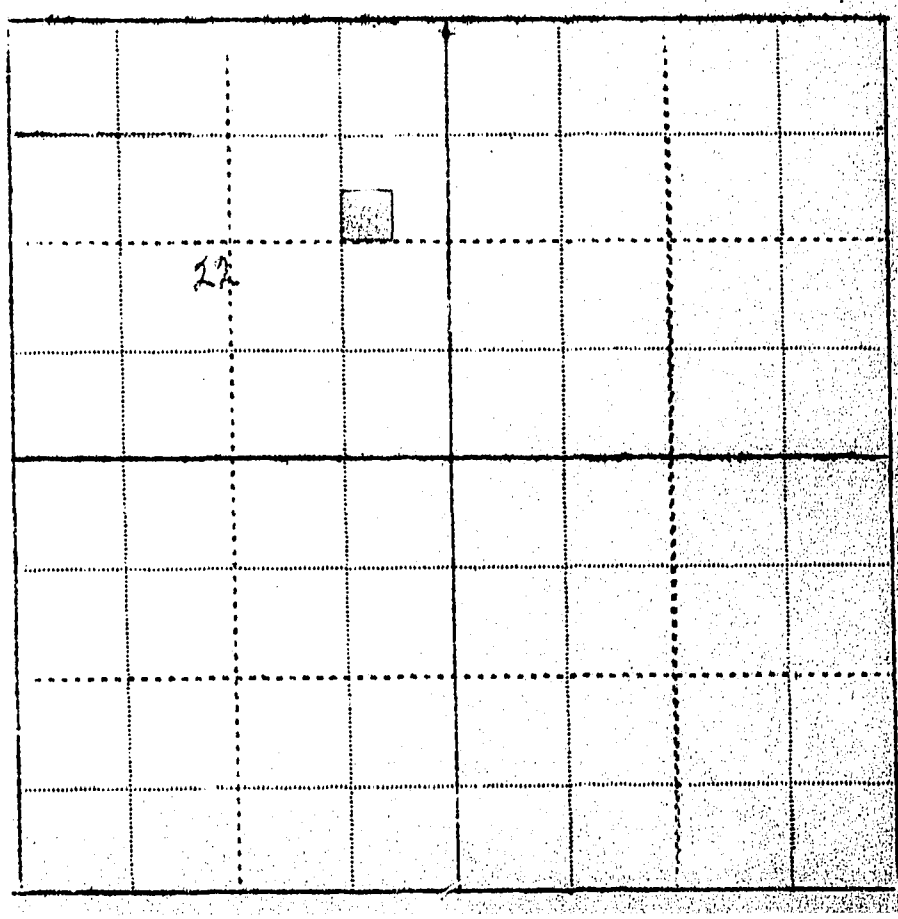
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 10.0

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description SW SE NE¼ Sec 22, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: _____



Billings,
xxxxxxxxx
November 27, 1942

Mr. J. J. Russell,
Route 1,
Laurel, Montana.

Dear Mr. Russell:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota already have collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: From what ditch do you irrigate and how many shares do you have in this ditch?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

James Russell is not farming
Mrs J. L. Forsyths place. now he did in
1940.
we are farming it this year.
I am not sure we understand just
what information you want but the
40 we rent from Mrs Forsyth is
irragated from the yellowstone river
part of the 40 is in alfalfa, part
is farming ground. The water comes
through the Davis Ditch. Mrs Forsyth
~~220~~ 225 shares in that ditch I'm pretty sure,
Mrs J. L. Forsyth's address is Roundup, Mont.
If you want any more information
you can write us, or phone us
0301-R-4 Laurel- (we have a phone)

James Russell is our son and does not
farm now. he is carman on N. P. R. R.

Mrs J. J. Russell
Laurel
Montana

R. 1. Box 175A.

STATE OF MONTANA

STATE ENGINEER

HELENA, MONTANA
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. James Russel
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Russel:

On November 23, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Maggie Rubin Address

2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

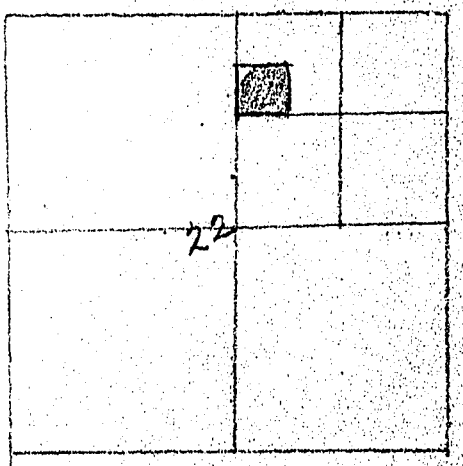
10 9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 7.00

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System good

12. Land Description Frac. Mo N84, Sec 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: 25 shares in Davis Ditch



WITNESS: G J Oravetz Information by Ditch Co, Ownership, Photo + Area

Place Billings, March 29-1943

Copy of Laurel Security Form

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership - Photo & L.C.

1. Water User L. T. Saunders Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate + ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 4.60

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

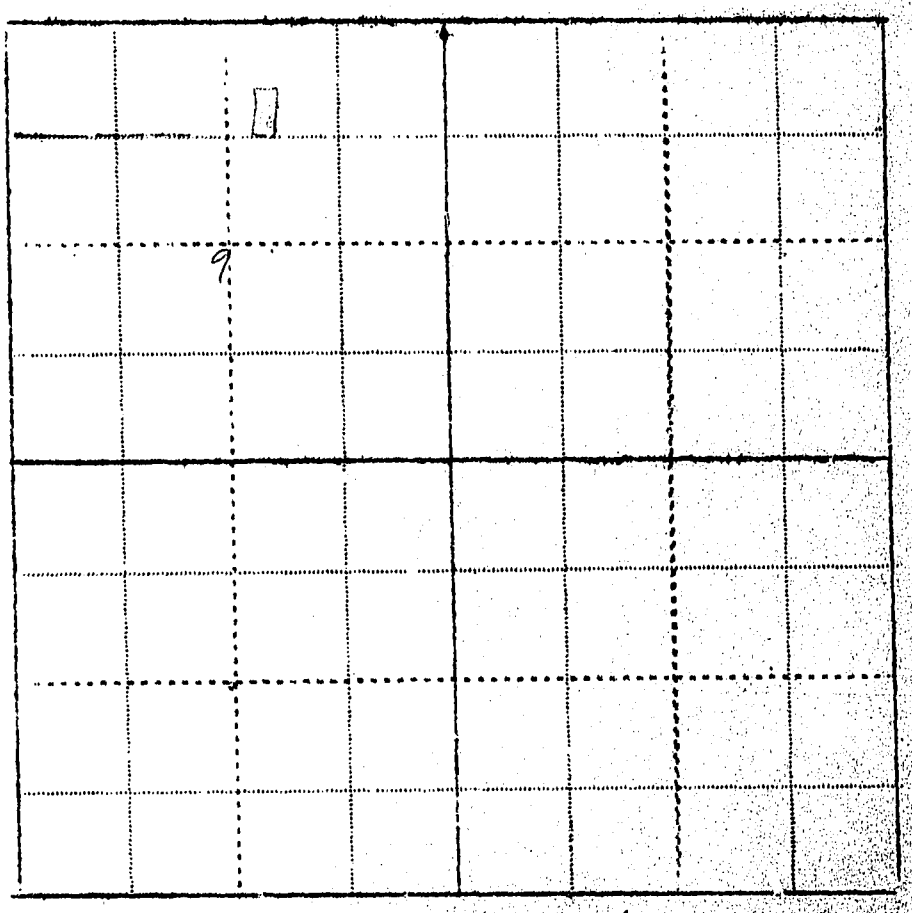
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac. NE¼ Sec 9, T 28, R 24E.

Remarks:

contact by car [illegible]

all irrigated



WITNESS: S. Oranetz Information by Contact by Car Field Check

Place Laurel Montana

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User H. W. Schaff Address Route 1, Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Canyon Cr. Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgates Flumes & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding grain

6. Original Appropriator Canyon Cr. Ditch Co. Address

7. First Use: Year 39 Acres ~~Irrigated~~ 58

8. Maximum Use: Year 40 Acres Irrigated 58

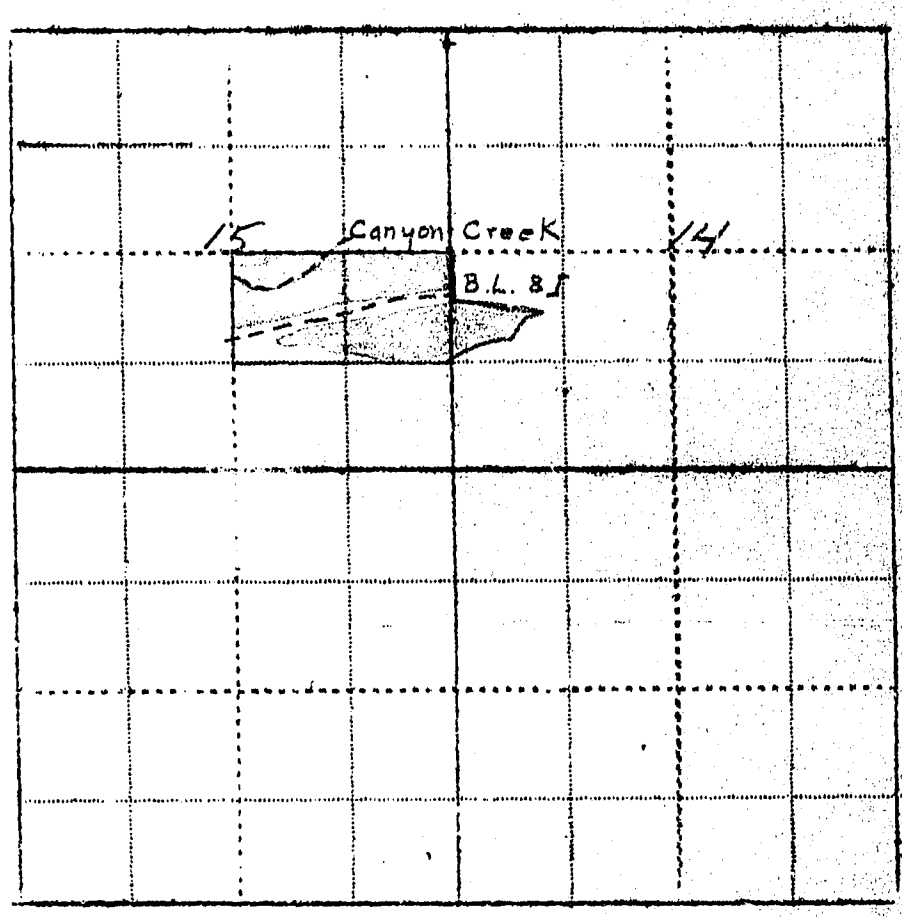
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 58.2

10. Last Use: Year 41 Why Abandoned 58

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Lot 1, 2, Sec. 15, SW¼ of Lot 4 Sec. 14 T 2S , R 24E

Remarks: Has 10 shares in Canyon Creek ditch This is a correct statement of land



WITNESS: Letter Information by H W Schaff

Place Laurel Mont

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-1074

1. Water User H. W. Schaff Address Rte 1, Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Canyon Cr. Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

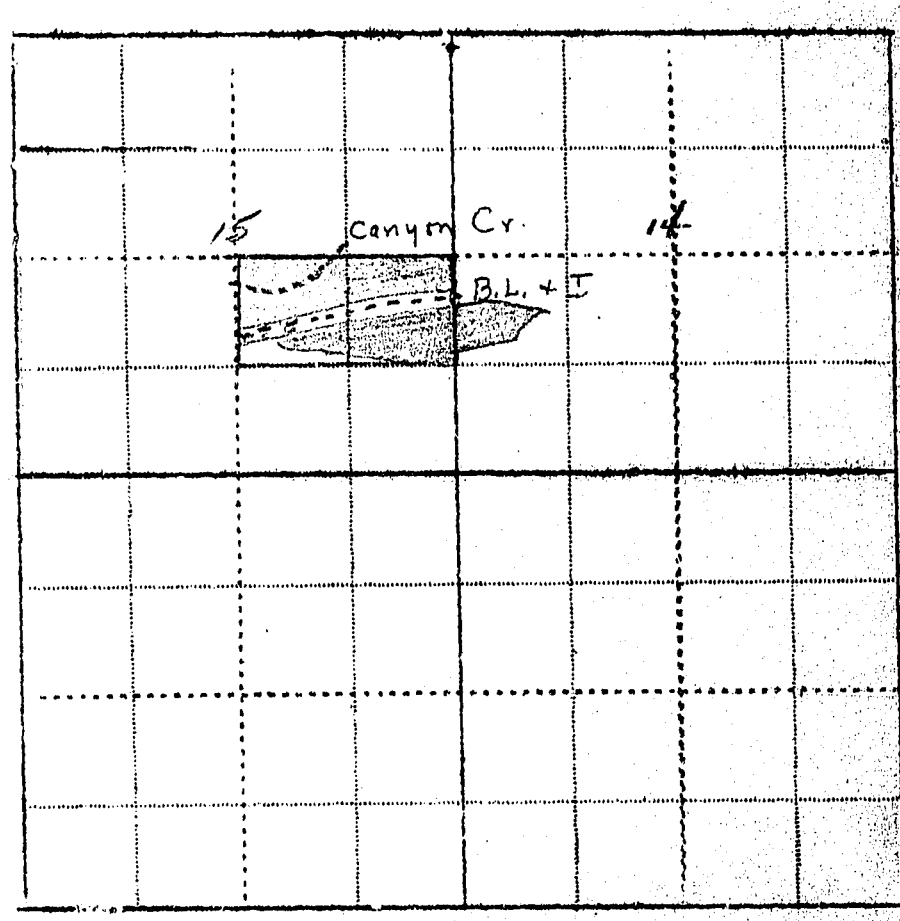
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ? 58.2

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lat 1.2, Sec. 15, SW¼ of Lot 4 Sec. 14, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: Has 10 Shares in Canyon Creek ditch



WITNESS: [signature] Information by _____

Place _____

P. 207

Billings,
xxxxxxxxx
November 27, 1942

Mr. H. W. Schaff
Route 1
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Schaff:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the information necessary to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly from thdse using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land that is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: Our records show that you have 10 shares in the Canyon Creek Ditch. Do you irrigate from any other ditch or ditches? If so, please give the number of shares and acres under each ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 1082

1. Water User Mike Schaff Address Laurel, Mont.

2. Stream Yellowstone Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System 5 inch Pump about 15 foot lift - Gasoline Engine

5. Type of Irrigation Headgate & ditches

6. Original Appropriator John Thusen 1910 Address Billings

7. First Use: Year 1919 Acres Irrigated 95.

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 99.5

10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned Irrigates all of his land.

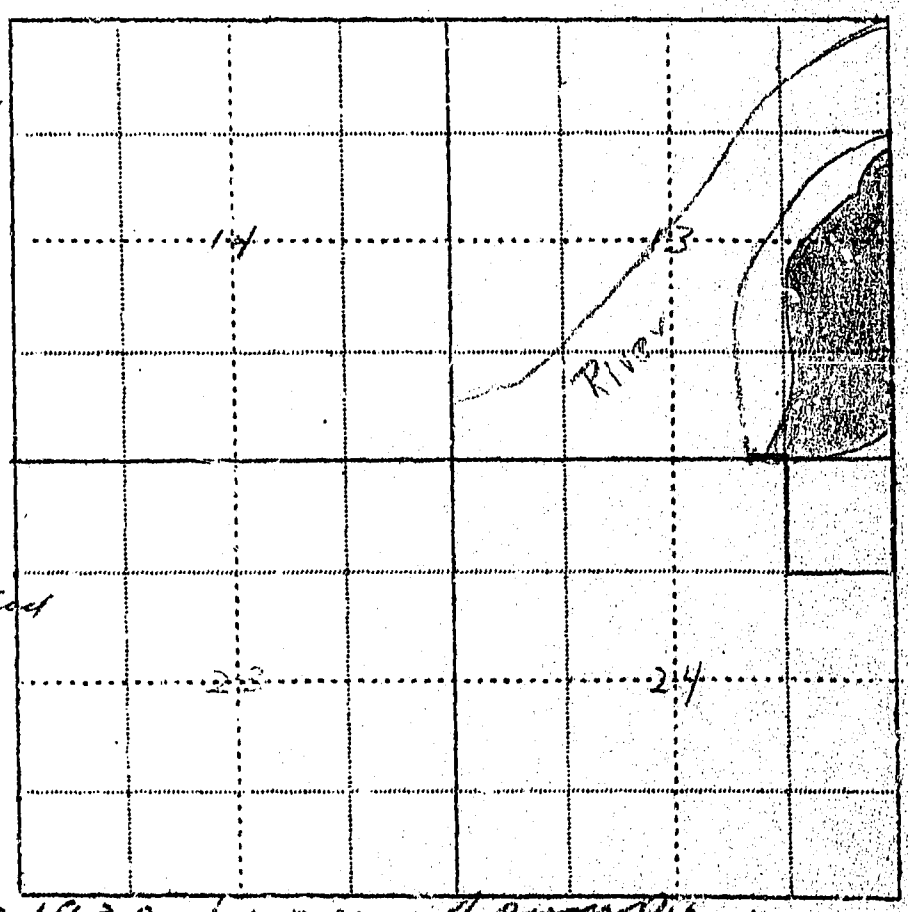
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Lots 7, 8, 9, Sec 13 - NENE; Sec 24, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: Private Pump

5 inch centrifugal use neighbors pumps when water is low. They cooperate on the 3 pumps. No filing in Court house he just uses water. John Thusen Homesteaded land and it was irrigated at that time.

Mike Schaff used water on the place since 1930 - by means of pumps.



WITNESS: [signature]

Information by Mike Schaff

Place Billings, March 17, 1943

Billings,
xxxxxxxxx
November 27, 1942

Mr. Mike Schaff
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Schaff:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the information necessary to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land that is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: Who first used water to irrigate on your land and how many acres were irrigated?
What is the size of your pump or pumps?
What is the greatest number of acres you have irrigated?
Indicate on enclosed map the location of your pump or pumps.
In what condition is your irrigation system? (Ditches, Pumps, etc.)

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelappe. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

xxxxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. Mike Schaff
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Schaff:

On November 27, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, [illegible] Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

Billings
March 16, 1943

Mr. Mike Schaff
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Schaff:

On November 27, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South, Range 24 East. On January 4, 1943 we sent you another letter asking you to submit the information 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 the State, be investigated. The State Engineer shall, either before or after the bringing of such action (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 direction 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.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information UAA 1075

1. Water User F. W. Schauer Address Laurel, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High Cove ditch Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System ditches, flumes, Headgate

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Ditch Companies Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

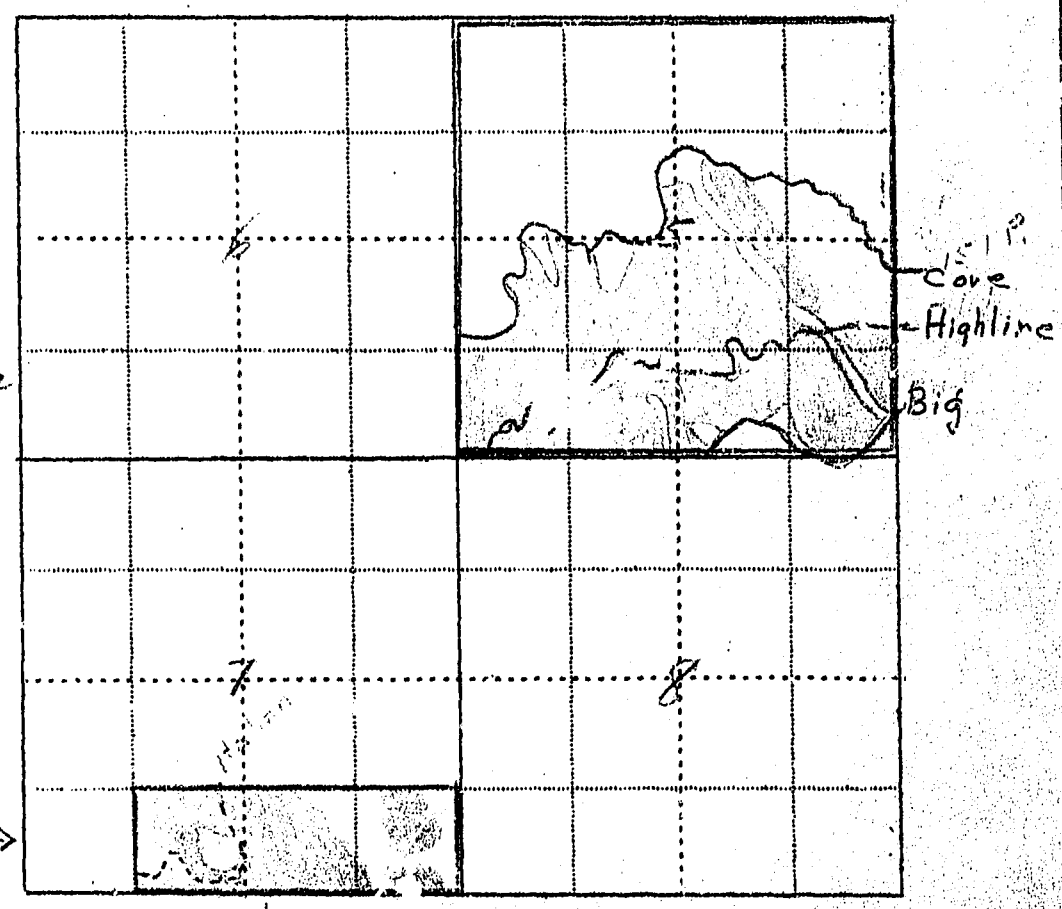
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 285.1

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good,

12. Land Description All Sec. 5, S²SE⁴, SESW⁴ Sec 7, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: Has 30 shares in Big ditch and 20 in High ditch and 42 in Cove Information as shown Correct G. Cranetz Nov 25, 1942



Irrigated by Big Ditch →

WITNESS:

Information by Called by phone F. W. Schauer

Place Billings

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Malone Source of Information Ownership & Photo

1. Water User Marie Schenkelberger Address Albion Shore Hotel, Chicago Ill

2. Stream Italian Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 5

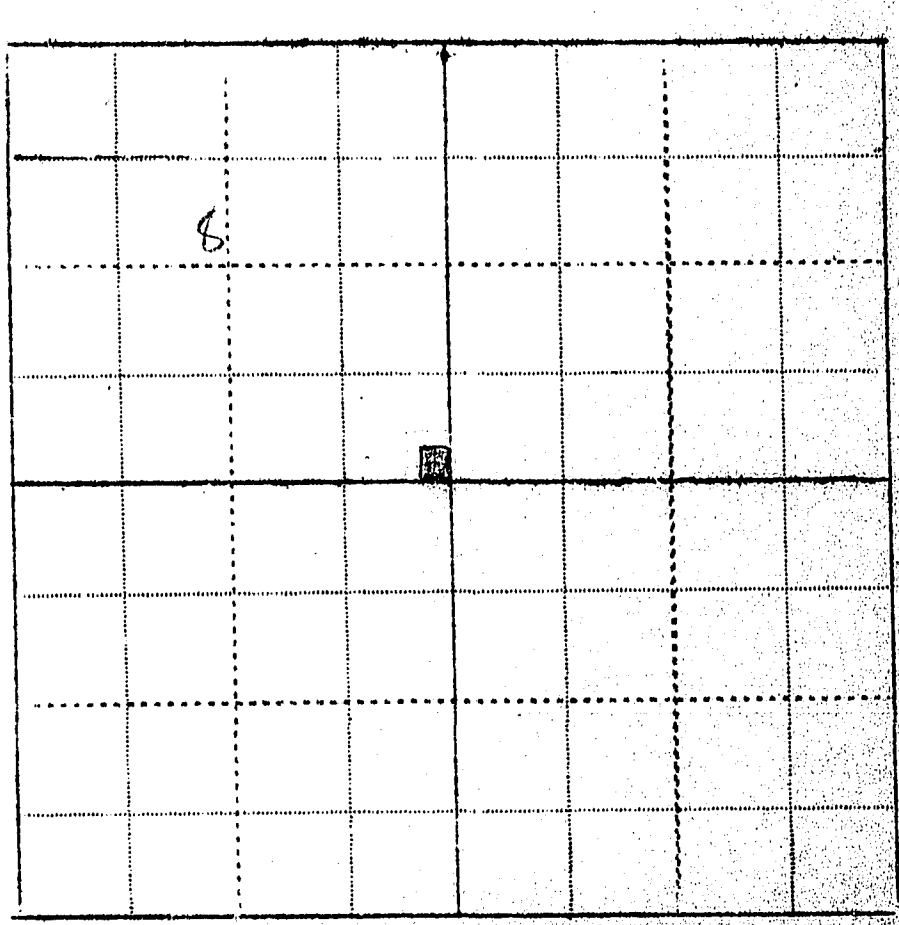
9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible], T 25, R 24 E

Remarks: There is no record under the ditch leg of this land.
See letter attached
not irrigated.



WITNESS: _____

Information by Mrs Schenkelberger

Place Letter - 10/27/42

xxxxxxx
Billings,
Oct. 15, 1942

Marie Schenkelberger
1123 Albion Ave.
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Miss Schenkelberger:

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 549.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all the water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water. This survey will cover all water uses and will include water rights established by use only as well as those which are recorded or decreed.

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state.

We are therefore asking you to help us. Our records show that you own 5 acres in the SESE¼ of section 8, Township 2S and Range 24 E, and that it is all irrigated.

We would like to know if the above statement is correct, and where you get the water you use to irrigate, that is, from what ditch or stream. Please write under remarks on the inclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct, give us the correct information. Any additional information that you may give us pertaining to your land will be greatly appreciated.

Inclosed you will find a self addressed envelope which does not require any postage.

Taking this time to thankyou in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

Albion Shore Hotel
Chicago, Ill.
October 24th '42

Dear Mr. Oravetz,

In answer to your letter received a day or two ago, I wish to say that I am very sorry that I cannot help you with regard to the water used to irrigate the five acres I own in Montana. I only know that I pay the taxes every year in two installments, my husband passed away three years ago, it was he who bought the land, however I do remember his mentioning the Italian Ditch Co, in connection with these five acres, if that will help you in any way, this company may have something to do with the water supply. I am only too glad to give you any further information you may desire about the matter, however I never heard him speak about any irrigation. I have sometimes thought I would like to go to Montana & look the property over, but its a long trip. I think, in fact, I know, that my husband bought these

acres through a man named Young, who at the time, was in Chicago on a visit. I am sure there was no water used on these five acres, as I have heard my husband say that the orchard had died out, & he was buying the acres as a land investment only. I can give no answers to your questions other than this.

I think your description of the property is correct, but as my daughter has all papers in reference to these five acres, & is in California, I cannot be sure, although I think it is. Let me know if I can help you in any other way in this matter,

very sincerely yours

Marie G. Schenkelberger

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Mrs. H. P. Schulze Address Box 842, Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Big ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + Extension

5. Type of Irrigation Contour Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 15

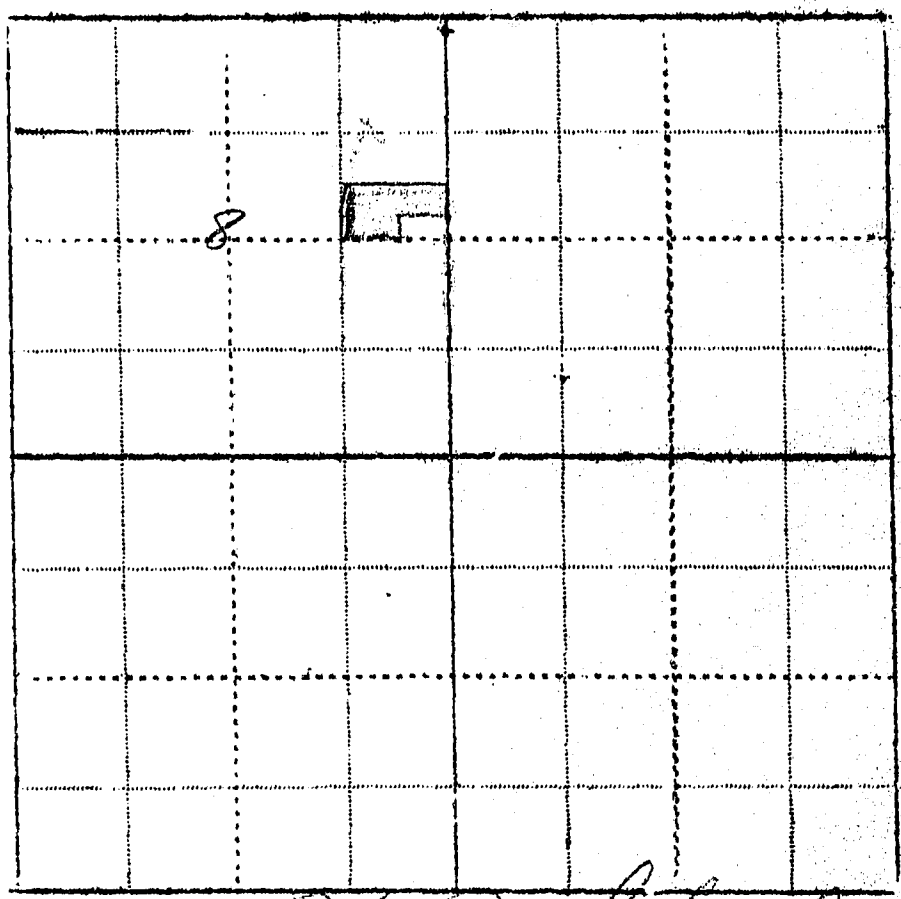
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~15 est~~ 13

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description SW¼SW¼NE¼, NE¼SE¼SE¼NE¼, Sec. 8, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Home 2 shares under the Big ditch Land is all irrigated 2 shares unused



WITNESS: [illegible] Information by H. P. Schulze

Place Billings Office

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County [illegible] Source of Information [illegible] 3123

1. Water User [illegible] Address [illegible] 842 Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

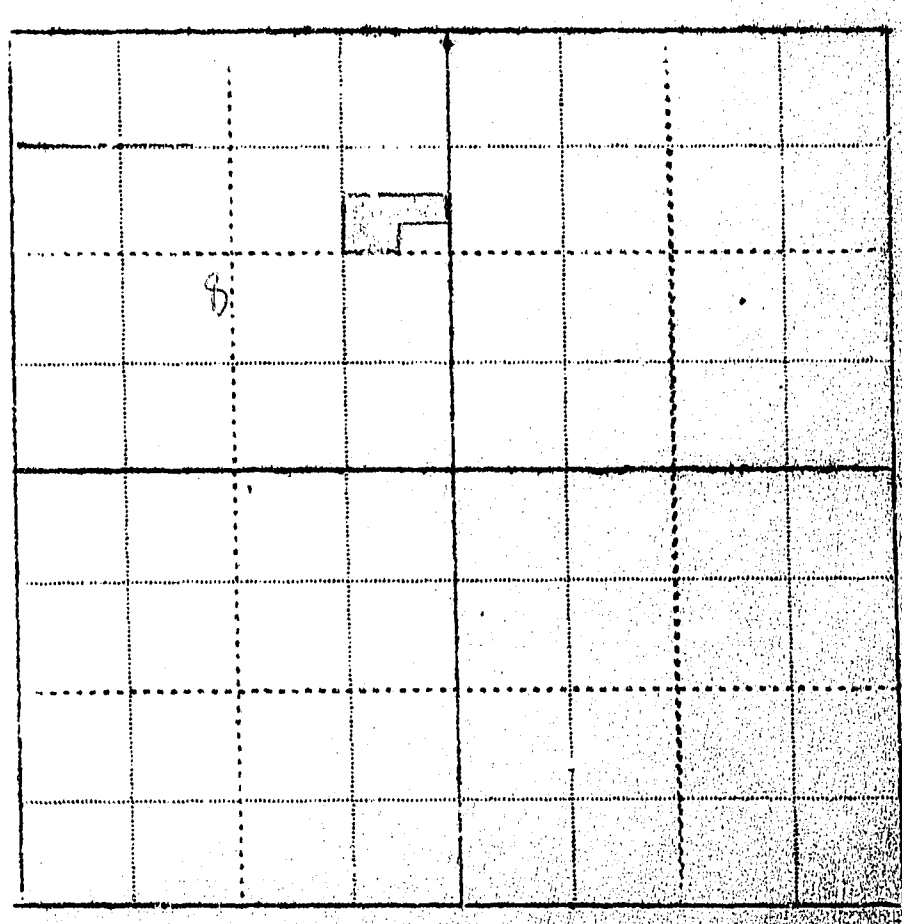
9. Present Use: Year [illegible] Acres Irrigated [illegible] 15 A.

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible] 8, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: _____



WITNESS-

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
November 27, 1942

Mrs. H. P. Schulze
Box 842
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mrs. Schulze:

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

xxxxxxxx
Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mrs. N. P. Schulze
Box 842
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mrs. Schulze:

On November 27, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

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Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 62 Record Misc
2. Name of Appropriator Charles D Lango Address Laurel, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated May 14 - 1890 Date Filed May 14 - 1890
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 400, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Bald Hill Creek + its tributaries Tributary Basin
* 5. Point of Diversion 2nd

   Sec. 36 Twp. 1 So Rge. 23 E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigating, watering stock, domestic + other
7. Description of System Dam + ditch 48 in by 36 in.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use NW¼ Sec 8- 2 So 24 E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)
* Ditches are a continuation of Bald Hill Creek + runs SE & S down into SE¼ of Sec 6. 2 So 24 E then SE & S place of use
   Appropriation made Oct. 15- 1889

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1

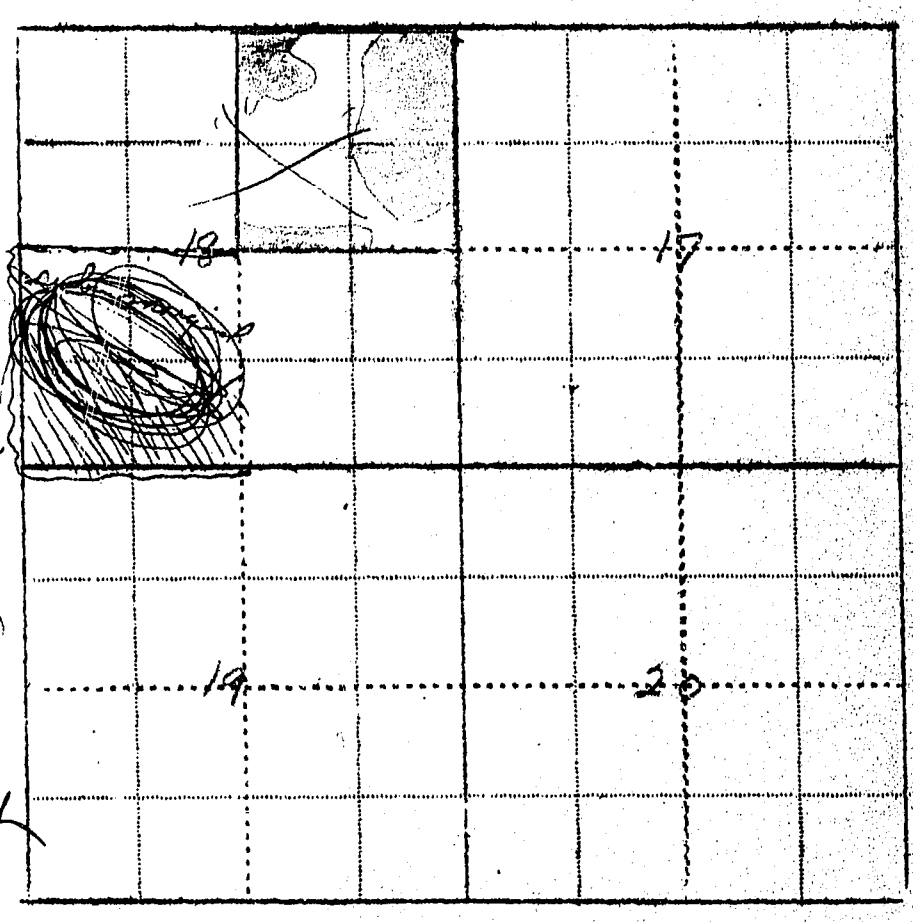
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Leland Seright Address Joliet, Montana
2. ~~Stream~~ Italian ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates + Laterals drain ditch
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator ~~Leland~~ L. Seright Address Joliet
7. First Use: Year 1906 Acres Irrigated all
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 73.6
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description NE¼, Sec. 18, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Seright est. have 48 shares in Italian ditch all irrigated from Italian ditch. North part of ranch irrigated. South part has been wet for years. Have put in drain. Present water supply sufficient. 86.40 Acres seeped -



WITNESS: [illegible]

Information by

Place

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information aaa 7019

1. Water User Leland Seright Address Joliet, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 73.6

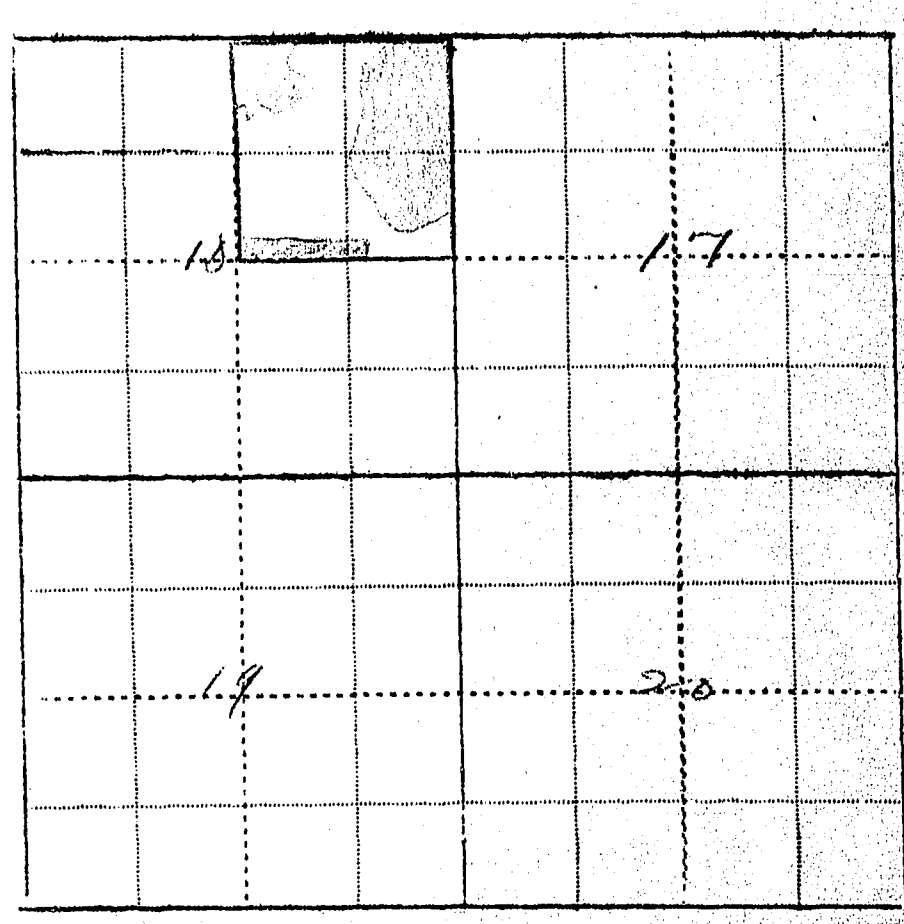
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description NE¼, Sec 18, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Seright est have 40 shares under Italian ditch



WITNESS: Letter Information by _____

Place

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 27, 1942

Mr. Leland Seright
Joliet, Montana

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Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1943

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FORM-SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

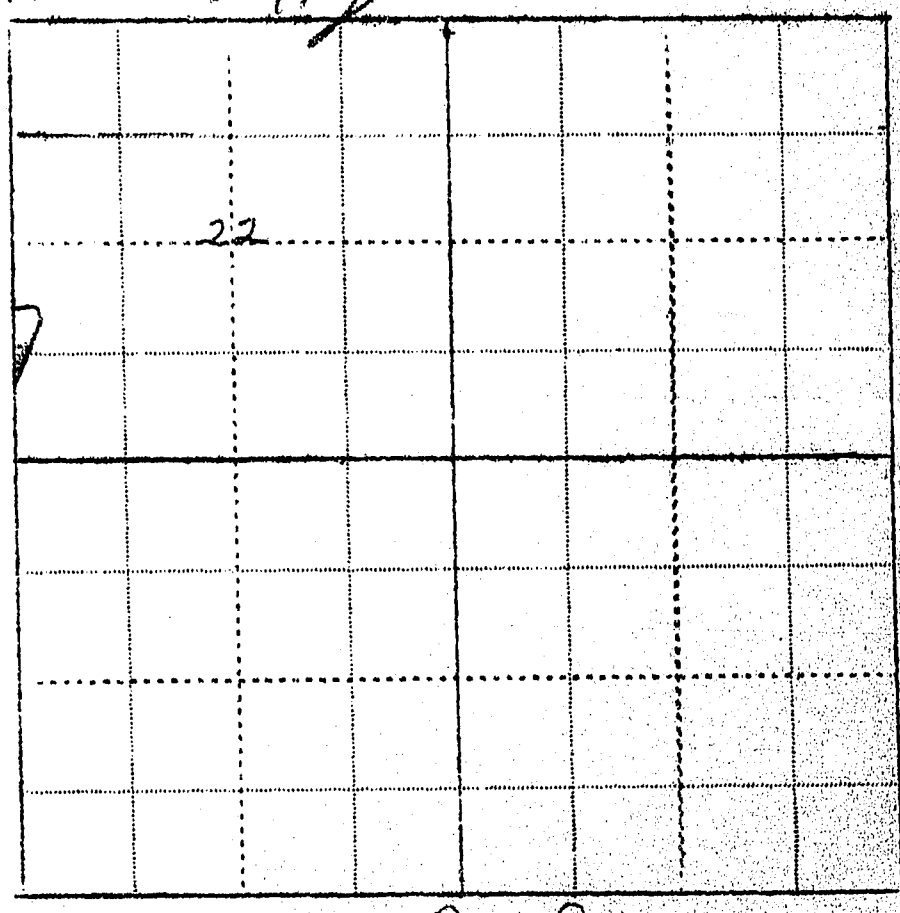
County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User L. R. Shay Address Laurel
2. Stream Mason Canal Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section 22 Township 2S Range 24
4. Description of System Headgate & Lat.
5. Type of Irrigation Flood
6. Original Appropriator T. L. Wilkins Address Laurel
7. First Use: Year 3½ Acres Irrigated 3½
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 2.42
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned Sold to Hy 1.08 acres
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Frac. SW¼SW¼, Sec. 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Frac S2W2SWSW4 West of Hy

2.42 shares

Danford Dist.



WITNESS: Letter

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Information by L. R. Shay

Place Billings Office

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ditch Co. Ownership + Rec.

1. Water User L. R. Shay Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

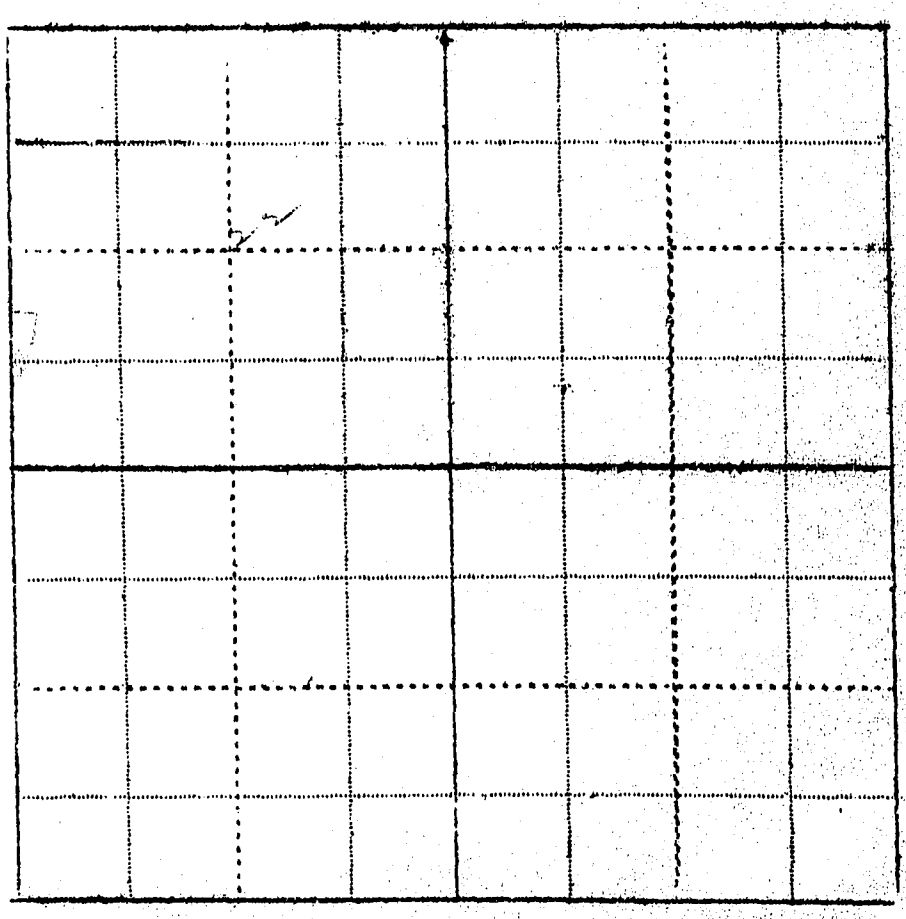
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 2.42

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Pine Shadows, Sec 22, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: _____



Information by

Billings,
~~xxxxxxx~~
November 27, 1942

Mr. L. R. Shay
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Shay:

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Second: From what ditch do you irrigate and how many acres are under this ditch? Will you please tell us how many shares you have in the ditch company.

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Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

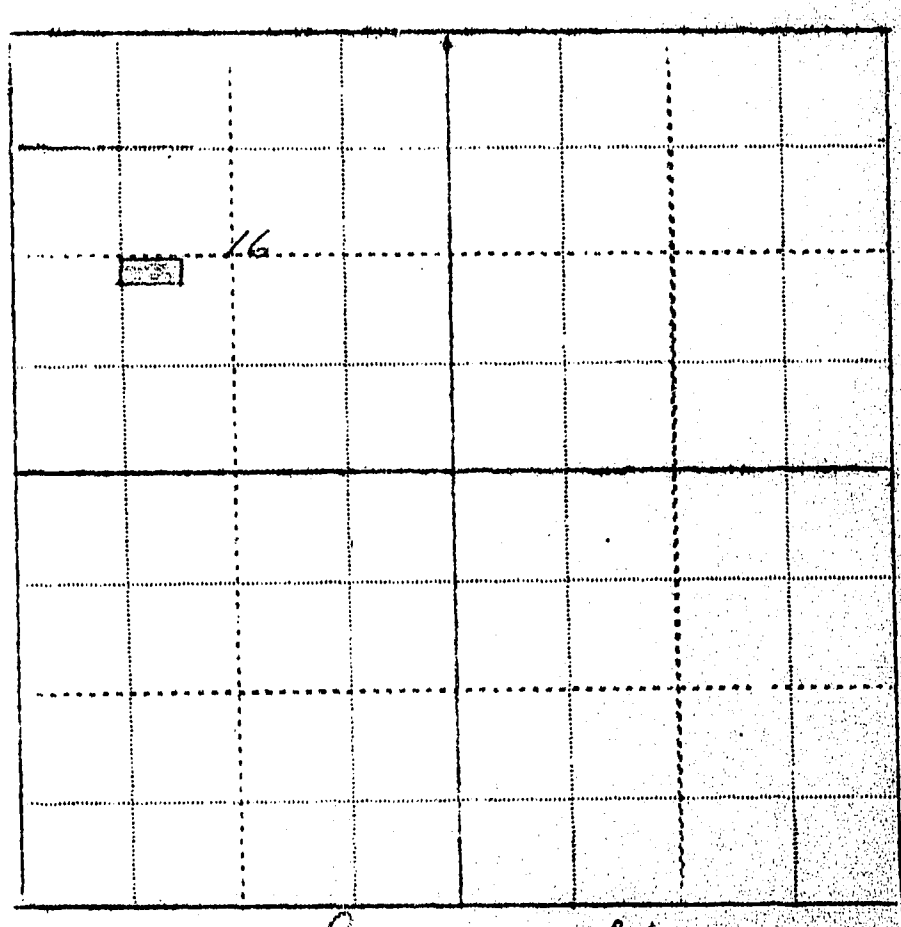
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Glenn Sheets Address Laurel
2. Stream Italian Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate & lateral
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 5.0
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description N½NW¼NE¼SW¼, Sec. 16, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: 2 shares Italian ditch Information Given as shown Waste water from Italian ditch



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Glenn Sheets

Place Billings Office

S/O. Nov. 27, 1942

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information AOA 6074

1. Water User Glenn Sheets Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

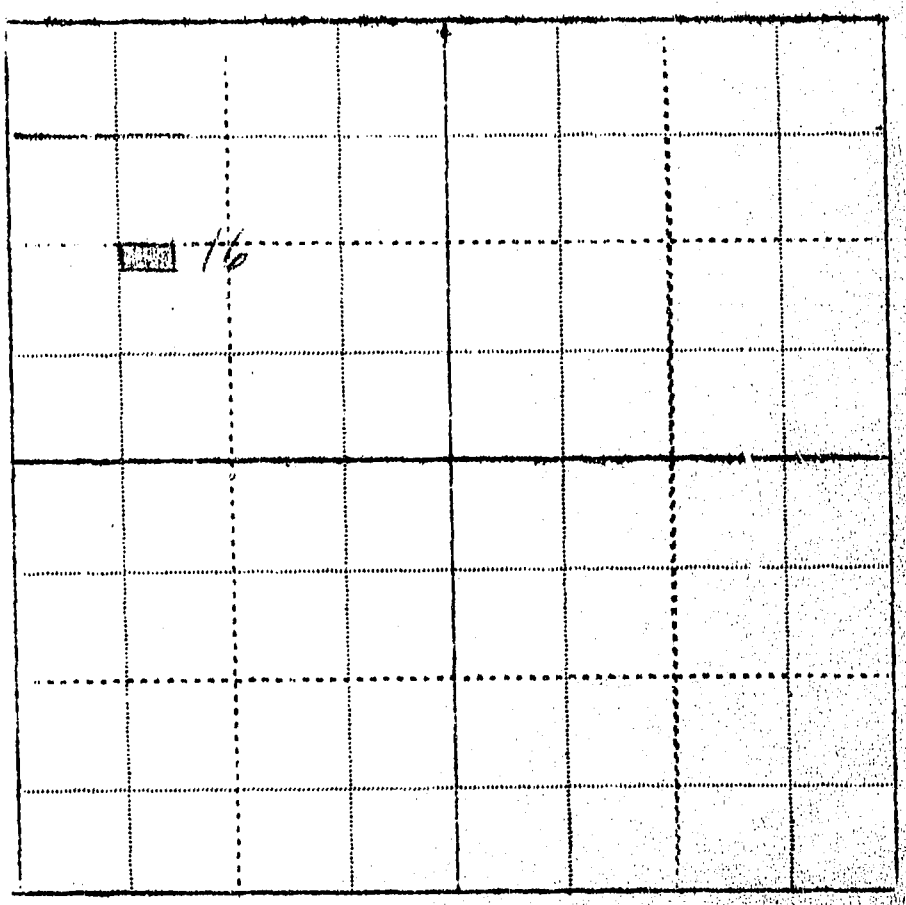
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated Alf. 5.0

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description N½ NW NE SW¼, Sec 16, T 1 S, R 24 E

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Nellie Sheets Address Silesia

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding Gravity flow

6. Original Appropriator Danford Irri Dist Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 7.23

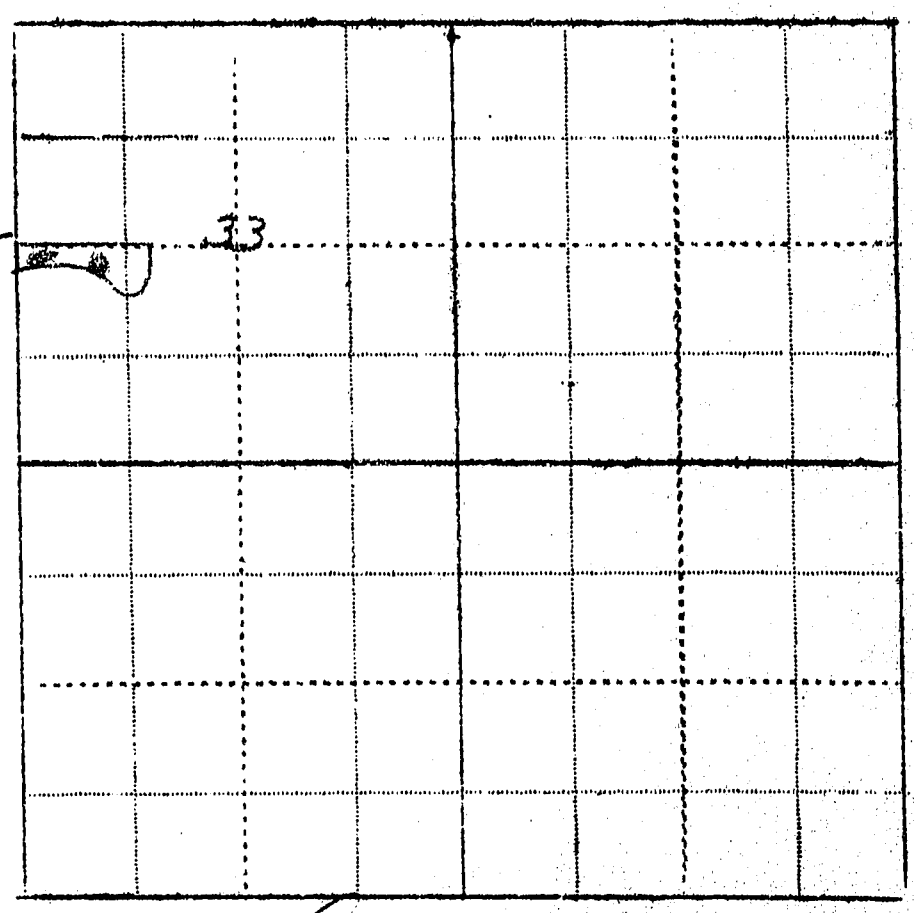
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Lot 8, Sec. 33, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: 7.23 Danford Dist

Information Correct as shown Irrigated from Mason Canal



WITNESS: Letter
GJO

Information by Glenn Shuts

Place Billings Office

Nov. 27, 1942

FORM SM-1 33 F-12

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership + Map Photo

1. Water User Nellie Sheets Address Columbia

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

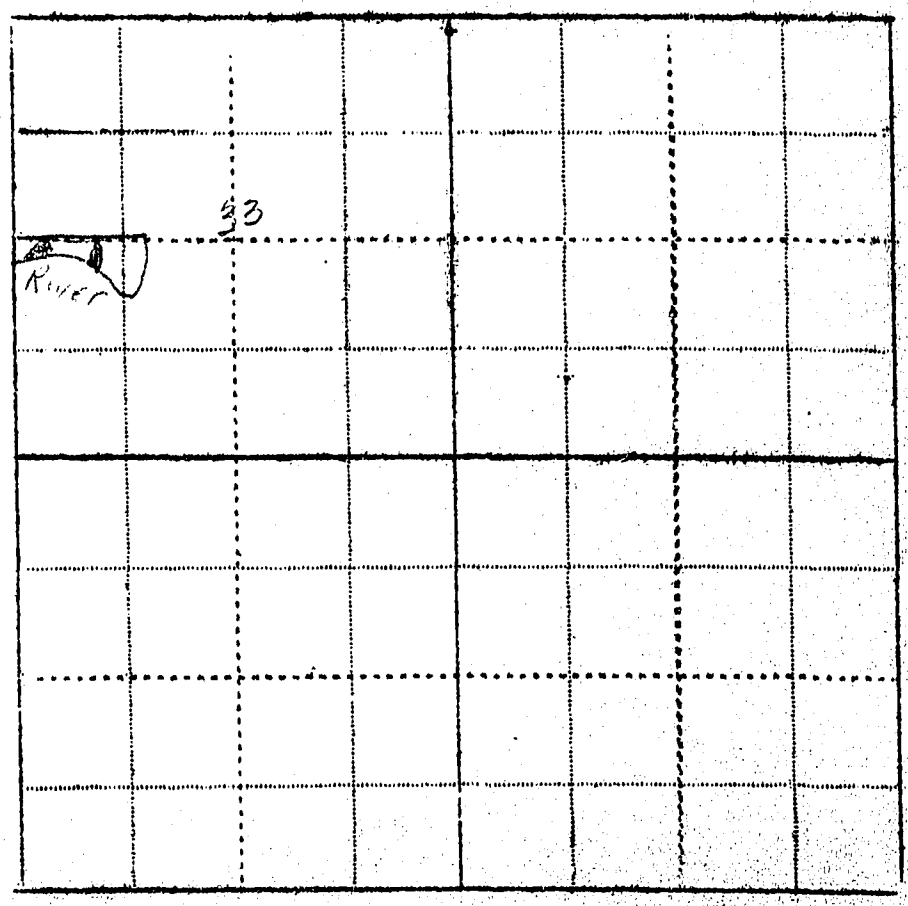
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 7.23

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lot 8 Sec 33 , T 2S , R 24E.

Remarks: _____



FORM SM-1

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Mason Canal

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ditch Co. Ownership & Photo

1. Water User Elsie + ~~Henry~~ Shoop Address Laurel

2. Stream Dunkford Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate + ditch

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Danford Irri Dist, Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 5.10

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description Frac NW SW Sec 22, T 28, R 24 E

Remarks: 5.10 Danford

Mason Canal

Information

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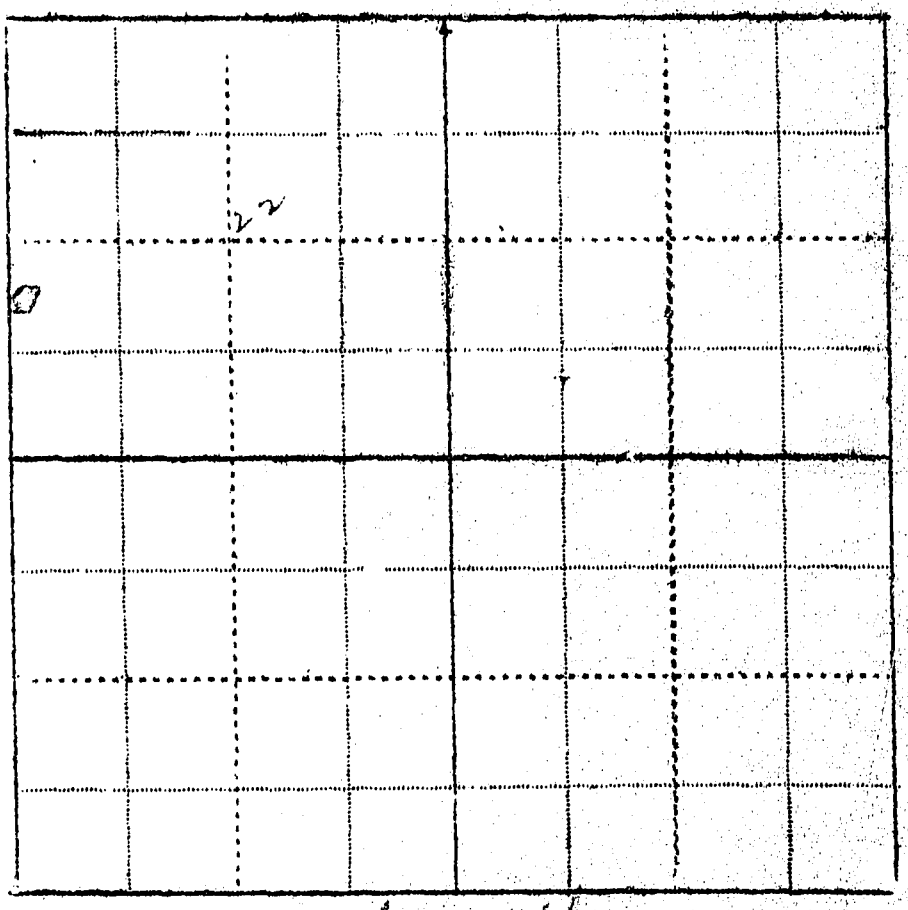

WITNESS: Phone MK. Information by Elsie Shoop

Place 12/4/42

Billings,
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November 27, 1942

Mr. Glenn Sharp
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Sharp:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

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Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1 Jim Dix or. Van Sinkle 3

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-7012-

1. Water User ① J.H. Slater Address Laurel

2. Stream Clarks Fork R. Tributary to Yellowstone Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____

4. Description of System 5 Inch Pump & ditches

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator J. W. Dix Address ____

7. First Use: Year 1907 Acres Irrigated ____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ?. ~~Cleveland 174.7~~ ~~[illegible]~~ 40.00

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned ____

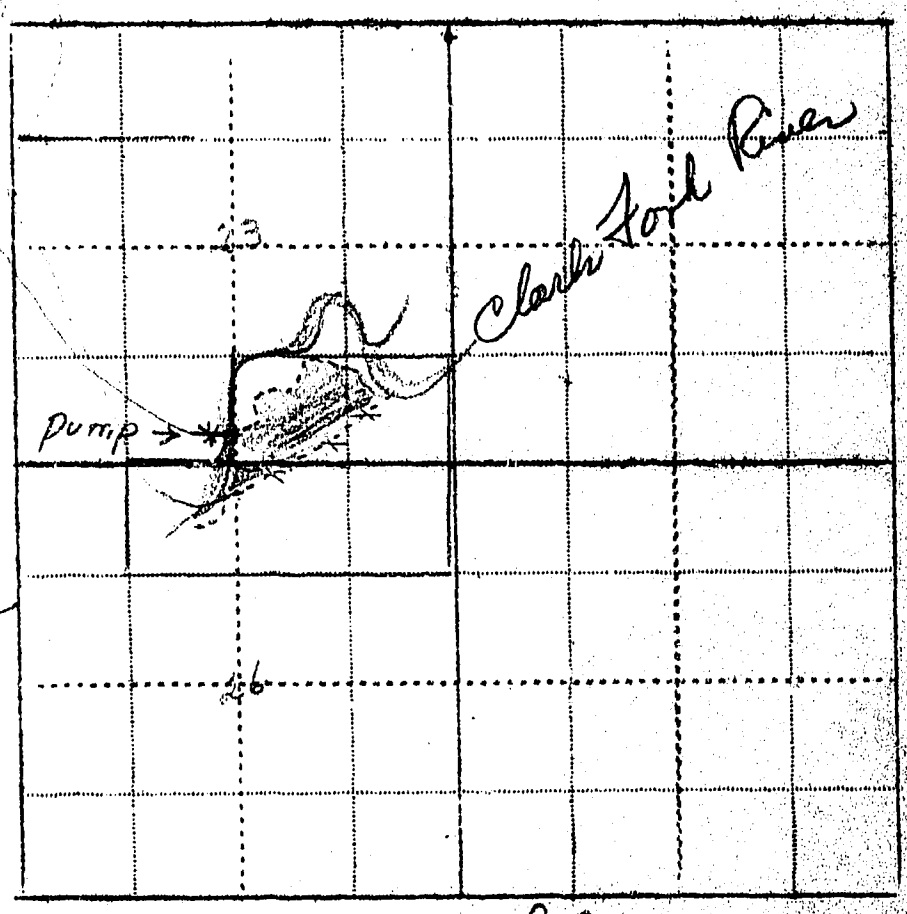
11. Condition of System ____

12. Land Description ① N2 NE4 NE NW4 Sec 26 - S2 SE4 Sec 23 - 2S - 24E ② ~~SW NW4, NW4 SW4, Sec 26~~, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: ② ~~C.W. Laird, Laurel, part owner, operated by J.H. Slater~~

[illegible] to be a little ditch [illegible] Clark [illegible] no [illegible] not Water probably taken from river by means of a pump [illegible]

Present Pump 1936 5 inch Pump Irrigates about 40 acres ample water



WITNESS: S.J. Oravitz Information by J. H. Slater

Place Billings office

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Billings, Montana

November 6, 1942

Mr. J. H. Slater
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Slater:

On October 21st we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land. To date we have not heard from you. It is necessary that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin.

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Assistant Engineer

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Billings,
Oct. 21, 1942

J. H. Slater
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Slater:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state. This agreement when reached will vitally affect each and every water user in the Yellowstone Basin.

Much of this information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly form those using water. We are there fore asking you to help us. Inclosed you will find a small map of your farm. We would like to have you mark or color in the fields that you irrigate, and also show those that have been irrigated. The location of your pump, size and year first used. Also the total number of acres that you irrigate. It may be that you cannot anser all of these question, but it may be that you can tell us of some one that can.

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Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

Called at office
Nov 7, 1942

J. H. Slater called at
the office Nov. 7. 19[illegible]
The present pump was installed
about 1936
Was a 5 inch pump
The first water user was
Jim Dix about 35 years ago
Mrs Van Winkle has an
appropriation
Irrigates about 40 acres
plans to irrigate 20 more
by clearing next year
Always has ample water
supply
System in good repair

GJO.

Please Do Not Fill in Any Items on This Page

(Carbon Co.) **Notice of Appropriation**

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 313 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator J. W. Dix Address Carbon Co. Mont
3. Date Appropriated July 19, 1907 Date Filed July 26, 1907
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ____, Cubic Feet per second 50
4. Name of Stream Clarks Fork Tributary Yellowstone Basin
5. Point of Diversion at a point where Cliff on Lot 1 touches River
   Sec. 26 Twp. 2 S Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation and other useful & beneficial
7. Description of System
   dam and ditch, said ditch to be 8 feet wide on bottom, 10 ft wide on top, 5 feet deep
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use
   Lots 6-11-12 Sec 23 twp 2 S, Rge 24 E
   Lot 1, NW 1/4 " 26 " 2 S Rge 24 E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

Decree

10. Case No. ____ Date ____ Amt. Decreed: M. I. ____ C. F. S. ____
11. To Whom Decreed ____ Address ____
12. Name of Ditch ____ Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) ____
13. Date of Priority ____ Purpose ____
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1

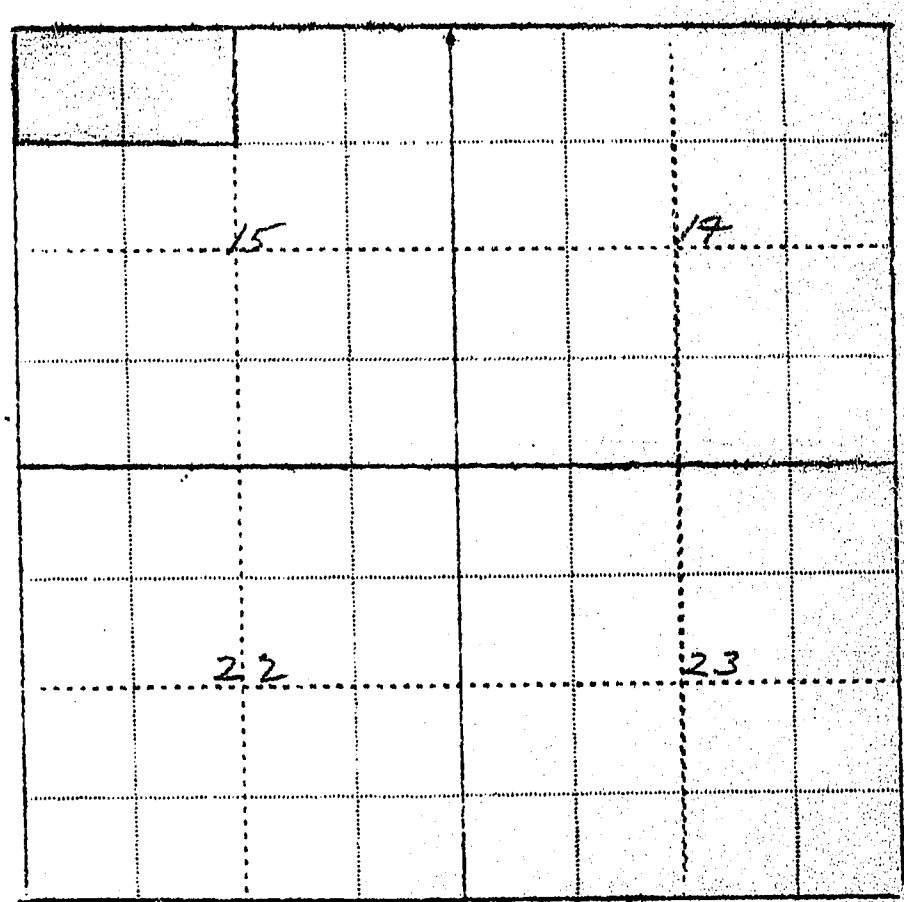
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Anna F. Smith Box 623 Address Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding open ditch
6. Original Appropriator Don't know Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated Don't know
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated All irrigated since mem by Smith
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 80
10. Last Use: Year 1949 Why Abandoned still in use
11. Condition of System Good.
12. Land Description N½NW¼, Sec. 15, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Has 10 shares in Big ditch all irrigated from Big Ditch



WITNESS: Letter

Information by Anna F. Smith

Place Laurel Mont.

STATE OF MONTANA

STATE ENGINEER

Billings,
~~HELENA~~, MONTANA
November 27, 1942

Miss Anna F. Smith
Box 623
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Smith:

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Gerald J. Oravetz

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

Have filled in blank to the best of my knowledge. If not satisfactory or if other information is needed will be glad to supply it if I can. — Anna F. Smith

15 D.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information aaa # 981

1. Water User Anna F. Smith Address Laurel, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to ____ Basin ____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____

4. Description of System ____

5. Type of Irrigation ____

6. Original Appropriator ____ Address ____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____

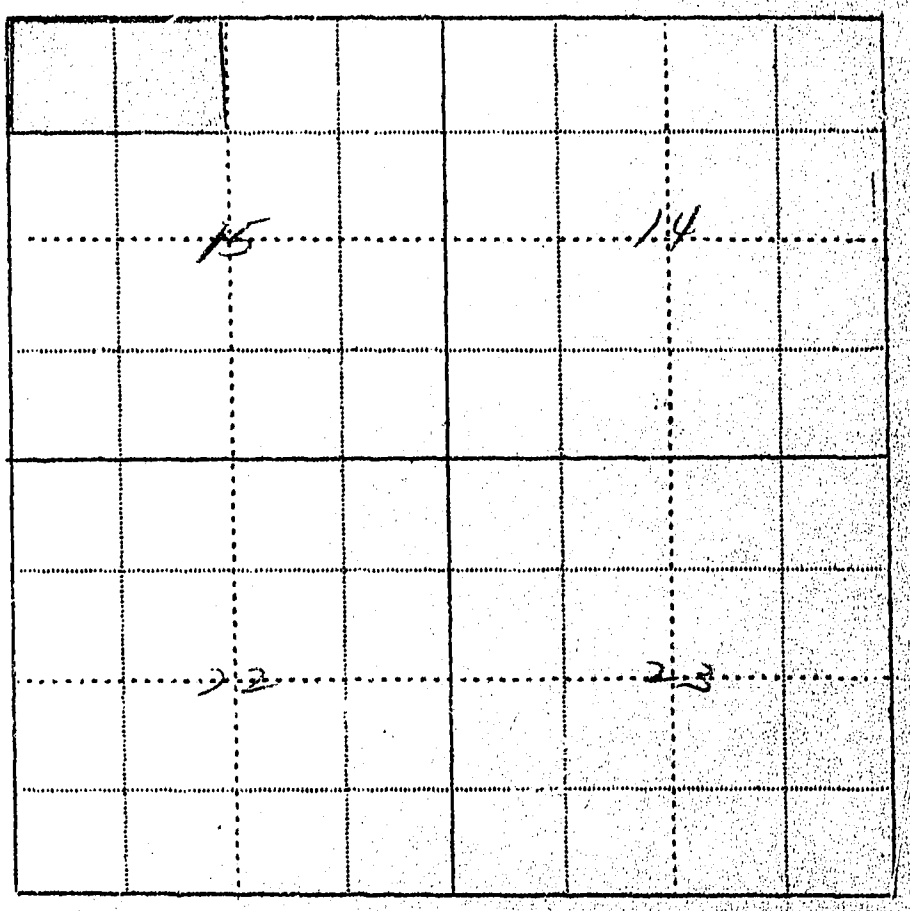
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 73+4 8.0 Phote

10. Last Use: Year / Why Abandoned ____

11. Condition of System ____

12. Land Description N½NW¼ Sec. 15 - 2S. 24 E. , T 2S , R 24 E.

Remarks: Has 10 shares in the Big Ditch



WITNESS: ____ Information by ____

Place ____

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Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

#307

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book C Page 305 Record Misc.

2. Name of Appropriator Tim Reardon et al Address Laurel, Montana

3. Date Appropriated Jan. 6, 1902 Date Filed Jan. 10, 1902

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ____, Cubic Feet per second 10

4. Name of Stream Camp Creek Tributary ____ Basin ____

5. Point of Diversion about 10 ft. east of center of the N.P. & C.C. R.R. in the NE¼

Sec. 16 Twp. 2S Rge. 24 E. Bank of Stream ____

6. Purpose Irrigation, water stock, other useful

7. Description of System Dam or headgate, ditch 2 ft. on bottom, about 8 ft. on top and about 4 ft. deep. Runs N.E. about ½ mile to land of L. A. Butting in Sec. 10, 2 S. 24 E., then south on Sec. line of Sec. 15 & 16 about 200 yards to place of use.

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use NE¼, Sec. 15 2 South 24 E.

May be used on SE¼, Sec. 15 2 South 24 E.

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) T et al being Daniel Foley, F. B. Jackson, & J. F. Jackson.

S Emption into Canyon Creek Ditch on north bank about 1 mile from N.P. R.R bridge which spans Yellowstone River near Laurel. At one time Camp Creek emptied into said river.

Decree

10. Case No. ____ Date ____ Amt. Decreed: M. I. ____ C. F. S. ____

11. To Whom Decreed ____ Address ____

12. Name of Ditch ____ Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) ____

13. Date of Priority ____ Purpose ____

14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed ____

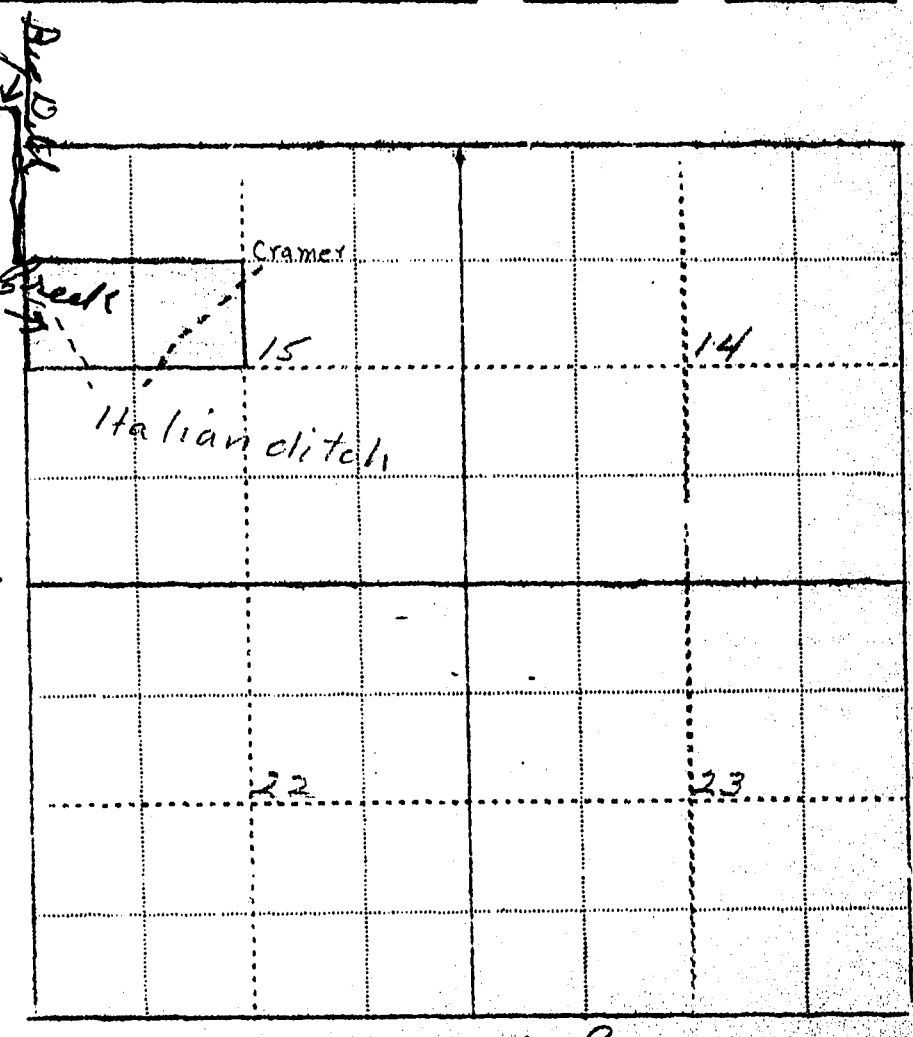
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Harry E. Smith Box 263 Address Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch + Italian Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Mostly Private
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Tim Reardon Address Laurel
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated 80
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 80
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 80
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned None
11. Condition of System Poor
12. Land Description S½NW¼, Sec. 15 Correct, T 28, R 24E

Remarks: Has 5 [illegible] shares in Big Ditch + 10 in Italian ditch Cap Creek both ditches join at N W Corner of section 15, and Four different Parties own the N ½ of section 15 and all Met there out that corner



WITNESS: [illegible]

Information by Harry E. Smith

Place Laurel Mont

Italian - 20 acres
Big 60 "

□ 1054

4 94-J 15 E

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information aaa # 953

1. Water User Harry E. Smith Address Laurel, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + Italian Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ..... ¼ ..... ¼ ..... Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System .....

5. Type of Irrigation .....

6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~72.8~~ 80

10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....

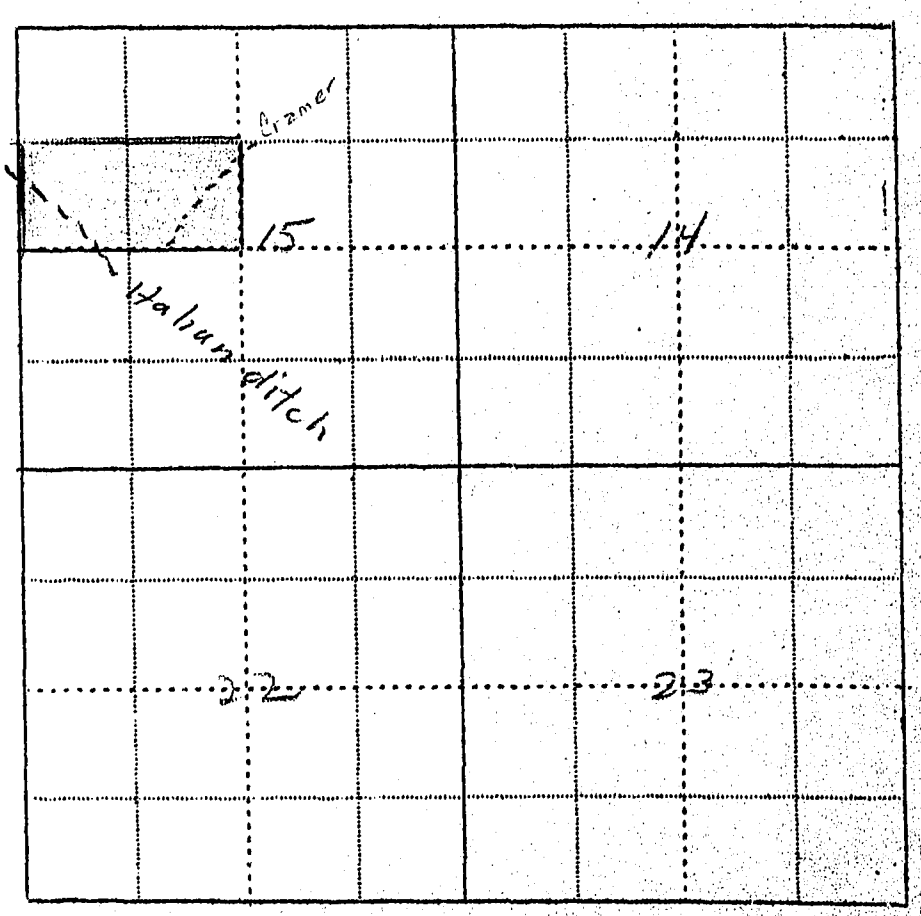
11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description S2 NW4, Sec. 15, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Big 5 shares

Italian 10 "



WITNESS: ..... Information by .....

Billings,
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November 27, 1942

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Box 263
Laurel, Montana

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Second: Please indicate on the enclosed form the land and the approximate number of acres under each ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

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Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ditch Co. ~~Ownship~~ & Phot.

1. Water User L. L. Smith Address Salina

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 1.16

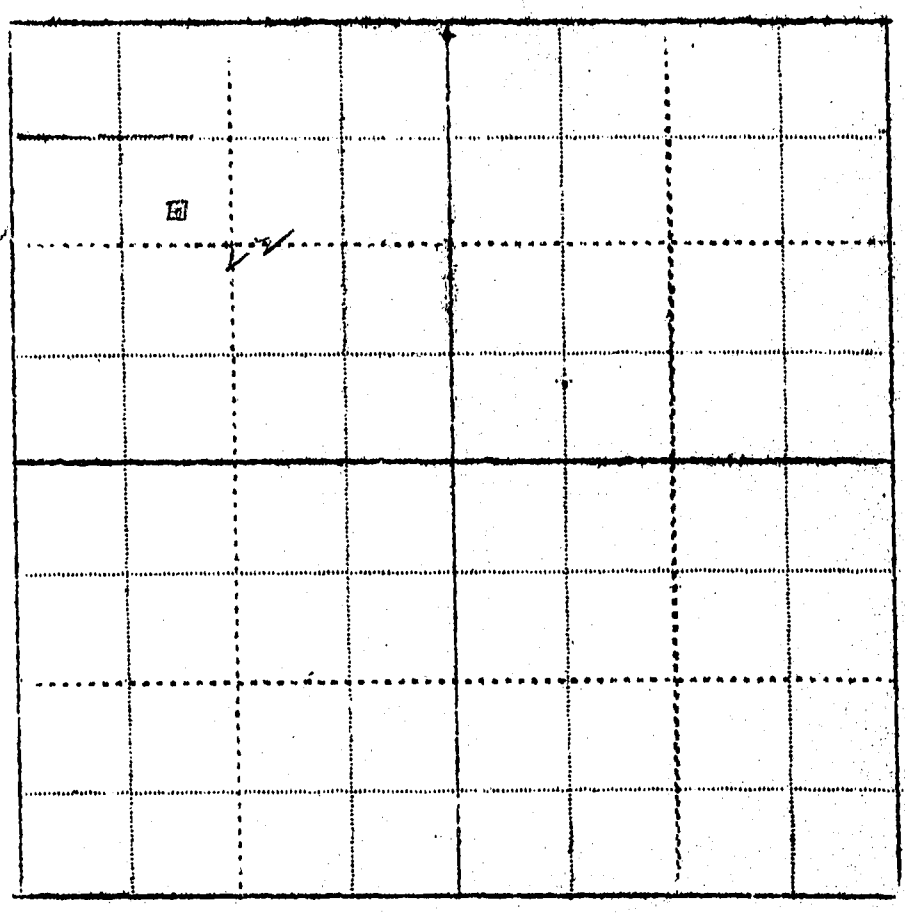
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description _____, T _____, R _____

Remarks:

Information as shown Correct has 1.16 shares in Mason Canal



WITNESS: SJO

Information by Car

Place at Ranch on place

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book D Page 129 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator John F Jackson Address Laurel, Yellowstone Co, Mont
3. Date Appropriated Jan 9 1903 Date Filed Feb 10, 1903
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ..... , Cubic Feet per second 5
*4. Name of Stream Burla Spring Tributary ..... Basin .....
5. Point of Diversion East & section line between Sec. 9 & 10, thence So along Sec. line to NW¼
   Sec. 15 Twp. 2S Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream .....
6. Purpose Irrigation, watering stock & other useful & beneficial
7. Description of System ditch or dam:- ditch 2 ft on bottom, 4 ft on top 1½ ft deep
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use NW¼, Sec 15 - 2 So 24 E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)
   * Situated on NW NE¼ Sec 9, 2 So 24 E.

Decree

10. Case No. ..... Date ..... Amt. Decreed: M. I. ..... C. F. S. .....
11. To Whom Decreed ..... Address .....
12. Name of Ditch ..... Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) .....
13. Date of Priority ..... Purpose .....
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed .....

Sec 15 .

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book C Page 505 Record Misc.

X 2. Name of Appropriator Tim Reardon et al Address Laurel, Montana

3. Date Appropriated Jan. 6, 1902 Date Filed Jan. 10, 1902

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches, Cubic Feet per second 10

S 4. Name of Stream Camp Creek Tributary Basin

5. Point of Diversion About 50 ft. east of center of the R.F. & C.C. R.R. in the NW¼

Sec. 16 Twp. 2S Rge. 24 E. Bank of Stream

6. Purpose Irrigation, water stock, other useful

7. Description of System Dam or headgate, ditch 2 ft. on bottom, about 8 ft. on top and about 4 ft. deep. Runs N.W. about ½ mile to land of L. A. Nutting in Sec. 10, 2 S. 24 E., then south on Sec. line of Sec. 15 & 16 about 200 yards to place of use.

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, Sec. 15 2 South 24 E.
May be used on S½, Sec. 15 2 South 24 E.

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) X et al being Daniel Foley, F. B. Jackson, & J. F. Jackson.

S Empties into Canyon Creek Ditch on north bank about 1 mile from N.P. RR bridge which spans Yellowstone River near Laurel. At one time Camp Creek emptied into said river.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.

11. To Whom Decreed Address

12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)

13. Date of Priority Purpose

14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1

10 J.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-1032

1. Water User Lydia Sullivan Address Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & Lateral

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year ✓ Acres Irrigated 8

8. Maximum Use: Year ✓ Acres Irrigated 8

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 8.

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System Good

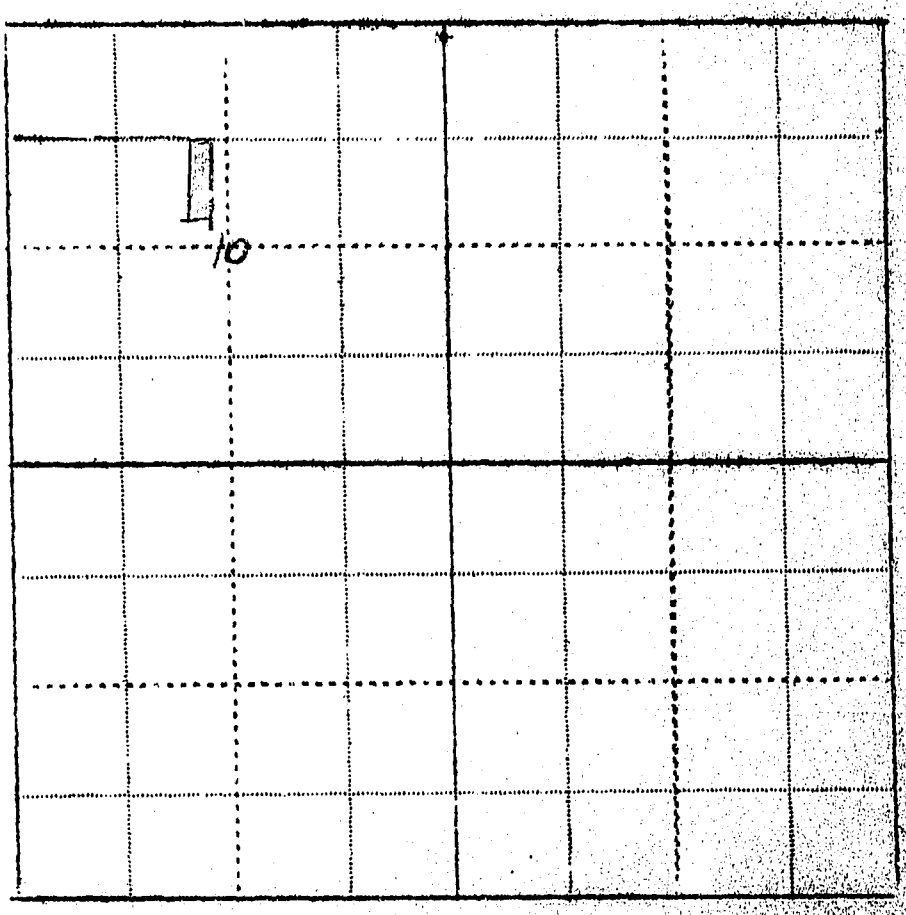
12. Land Description Lots 12, 13, Sec 10, T 25, R 24 E.

Remarks:

Has 2 shares

Information

Correct.



WITNESS: S J O.

Information by T. A. Nutting

Place Billings Office

Nov 27, 1942 P. 209

FORM SM-1

16H

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Ystone Source of Information Ownership + Photo

1. Water User Charles Swindler Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Italian Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch + Box

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding.

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year ✓ Acres Irrigated ✓

8. Maximum Use: Year ✓ Acres Irrigated ✓

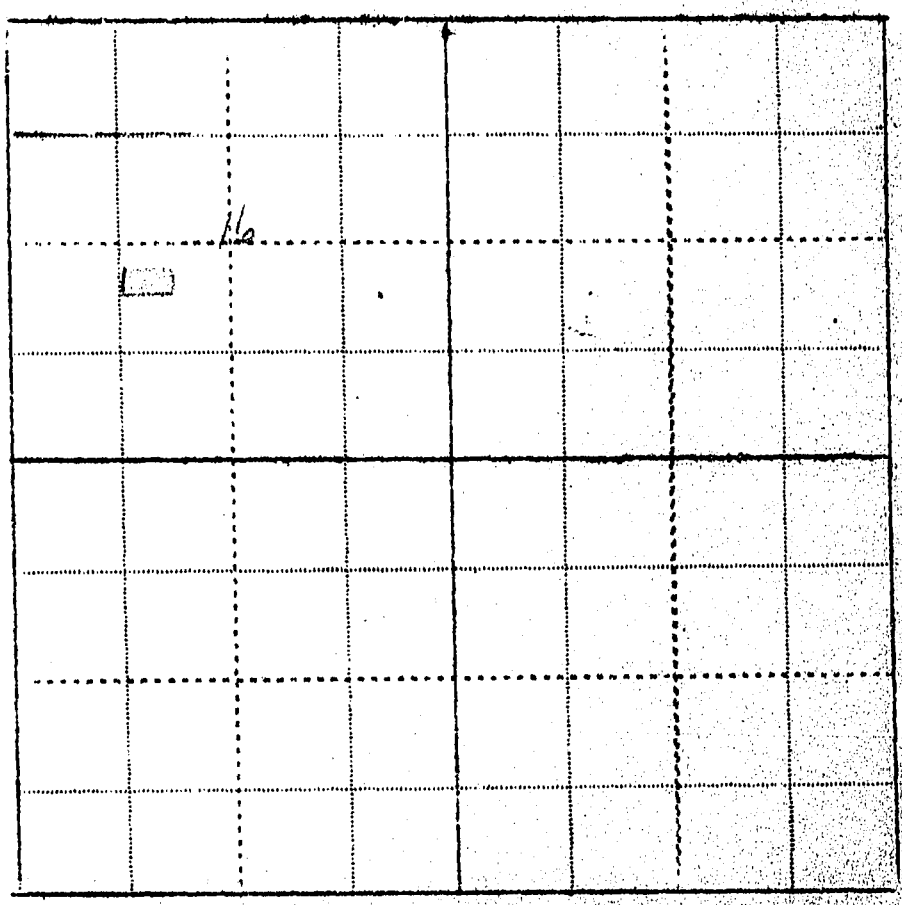
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 5

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned ✓

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description S NW NE Sec 16, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: has 2 shares in Italian ditch Information as shown correct.



WITNESS: G.J.B.

Information by Car + neighbors

Place Laurel

FORM SM-1

3-E

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User ~~Fred Reil~~ Geo. Swords ~~Rt 1 Box 89~~ Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Buts and Train

5. Type of Irrigation Pink Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Fred Reil Address Laurel Mont

7. First Use: Year 1934 Acres Irrigated 35.9

8. Maximum Use: Year 1934 Acres Irrigated 35.9

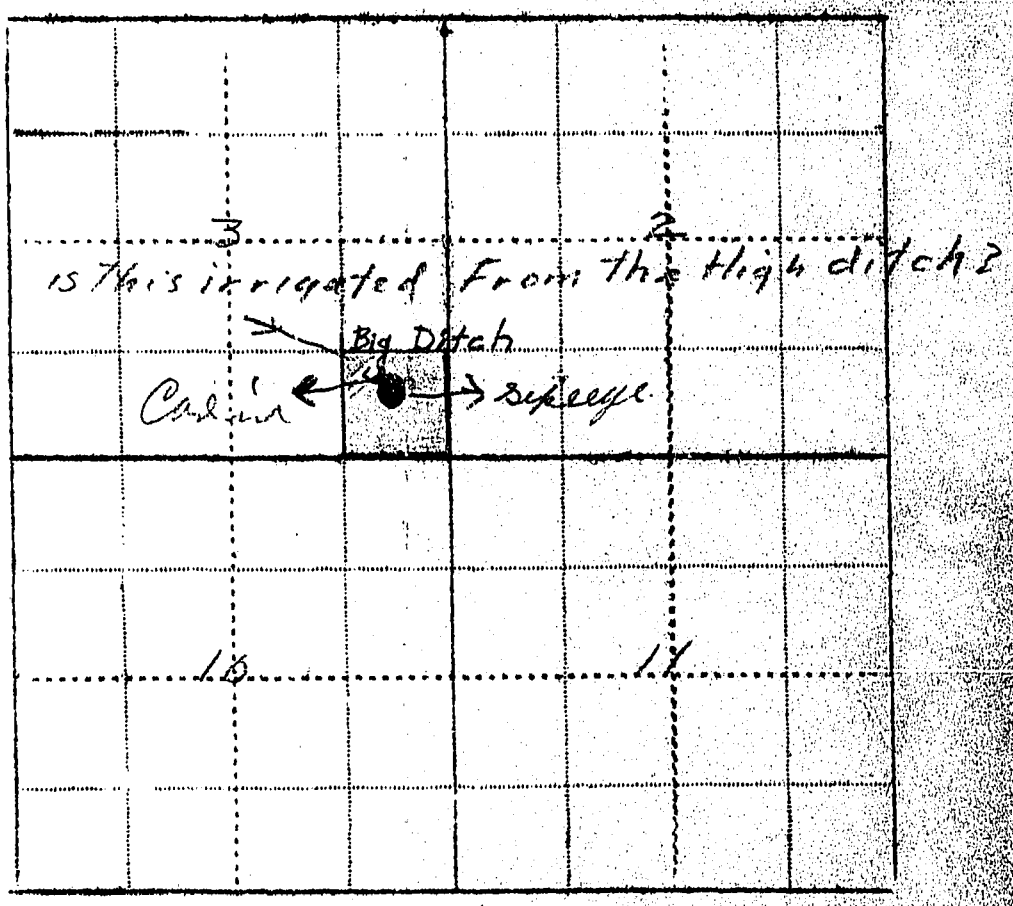
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 35.9

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description SE¼SE¼. Sec. 3, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Has 10 shares in Big ditch + 3 in High



WITNESS: Setter Information by Fred Reil

Place Laurel Mont RR 1 Box 89

Geo. W. Swords owner

FORM SM-1

3D

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 1063

1. Water User Fred Reil Address Laurel, Mont.

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High ditch Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System .....

5. Type of Irrigation .....

6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 35.9

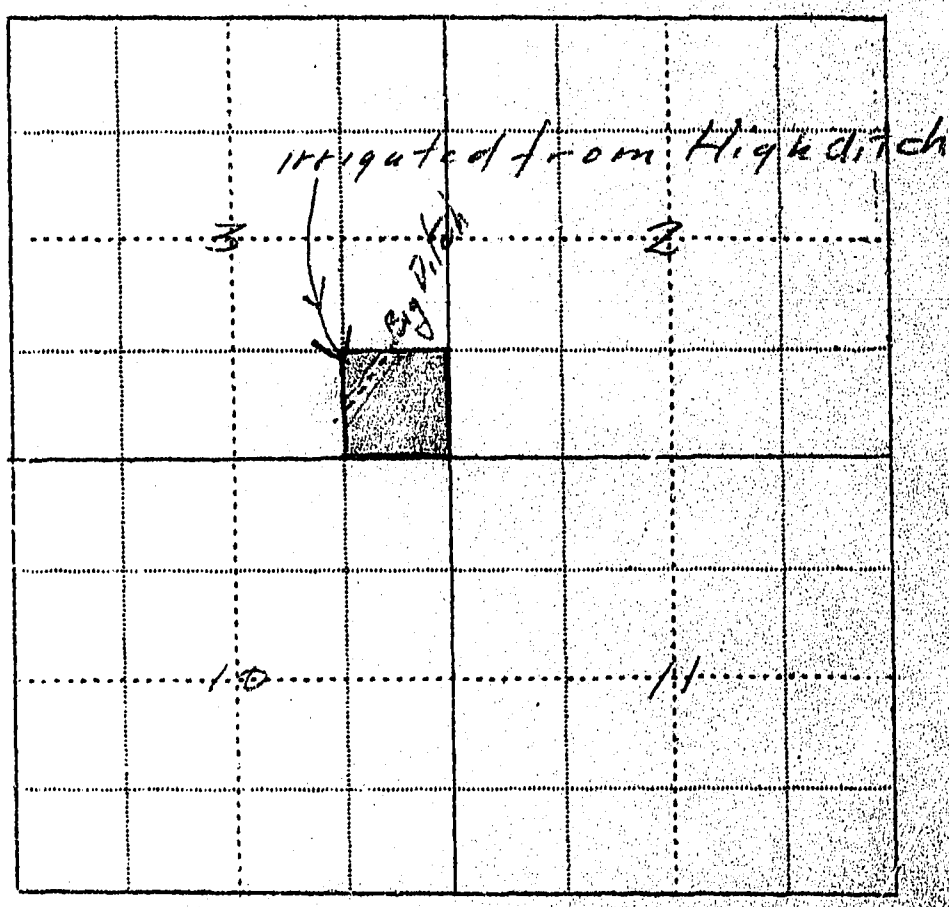
10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....

11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description SESE, Sec 3, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks: Has 10 shares in Big ditch + 3 in High ditch

Violet Williams Swords
former owner



WITNESS: ..... Information by .....

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 26, 1942

Mr. Fred Re[illegible]
Route 1, [illegible]49
Laurel, M[illegible]

Dear Mr. R[illegible]l:

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Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

Billings,
xxxxxxx
November 24, 1942

Mr. George W. Swords
413 Terry Ave.
Billings, Montana

Dear Mr. Swords:

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Second: Our record is incomplete in regard to the questions listed below. From what ditch or ditches do you irrigate and how many acres under each? Will you please indicate on the enclosed map the portion of your land irrigated from each ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

outlet or culvert under
the railroad is not
large enough to handel
the water in the drain
ditch, which causes
water to back up,
during irrigation
season. Has paid
for both private drains
on place - ass. each
year, about $1000
not including ass.
on main drain
(use laterals that were build
to irrigate to carry seeped water

FORM SM-1 George W. Swords - B, 3E 10A

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA — 1033

1. Water User ~~Phillip Knaub~~ Geo. W. Swords Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High Ditch Tributary to Yel. R. Basin Yel.

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____

4. Description of System Headgates, culvert + laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Address ____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated When Big ditch was Const.

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated 104.6

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 104.6

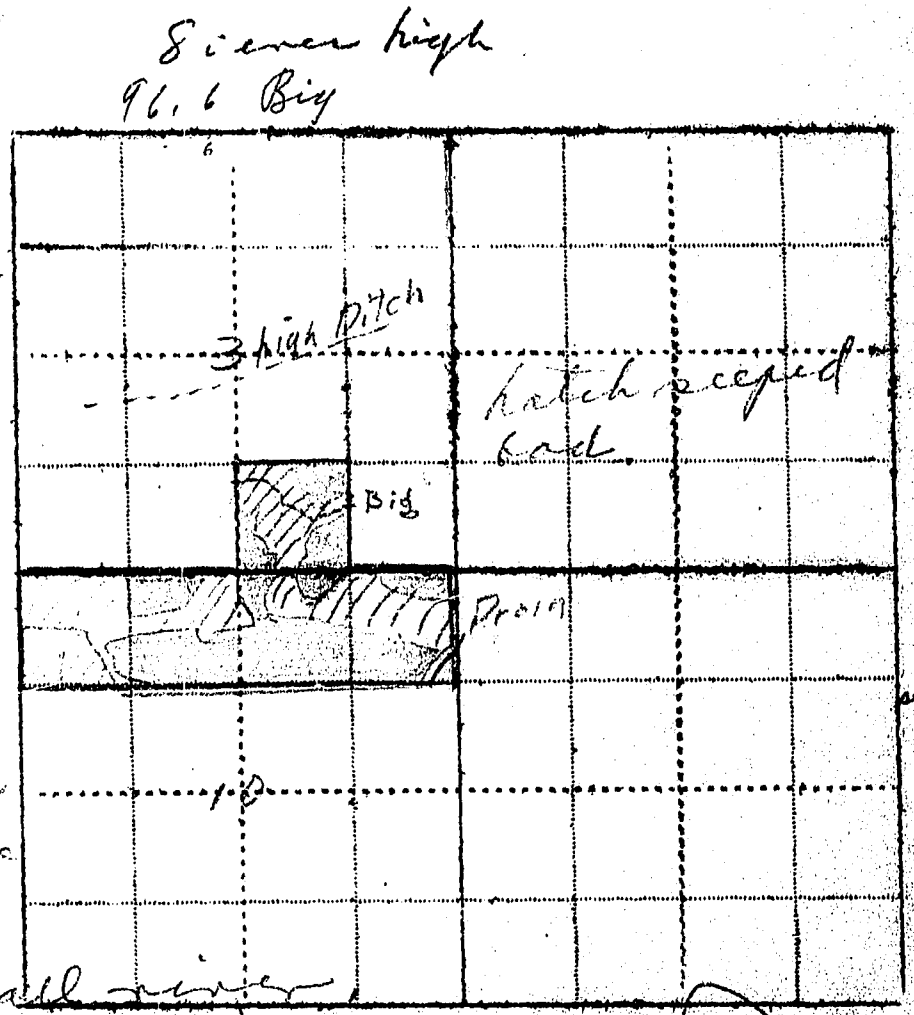
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned 96.6

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description N² N² Sec. 10, SW S E⁴ Sec. 3, T 2S, R 24 E

Remarks: [illegible]

Has 25 shares under Big ditch + 4 under High Land is terribly seeped due to the big ditch. Have 2 drainage ditches on place. Gravel bar [illegible] through the [illegible] of farms in some years the seepage was [illegible] bad it made a small river.



WITNESS: S. J. Orant Information by [signature]

Place Billings Office Jan 4, 1942

If Big ditch was lined this trouble of seepage would be eliminated.

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 968

1. Water User ~~M.~~ Walter W Teeters Address Laurel, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ ~~Mason Canal~~ Danford Dist Tributary to: Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

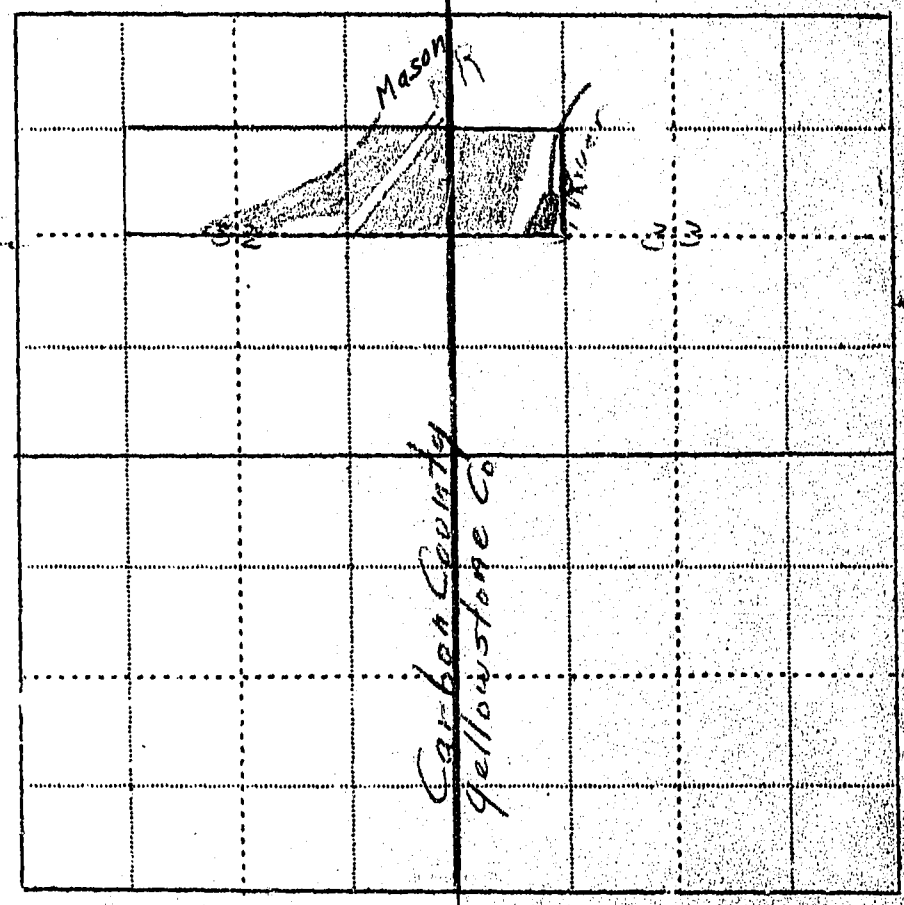
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 116.4 31.38 Yellowstone Co.

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description SE NW¼ S½ NE¼ Sec 32 - Lot 4 - Sec 33, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: AAA call the Yellowstone Co has 31.38 acres assess. under Mason Canal in Yellowstone County



WITNESS: [signature] Information by Danford Irrig Dist.

Place

Billings,

December 1, 1942

Mr. Walter Teeters
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Teeters:

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First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land that is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: Please indicate the amount and acreage of your land under the Mason Canal. If you have a private pump, please answer the questions checked in red on the enclosed form.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1943

Mr. Walter Teeters
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Teeters:

On December 1, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 549.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state abe being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh

Billings
March 16, 1943

Mr. Walter H. Teeters
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Teeters:

On December 1, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South, Range 24 East. On January 4, 1943 we sent you another letter asking you to submit the information 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 the State, be investigated. The State Engineer shall, either before or after the bringing of such action (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 direction 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.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA - 1027

1. Water User S.W. Tacker & W.J. Kamrud Address Billings, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High ditch Tributary to Conn Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 224.5

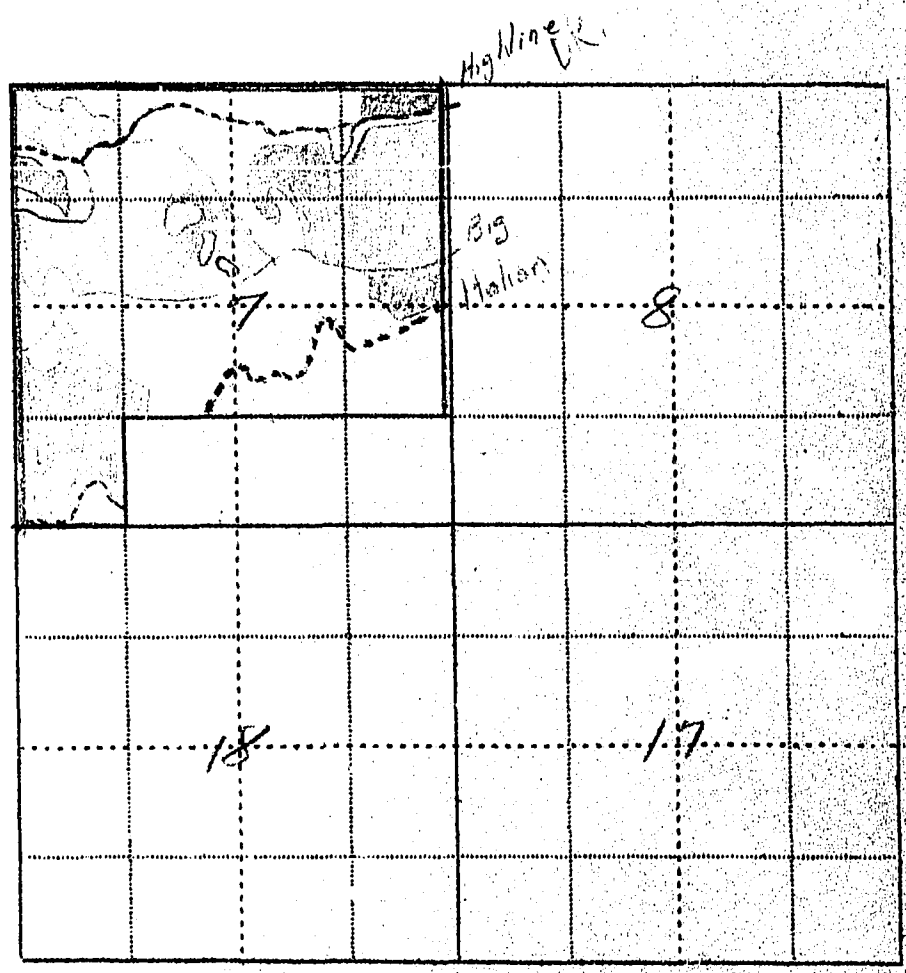
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description Lot 1, 2, 3, 4 E½ NW¼ N½ SE¼ NE¼ SW¼, NE¼ NW¼, Sec. 7. T 2S. R. 24E.

Remarks: have 35½ Shares under Big + High ditch + 3 67 Shares in Conn

See other sheet attached



WITNESS: Information by

Place

Billings ,
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December 1, 1942

Mr. W. J. Kamrud
Box 1901
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Kamrud:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the information necessary to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The part of your land which is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: Please indicate on the enclosed map the land and the approximate number of acres which you irrigate under each ditch.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1 Sec 2 S 23

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Send to → %W. J. Kamrud Box 1901 S. W. Thacker Address Billings

2. ~~Stream~~ Big + High + Cove ditches Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgate + Laterals + Flume

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Big + Cove Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 224.5

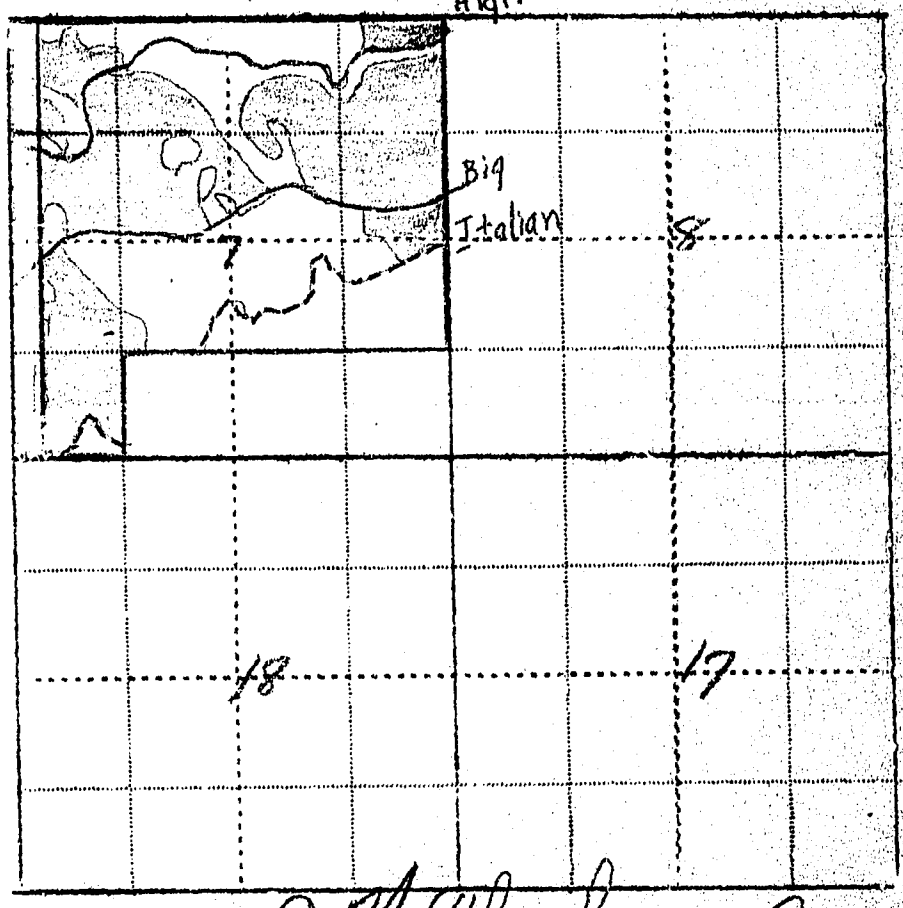
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, E½NW¼. N½SE¼, NE¼SW¼, NE¼, Sec. 7, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: have 33½ shares under Big, 17 High + 367 shares in Cove

Flume across Cove - High.
37 shares Cove 25
16½ Big 66
13 shares High 134.5"



WITNESS: Letter

Information by S. W. Thacker

Place By W. J. Kamrud Agent

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Florence Thornton Address 436 Lewis, Billings

✓2. ~~Stream~~ old Mill + Big D. Tributary to Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Headgates + laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding Gravity flow

6. Original Appropriator Robert L Mix Address Billings Mont.

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~(1) 160~~ 120 (2) 114

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

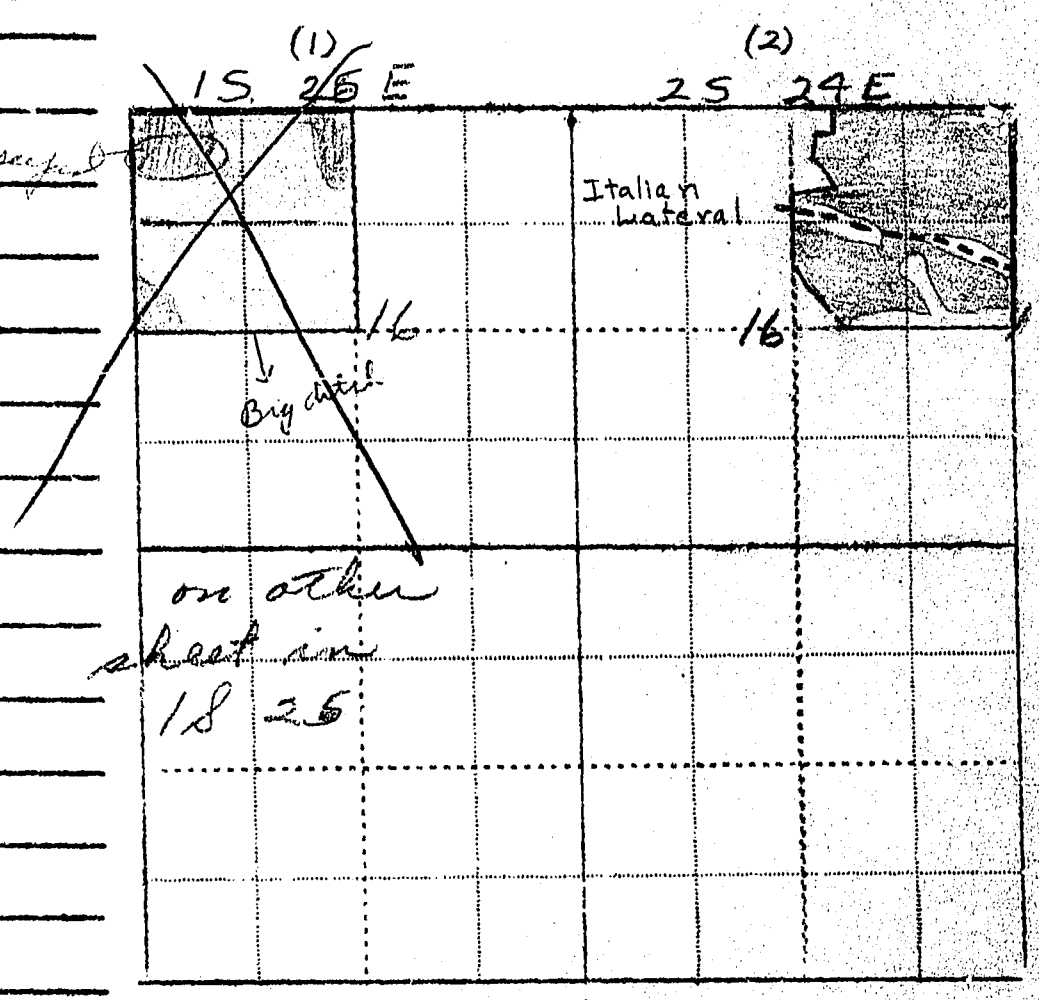
11. Condition of System Good.

12. Land Description (1) NW¼ Sec. 16 (2) NE¼ Sec. 16, T 1S 2S, R ~~26E~~ 25 24E

Remarks:

(2) 16 Mill Ditch
8 Big
Little is seeped

(1) ~~40 A seeped~~
~~Barley drain~~
25 Big - 1 [illegible]



WITNESS: R. Hatveldt Information by M. Thornton

Place Billings Office

Nov 24, 1942

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information [illegible]

1. Water User [illegible] Address [illegible] 436 Lewis

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

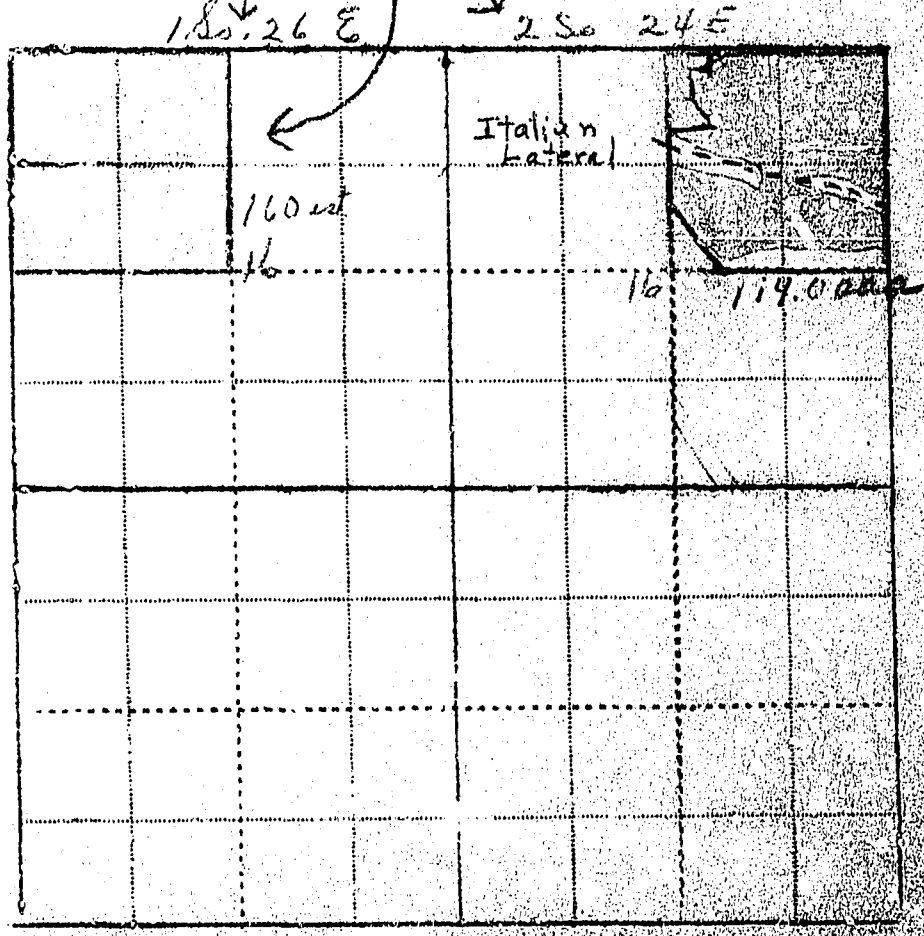
9. Present Use: Year 194[illegible] Acres Irrigated [illegible] 160 est 114.0

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description [illegible] 16 T 1S, R 25 E
[illegible] 16 2S 24 E

Remarks: _____



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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book E Page 32 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Robert L. Mix Address Billings Mont
3. Date Appropriated May 9-1905 Date Filed May 11-1905.

Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches ..., Cubic Feet per second 5

* 4. Name of Stream Canjo Creek Tributary ... Basin ...

5. Point of Diversion about 300 yds south of NW corner of described land where Canjo Creek enters said land

Sec. ... Twp. ... Rge. ... Bank of Stream South side of dam

6. Purpose Irrigation, watering stock + all beneficial

7. Description of System Dam of logs, dirt + stone, about 4 ft high, 5 ft wide at bottom, 2 ft wide on top + about 10 ft long from bank to bank. To act as reservoir. Ditch taps reservoir at dam + runs SE-¼ mile in length, 1 ft deep, 2½ ft wide on top. Number of small ditches about, ft wide at bottom + 18in on top to distribute water over land if necessary

8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use NE¼ Sec 16 - 2 So 24 E

9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

* On or near Sec 16, 2 So 24 E

Decree

10. Case No. ... Date ... Amt. Decreed: M. ... C. F. S. ...
11. To Whom Decreed ... Address ...
12. Name of Ditch ... Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.) ...
13. Date of Priority ... Purpose ...

FORM SM-1

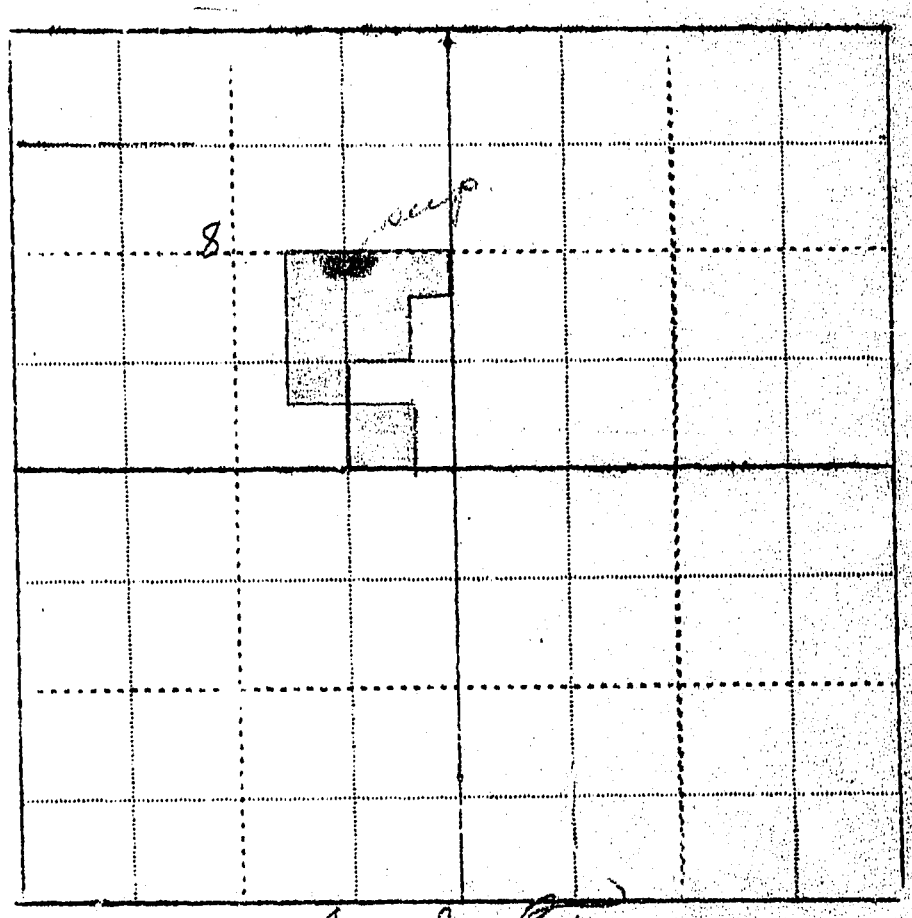
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Amos L. Trace Address 1310 W 2 St. Santa Ana, Calif.
2. Stream Italian Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding open ditch
6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated 73
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ~~73~~ 68
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System good
12. Land Description Frac. SE¼ Sec. 8, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Has 16½ shares in Italian Ditch all irrigated from Italian ditch



WITNESS: Letter

Information by A. L. Trace

Place Office - 1/15/43

Auburn Wash Dec 17/42

Mr G J Brewerty
Billin Mont

Dear Sir
I in Hospital Here for
10 weeks I be here for
some time yet I may be
in Seiel before I go home
if not I write you when
I'm home If go to Seiel
I call I see you I did not
I thus in Big dick

I remain Yours

A L Tree
21 box 20
Auburn Wash

FORM SM-1 8 H.

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Hill Source of Information Photo + Ownership map

1. Water User Amos L. Grace Address 1310 W. 2 St. Santa Anna Calif

2. Stream Italian Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

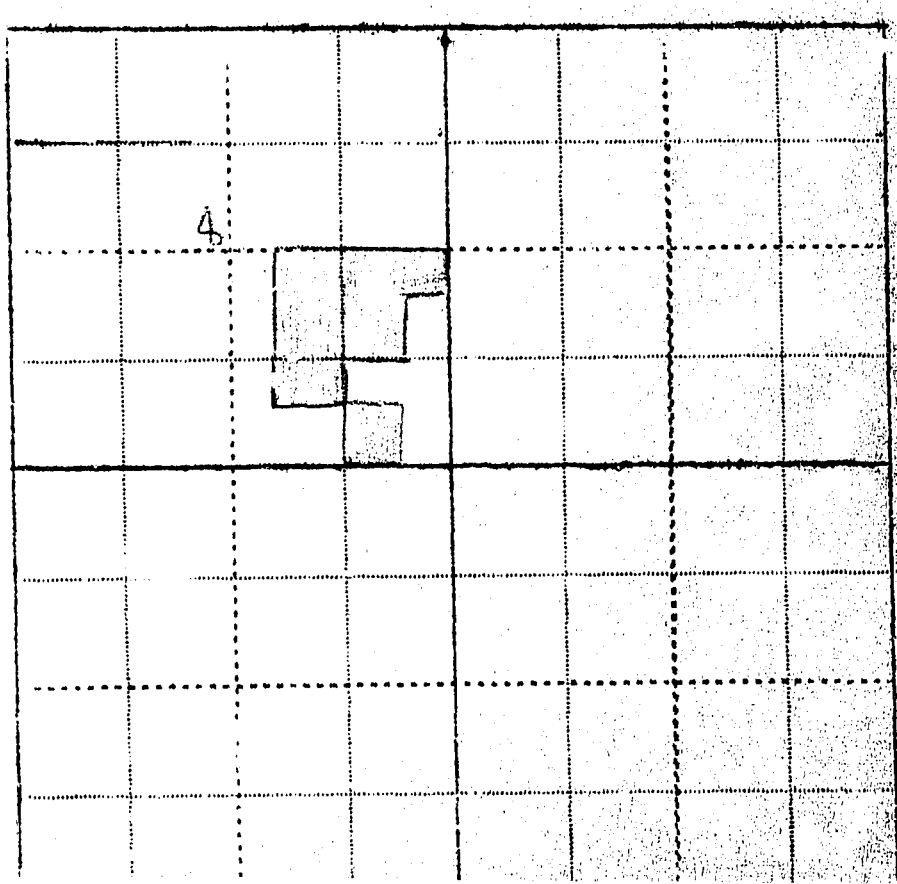
9. Present Use: Year 1952 Acres Irrigated 73 A.

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Ne. SE¼ Sec 8, T 25, R 24 E.

Remarks: 16½ shares in ditch all irrigated from Italian



Billings,
xxxxxxx
December 1, 1942

Mr. Amos L. Trace
1310 W. 2nd St.
Santa Anna , Calif.

Dear Mr. Trace:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue.

Second: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is not idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated. If you cannot give us the desired information it may be that you can tell us of some one who can.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SW-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

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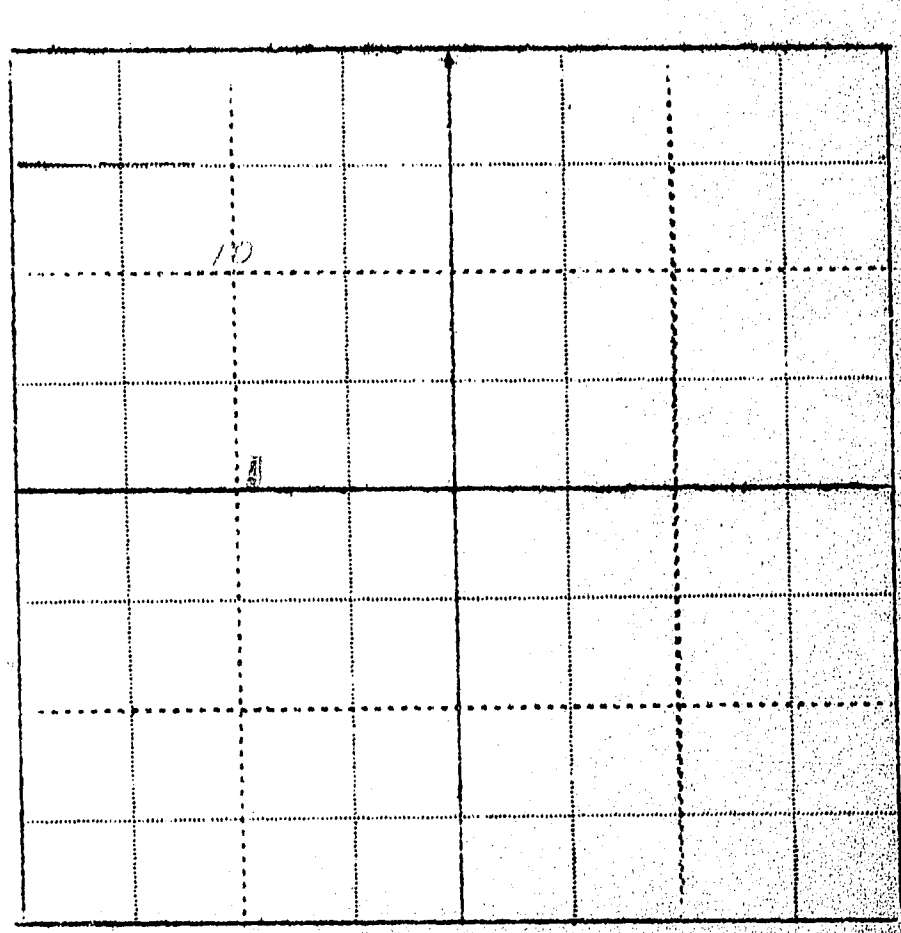
County Stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Amos Trace To M. J. Nelson Address ?
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Small ditch
5. Type of Irrigation Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Address _____
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated .43
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated .43
9. Present Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated .43
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System Fair
12. Land Description Frac. NW¼ Sec 10, T 28, R 24E.

Remarks:

2 shown in Big Ditch



WITNESS: G.H.C. Oct. 14, 1942

Information by Phone

Place Billings Mont.

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership + Photo

1. Water User Grace M. Trees Address Laurel

✓ 2. Stream Davis Ditch Tributary to Yel R. Basin Yel.

Same as ditch Co.

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ____ Township ____ Range ____

4. Description of System Headgates & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity

6. Original Appropriator Mason Canal Address Laurel

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated ____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 8 acres

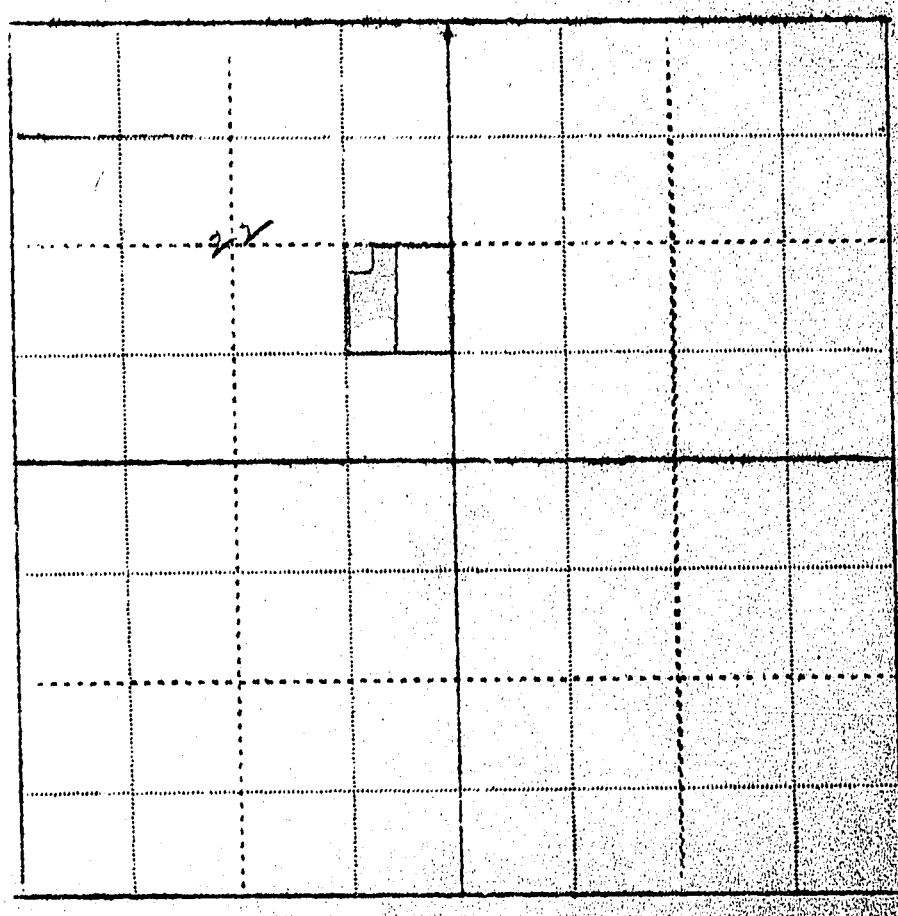
10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned ____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description 15 Am 18 [illegible] Sec 22, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

Sold to A. N. Norton he has 25 shares in the Davis ditch all irrigated from Davis ditch



WITNESS: [signature]

Information by Ditch Co. + A. N. Norton

Place Billings April 12, 1943

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Billings,
xxxxxxx
December 2, 1942

Miss Grace M. Trees
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Trees:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the information necessary to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The land that is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: From what ditch do you irrigate and how many shares do you have in this ditch?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1943

Miss Grace M. Trees
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Trees:

On December 2, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development of the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 549.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If you cannot supply us with the information we request, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravets
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh

Reed Point, Mont.
April 5

Dear Sir

In reguards to the letter of Mar 26. You may get the information you desire. by writing to A. N. Norton. Silesia. Mont. I sold my land to him over a year ago.

very truly yours.
Grace M. Trees

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Gallatin Source of Information ACA 1097

1. Water User Elizabeth Hamberg Address Laurel, Mont

2. Stream Canyon Creek Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated 13.2

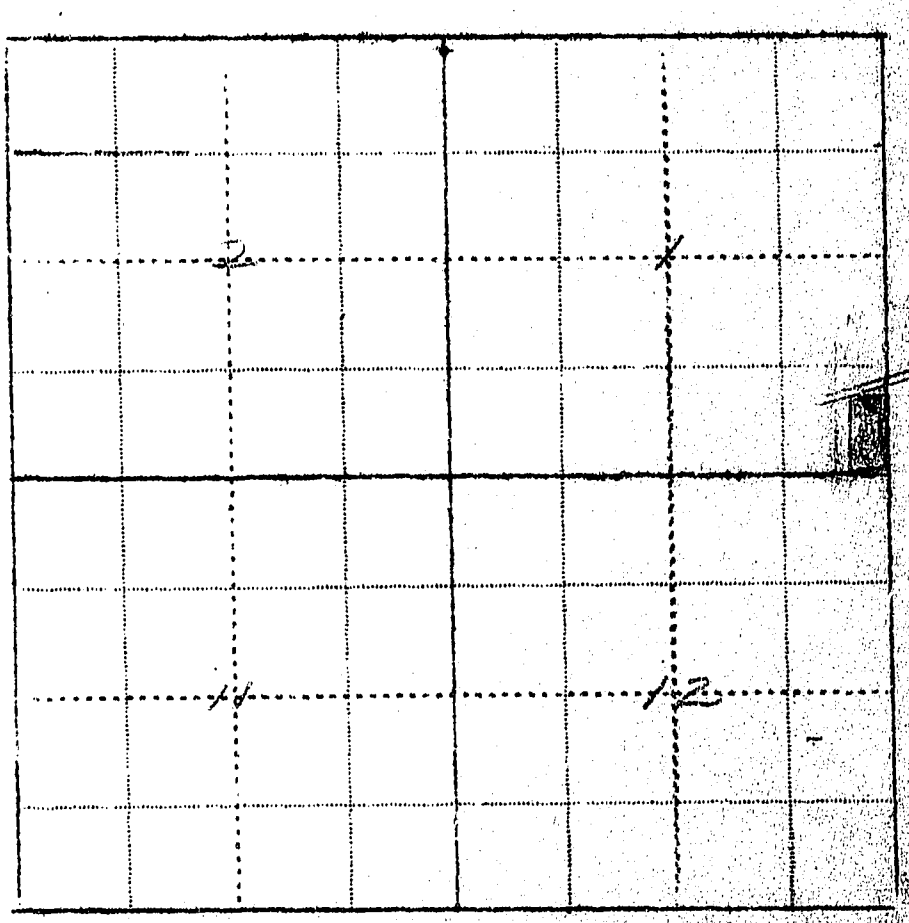
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 10.5

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Ins. SE¼SE¼ Sec 1, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: _____



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

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Billings,
Oct. 27, 1942

Elizabeth Vanberg
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Vanberg:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. Two adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state. This agreement when reached will vitally affect each and every water user in the the Yellowstone Basin.

Much of the information needed to show the extent of water use must come directly from those using water. We are therefore asking you to help us. We would like to know if the information we have for your land is correct, also from what ditch you get your water to irrigate.

If our information is not correct please give us the correct information by writing it in under remarks on the inclosed form.

In order to facilitate the work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School building in Billings.

If this is not clear we will appreciate your calling on us.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Cravetz
Engineer in Charge

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Billings,
November 20, 1942

Elizabeth Vanberg
Laurel, Montana

Dear Miss Vanberg:

On October 27 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A.A.A. #1098

1. Water User Emmett Vaughan Address Laurel, Montana

2. Stream High & Big ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation Flood & row type

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch Address —

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated ✓

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated ✓

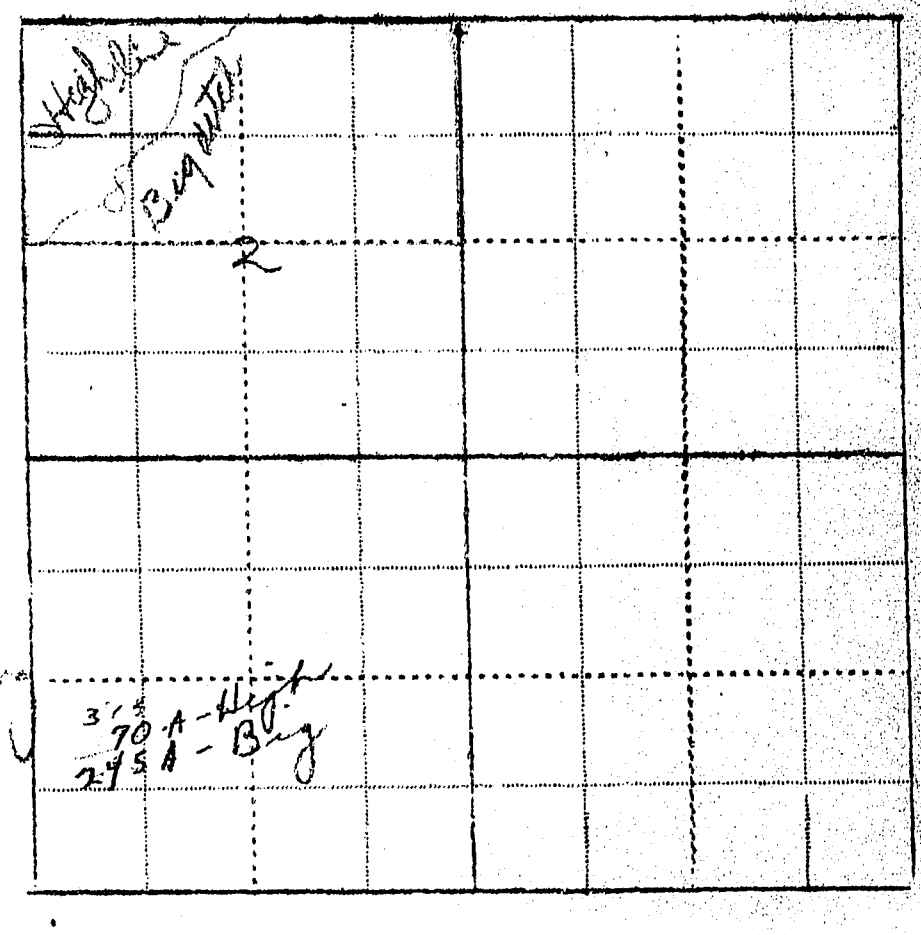
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 315

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Excellent

12. Land Description N2 Sec 2, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: If you get water from more than one ditch outline the area irrigated from each ditch. We get water from both High line & Big ditch. The High line is a [illegible] of the Big Ditch. 70 acres high 245 Big



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Billings,
Oct. 26, 1942

Emmett Vaughn
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Vaughn

We are making a survery of all the irrigated land in the Yellowstone drainage basin. The purpose of this survey is to find the total irrigated acres in this basin. The findings are to be presented to the Yellowstone River Compact Commission.

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We are therefore asking you to help us. On the inclosed form you will find a map of your farm showing 315 acres irrigated. We would like to know if this information is correct and from what ditch you get your water to irrigate. If you have any land that is seeped and is no longer irrigated please irricate that area on the map. If our information is not correct please give us the correct information under remarks on the inclosed form.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very turly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

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Billings,
November 6, 1942

Emmett Vaughn
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Vaughn:

On October 26th we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land. To date we have not heard from you. It is necessary that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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If this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

go/rh

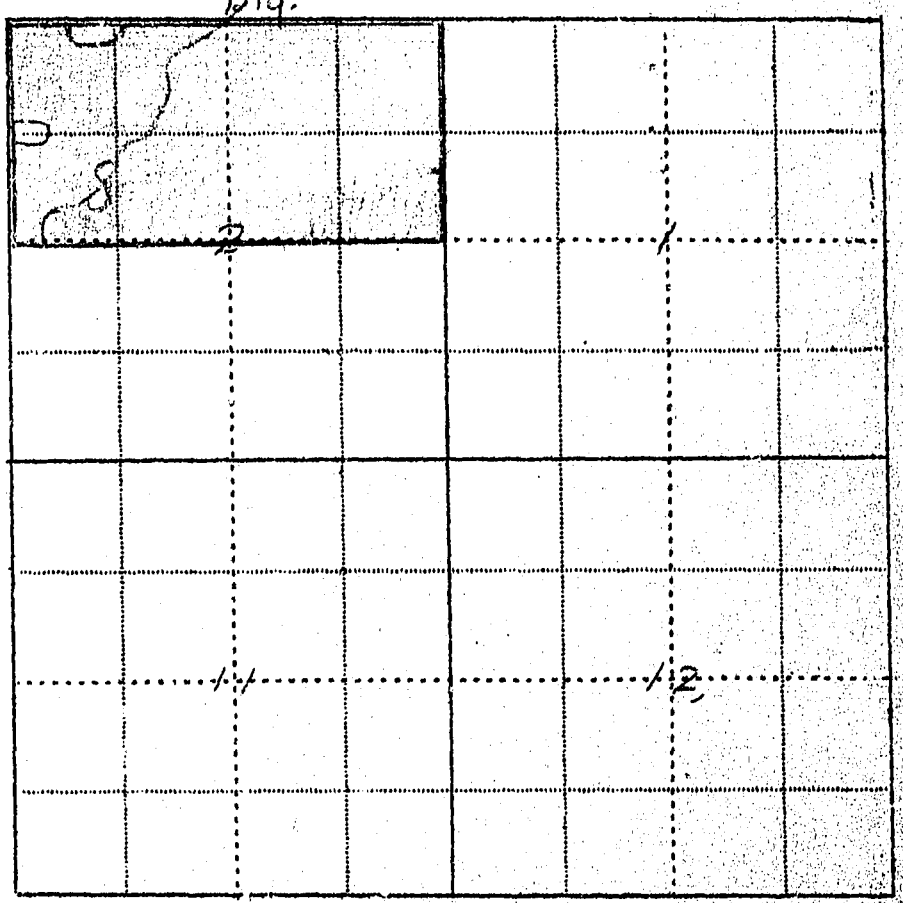
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information A.A.A. #1098

1. Water User Emmett Vaughn Address Laurel Mont
2. Stream ..... Tributary to ..... Basin .....
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....
4. Description of System .....
5. Type of Irrigation .....
6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....
7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....
8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~281.7~~ 315.
10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....
11. Condition of System .....
12. Land Description N² Sec 2, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: 30 acres added on information of L. M. Hunter. This 30 is in SE NE¼ & is a grove of tree.



WITNESS: G. J. O.

Information by L. M. Hunter

Place Office 11/12/42

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FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User ~~C.A. Perry~~ E.W. Vaught Address Laurel

2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Yelstn R Basin

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System Small ditch + Box

5. Type of Irrigation Row type Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big ditch's Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated ✓ always irr.

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

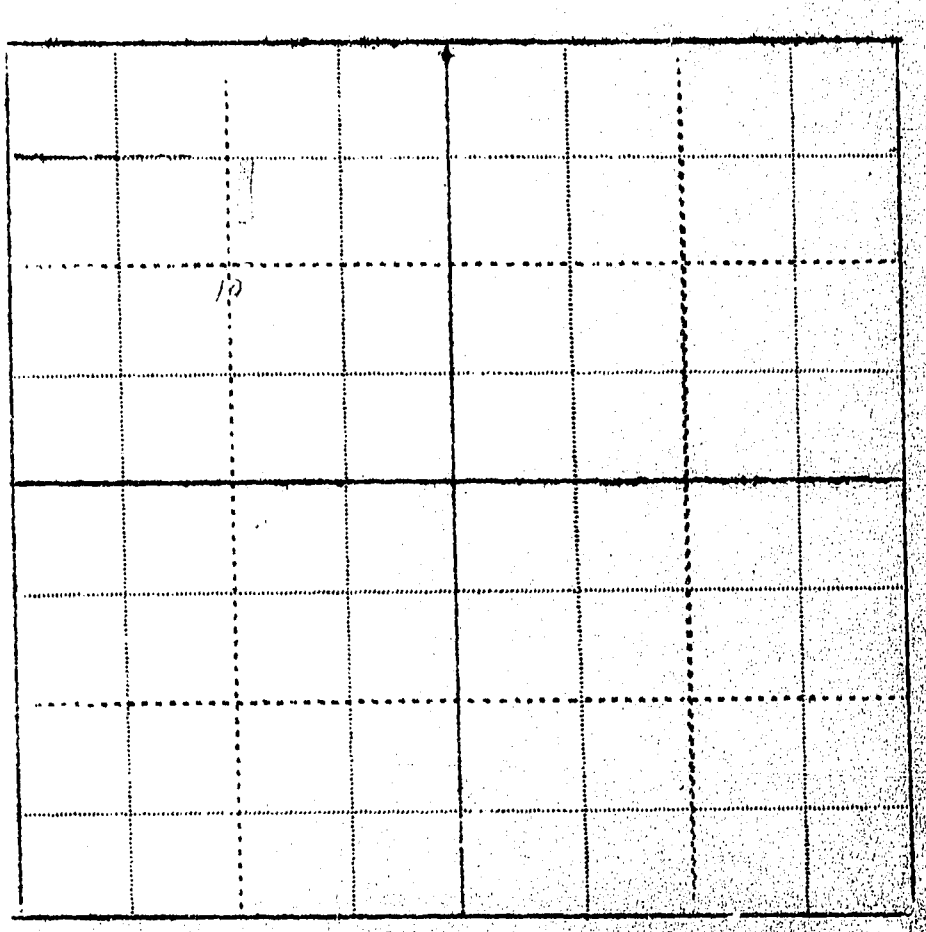
11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac SW NE¼ Sec 10, T 28, R 24E.

Remarks:

Interverified by phone 10/14/42

2 shares in Big



WITNESS: Mrs. Booker Information by Phone

Oct 14, 1942 Place Billings, Mont.

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FORM SM-1 10F

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership, Ditch Co.

1. Water User Nowell Vaught Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

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 8 A in farm

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

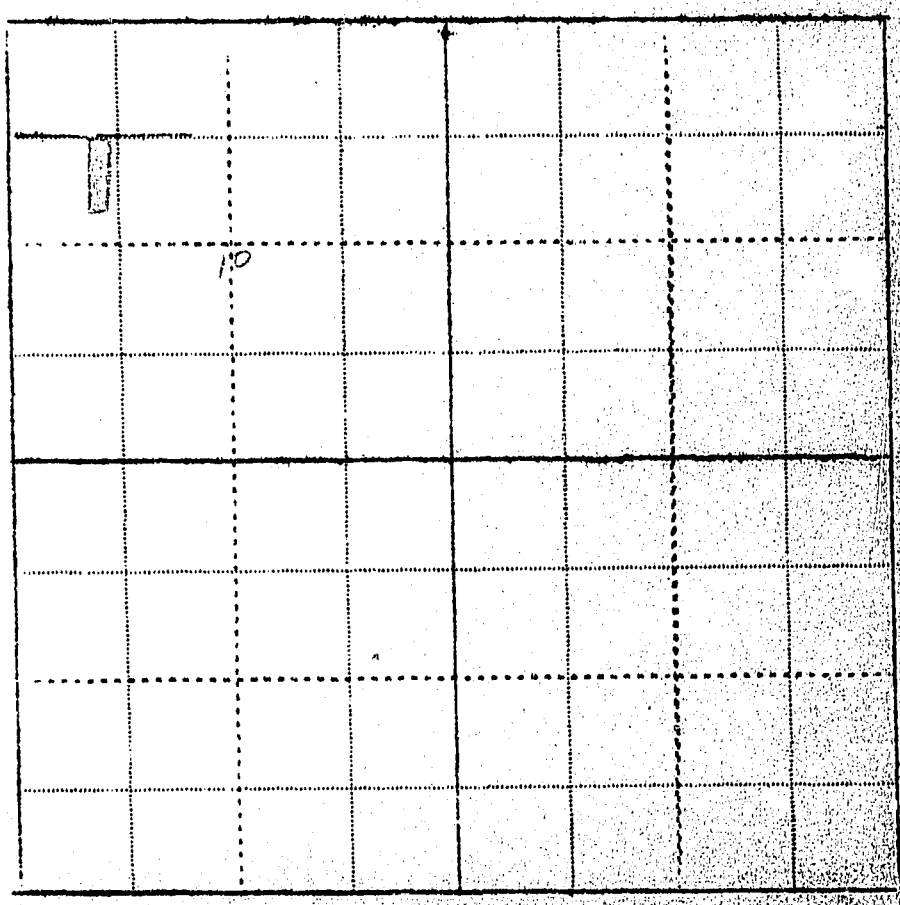
11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Frac S NW¼ Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Has 1 share Big Ditch

See other sheet



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

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Oct. 14, 1942

Nowell Vought
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Vought:

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 549.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all the water rights in the state. In Compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water. This survey will cover all water uses and will include water rights established by use only as well as those which are recorded or decreed.

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already complied records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin, for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state.

We are therefore asking you to help us. The inclosed form is being sent to you for informationpertaining to your use of water on the land therein described. Our record shows that you own 8 acres in the S½NW¼ of Section 10 Township 2 S, Range 24 E. and that it is all irrigated. The source of water being the Big Ditch.

We would like to know if the above statement is correct. Please write under remarks on the enclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct give us the correct information, and return the form to us. Any additional information pertaining to your land that you may give us will be greatly appreciated.

Inclosed you will find a self addressed envelope which does not require any postage.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership - Ditch Co.

1. Water User Norvell Vaught Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Big Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & Lateral

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Co. Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 8 ac

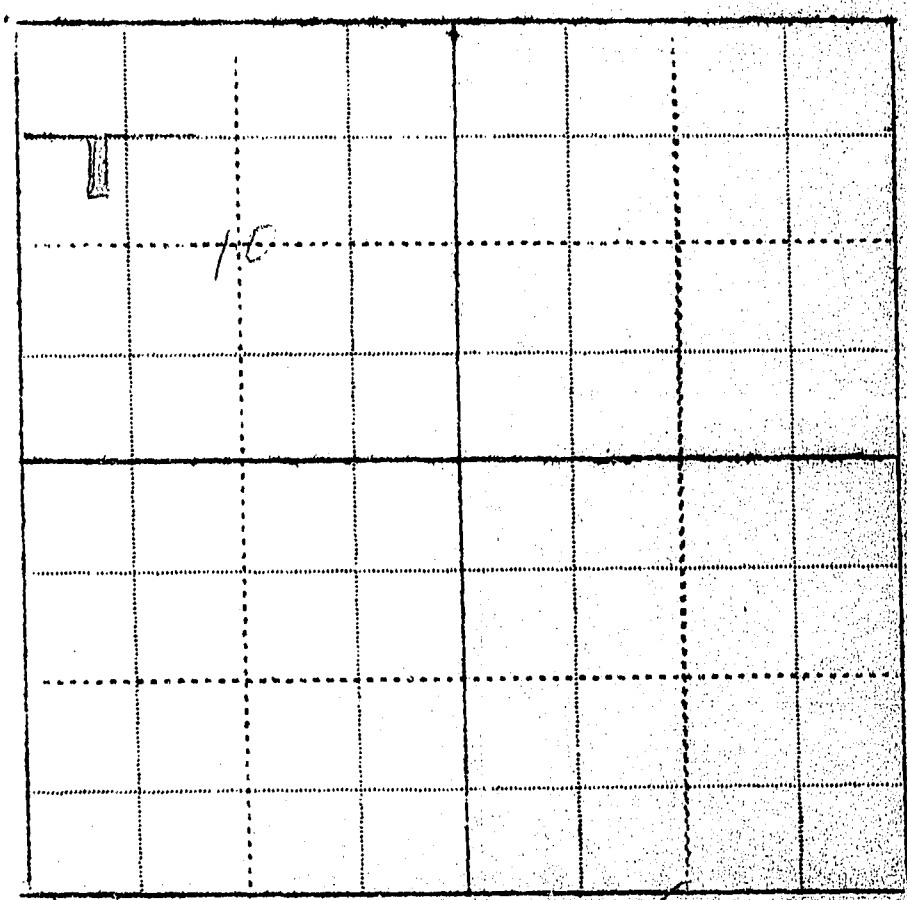
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Frac. S2 NW4 Sec 10, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: Have 1 share in Big Ditch.

This is all correct.



WITNESS: W. C. LaPaar Information by Mrs N. E. Vaught

Place Laurel Montana

FORM SM-1 16 J

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership & photo

1. Water User Chas A Walker Address 164 Arthur St. Minneapolis

2. Stream Italian Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Small ditch.

5. Type of Irrigation Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated —

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated —

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 5

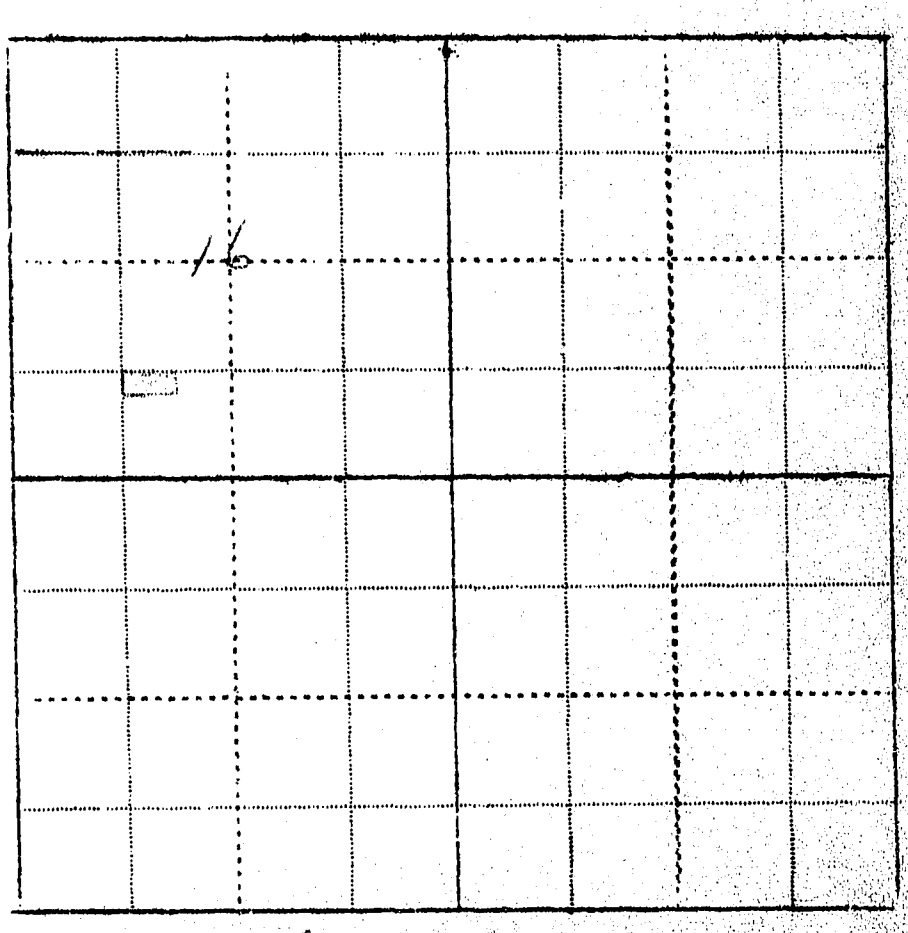
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description N½ NW¼ SE SW¼ Sec 16, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

diffinitely irrigated
no shares in ditch



WITNESS: Y.J.O. Information by Contact by car

Place & neighbors

Laurel Mont.

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FORM SM-1 33D

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 1106

1. Water User C. A. Warner Address Billings, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ Big 4 Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin Yell.

3. Point of Diversion SW¼SW¼ Section 33 Township 2S Range 24E

4. Description of System Pump + Headgate + Laterals

5. Type of Irrigation artificial

6. Original Appropriator C. A. Warner Address and E. M. Coombs

7. First Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year ____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~[illegible]~~ 105

10. Last Use: Year ____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System Good

12. Land Description Lots 5, 6, 7 NW¼SE¼, Sec 33, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks:

Big 4 ditch
Owns 1/5 of stock
in ditch Co or 200 shares
Has private
Pump.
first use 1935
3 inch pump
12 or 13 acres
irrigated from
pump
Information
correct.
Did not file appropriation on pump, just started using water

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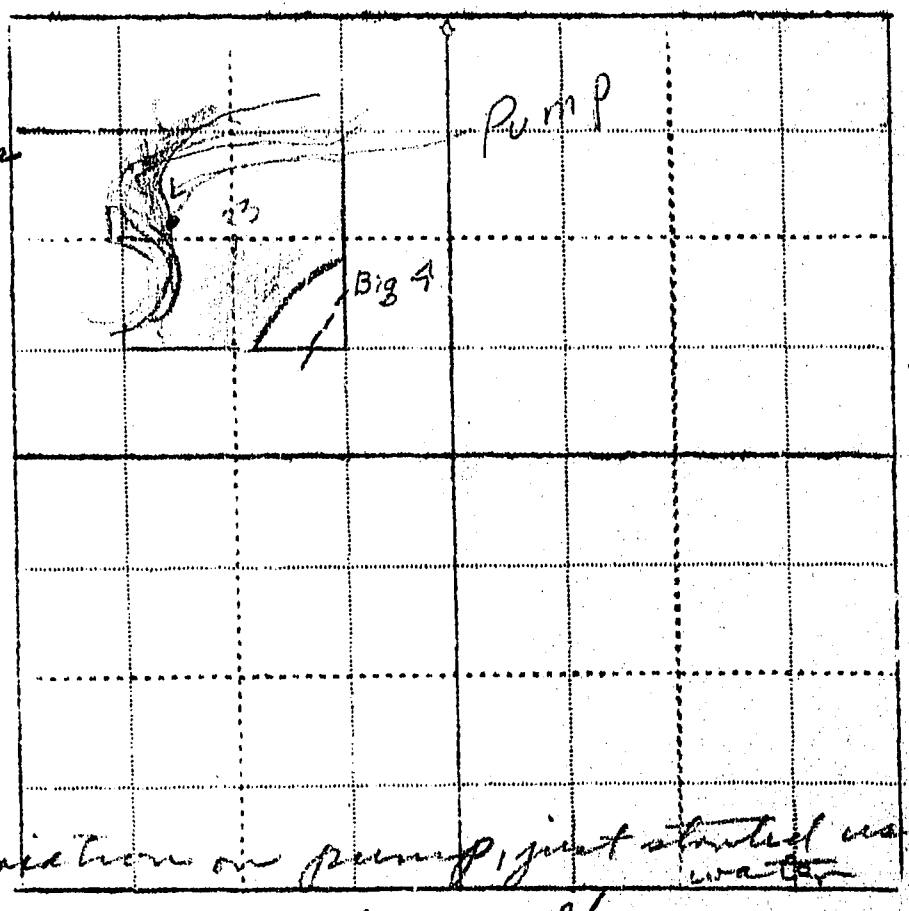

WITNESS: S. Oranch Information by C. A. Warner

Nov 27, 1942 Place Billings

Big 4 - 93
12

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Sec 28(9) 32

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Please Do Not Fill in Any Items on This Page

Notice of Appropriation

1. County Also Carbon Co. Yellowstone Book L Page 318 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator E. M. Coombs Address Carbon Co., Mont.
3. Date Appropriated April 1, 1912 Date Filed June 1, 1912

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 3000, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Big Slough Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion A dam across an arm of said river known as Big Slough at a point about 300 ft. east of the intersection of said slough with West line of

   Sec. 2 Twp. 3 So. Rge. 23 E. Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigation and domestic
7. Description of System Dam and ditch about 4 ft. wide on bottom, 4 ft. deep and to conduct water to said land by means of said ditch and pumping outfit.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, Sec. 2; NW¼, Sec. 1; Frac. Sections 11 & 12, 3 South 23 East (Not Yellowstone Co.)

   Frac. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 3 South, 24 East (Sec. 6 & 7 not Yellowstone)

   Frac. Sections 28, 29, 31, 32 2 South 24 East
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Transcribed from Water Right Record Book 3, page 204 Carbon Co. Records.

   Water appropriated March 25, 1912 (1912)

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

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FORM SM-1 167 102

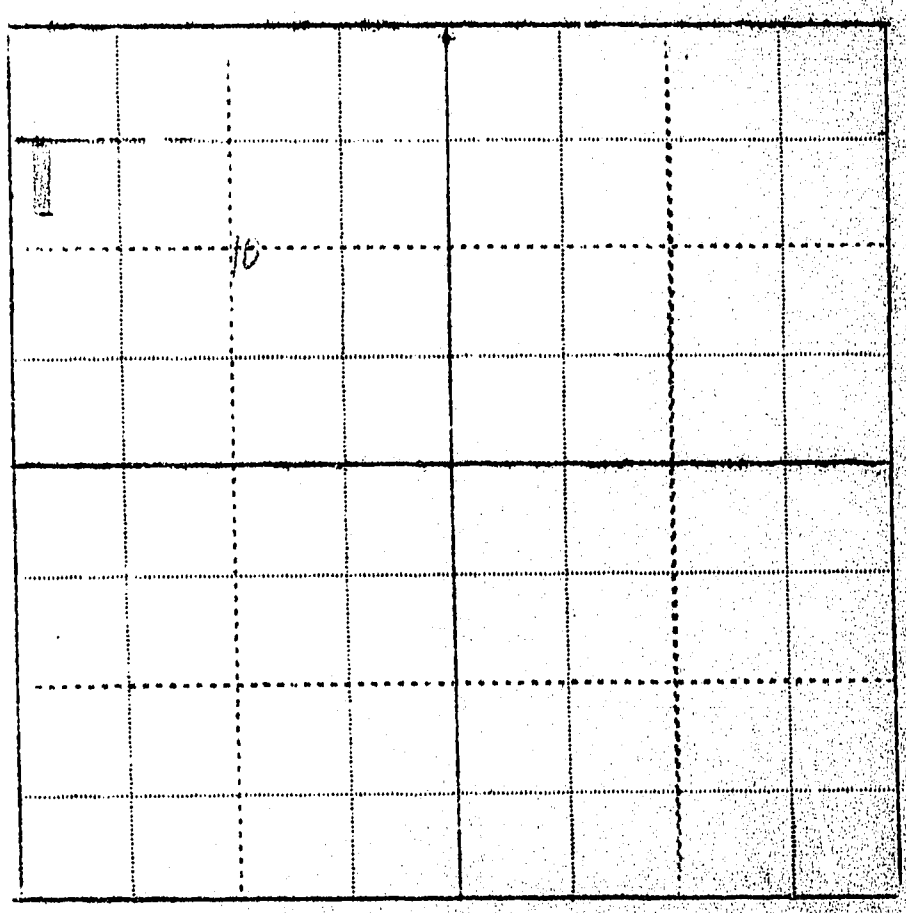
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Ownership

1. Water User Mrs. John Weipert Address Laurel
2. Stream Big Ditch Tributary to Yellowstone Basin
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Small ditch + Headgate
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Co. Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated —
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated —
9. Present Use: Year Acres Irrigated 4 in farm not irr for last 2 years
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Frac S½NW¼ Sec 10, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Still paying water rent, but have not used water for 2 years
Info given by Mrs. Weipert's granddaughter



WITNESS: Mrs. Booker

Information by Phone

Place Billings, Mont.

Oct. 14, 1942

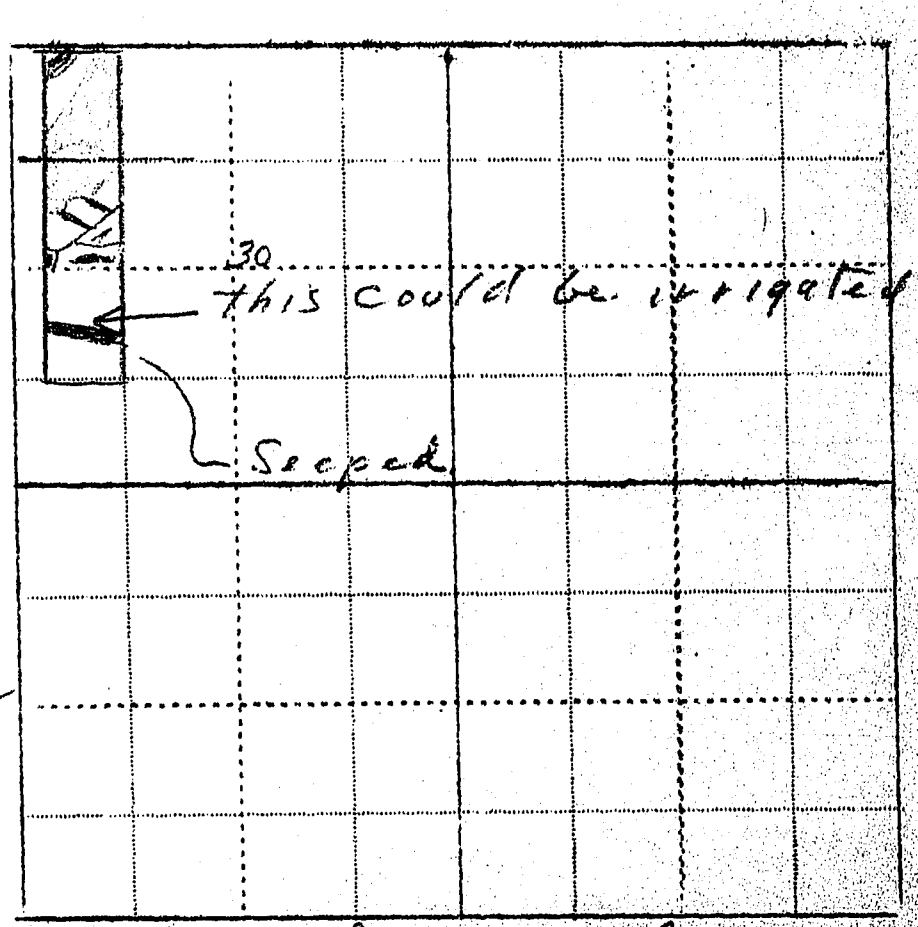
FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Wan Wilkerson Address Laurel
2. Stream Old Mill Ditch Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate & Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Old Mill Ditch Address
7. First Use: Year 1923 Acres Irrigated 39
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated Same each year.
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 39
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned —
11. Condition of System Fair
12. Land Description Lots 1, 2, 3, Sec. 30, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Has 9 Shares in Old Mill Ditch All land is irrigated from the old Mill ditch Could irrigate 10 acres more if had additional ditch + More Water Have about 4 acres that are seeped



WITNESS: Letter
[signature]

Information by Wan Wilkerson
Place Laurel Mont
Dec 12, 1942

FORM SM-1 30

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 2326

1. Water User Wan Wilkerson Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Old Mill ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

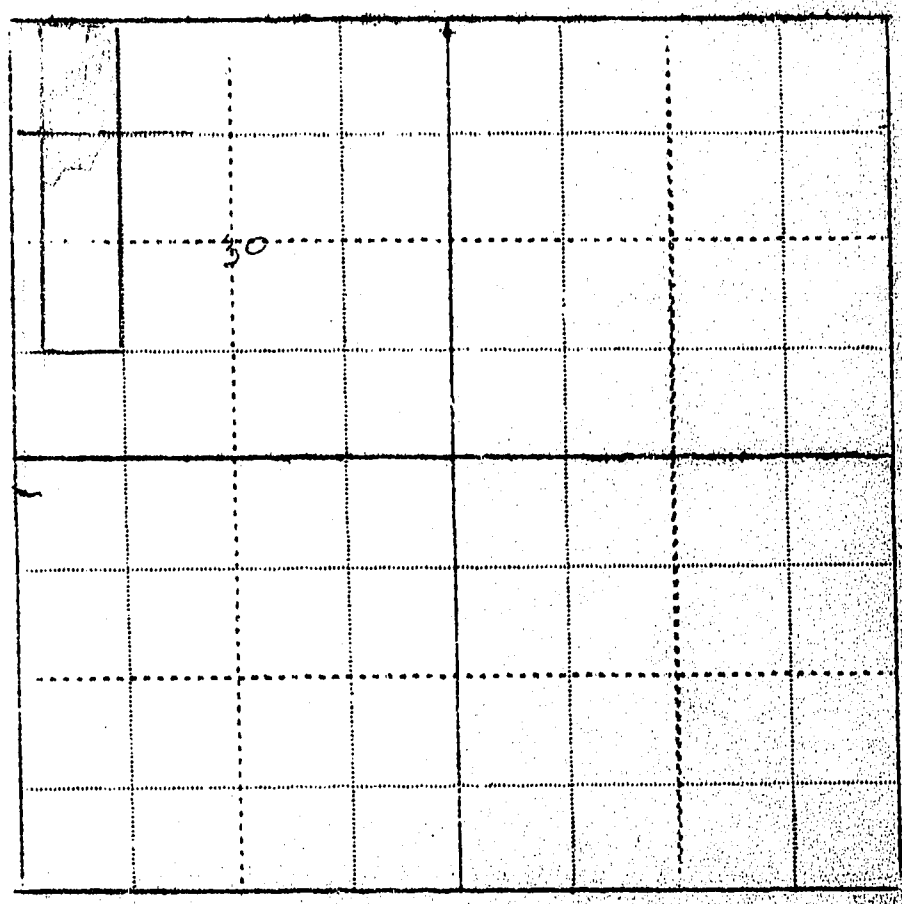
9. Present Use: Year [illegible] Acres Irrigated 39.

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lots 1, 2, 3 Sec 30, T 28, R 24E

Remarks: Has 9 shares in old Mill Ditch



WITNESS: Letter Information by _____

Place _____

Billings,
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December 2, 1942

Mr. Wan Wilkerson
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Wilkerson:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the information necessary to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The part of your land that is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravets
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User T. L. Wilkins Address Laurel

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to Clark fork Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section south of the bridge at Silesia Township Range

4. Description of System Flood System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator I was one 41 years ag 1902 Address

7. First Use: Year 1902 Acres Irrigated around 1200

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated (1) 42.8 (2) 59.7 102.5

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System good

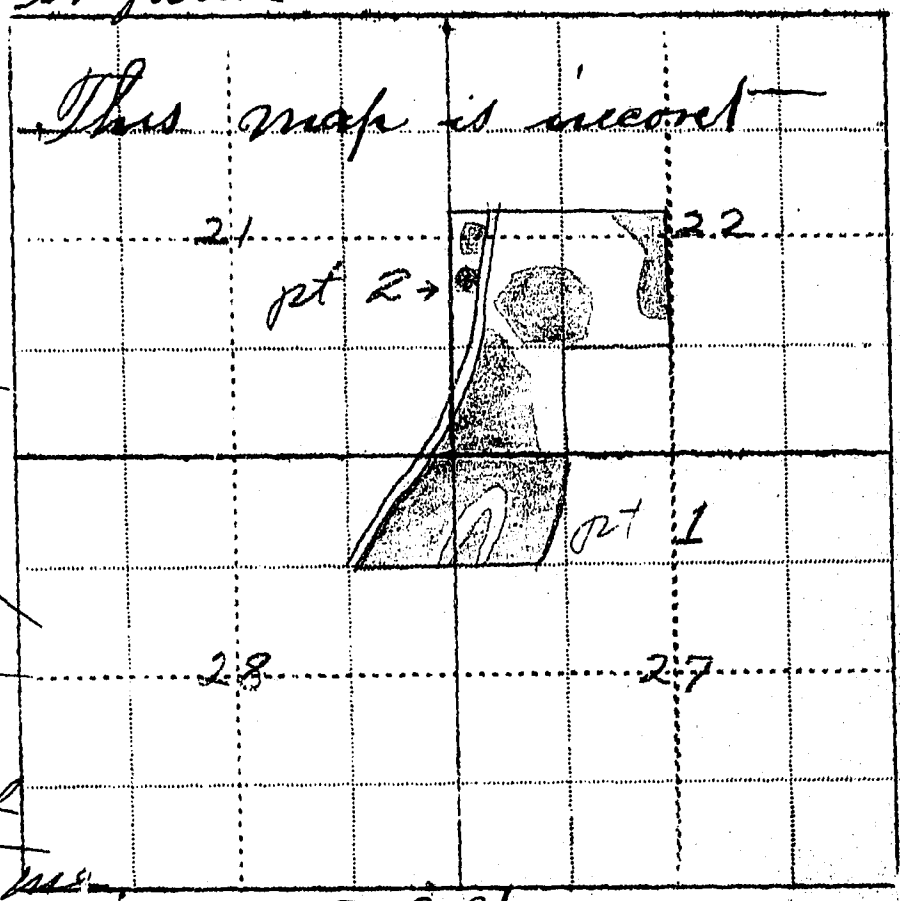
12. Land Description (1) Lot 5, Sec. 27, Frac NE¼NE¼, Sec. 28 2S 24E
(2) S½S½NW¼, N½SW¼, SW¼SW¼, Sec. 22, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Hor This Ditch is known as the Danford irrigation district

90.89 Sherwin

Mason Canal

This map is incorrect



I think this had better be cut out, as farmers have more trouble at present, than they can wallow under, and how water can be taken from farmers who have a water right for 40 to 60 years, gets me.

WITNESS: Letter Information by T. L. Wilkins

Place

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA- 1008-1009.

1. Water User T. L. Wilkins Address Laurel.

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

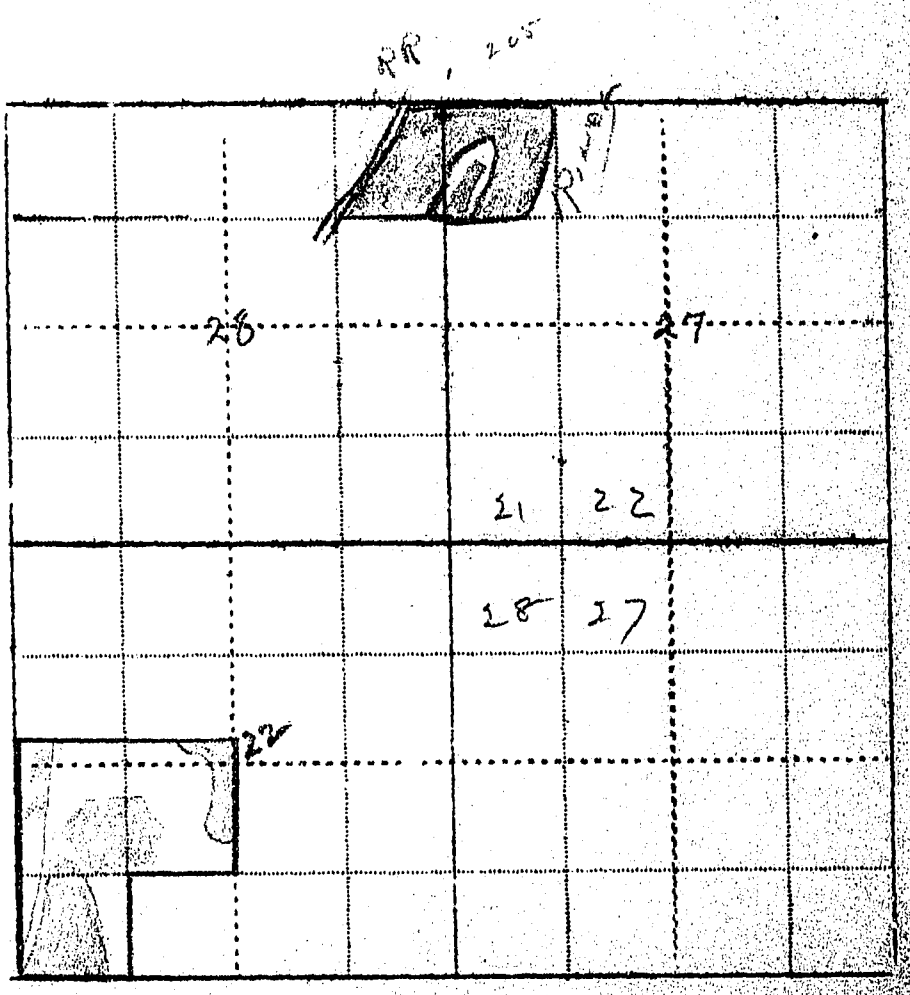
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 42.9 59.7 = 102.5

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned 28 / 14.8

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lot 5, Sec 27, Frac. NE NE¼, Sec 28 - 2S - 2E; S²S²NW¼, N²Sw¼, Sw Sw¼ Sec 22; T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: Has 90.89 shares in Mason Canal



WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

George Mahlon, Laurel, Tenant.

P. 205 207

Billings,
xxxxxxxx
December 1, 1942

Mr. T. L. Wilkins
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Wilkins:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

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Second: Is all of your land irrigated from the Mason Canal? If not will you please indicate what portion of your land is under another ditch and tell us the number of shares and acres in the second ditch company.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1

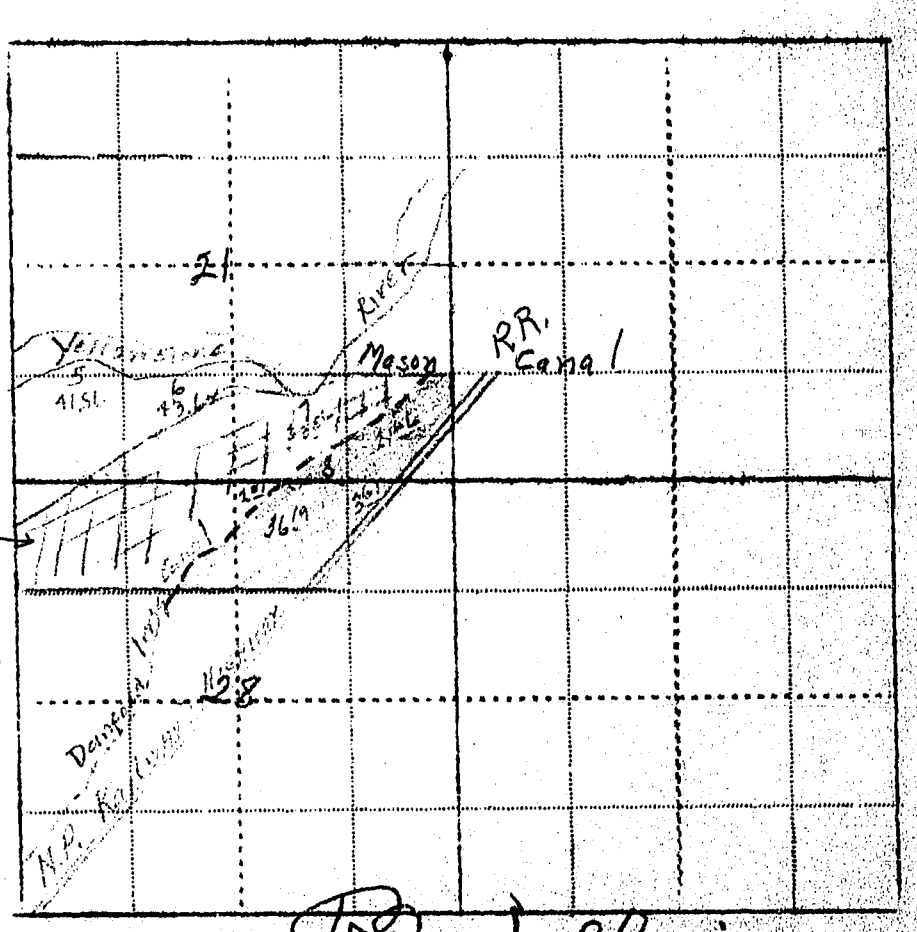
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User Mrs. Alma Williams Address Laurel
2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgate + Ditch
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Danford Irri. Dist. Address
7. First Use: Year 1902 Acres Irrigated 97 - railroad came in and took some
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated Same for righaway
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated ~~93.66~~ 79.46
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned potential 125
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description S½S½ Sec. 21, N½N½ Sec. 28, T 2S, R 24E W of R. R.

Remarks:

Pays for water from Mason Canal In Sec. 28 - $49.46 Sec. 21 - $37.67 All Land irrigated from Mason Canal This land can be irrigated - and is a sandy loam soil.



Henry Conrad Silesia, Tenant

WITNESS: Letter G. Oranetz

Information by R. Williams

Place Billings Office

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FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA 1006 A

1. Water User Mrs Alma Williams Address Laurel.

2. ~~Stream~~ Mason Canal Tributary to _____ Basin Yel

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 93.66

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

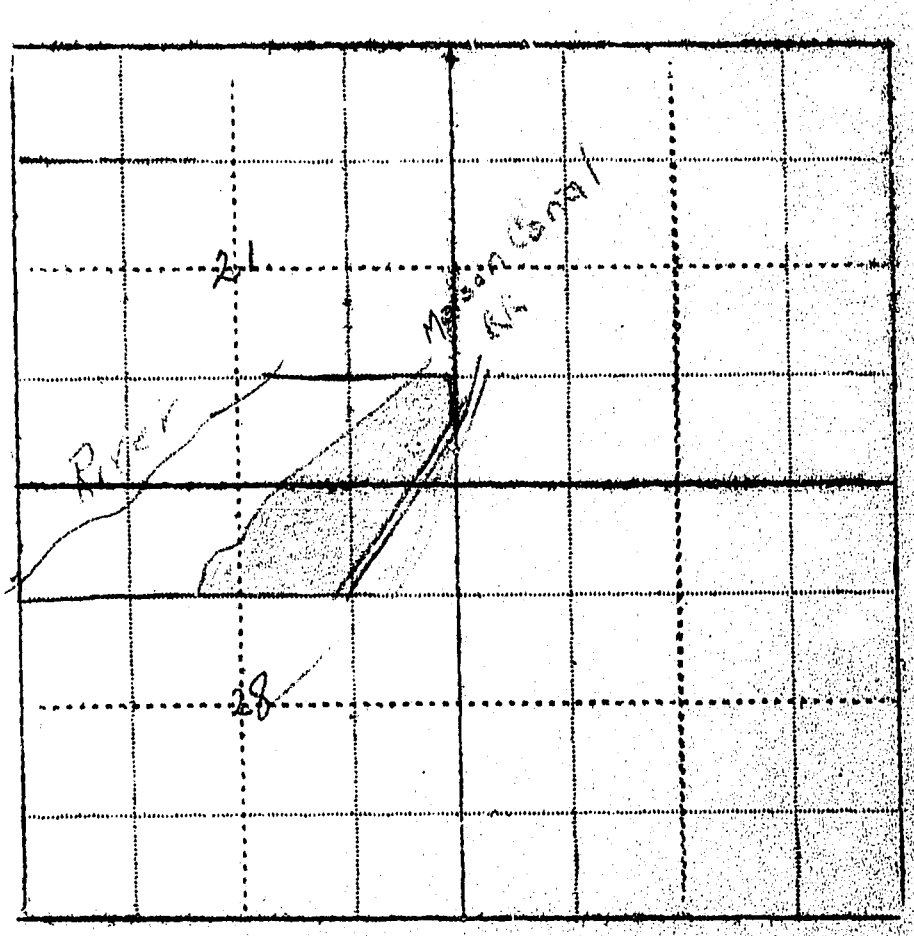
12. Land Description S² S² Sec. 21, N² N² Sec. 28, T 2 S, R 24 E.
W of R.R.

Remarks:

Pays for water from Mason

Sec. 28 - $49.96

Sec. 21 - $37.67



Henry Conrad, Silesia
Tenant

WITNESS: _____ Information by _____

Place _____

P 205

Billings,
xxxxxxx
December 1, 1942

Mrs. Alma Williams
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mrs. Williams:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the information necessary to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The part of your land that is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3177.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravatz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

FORM SM-1 8 P.

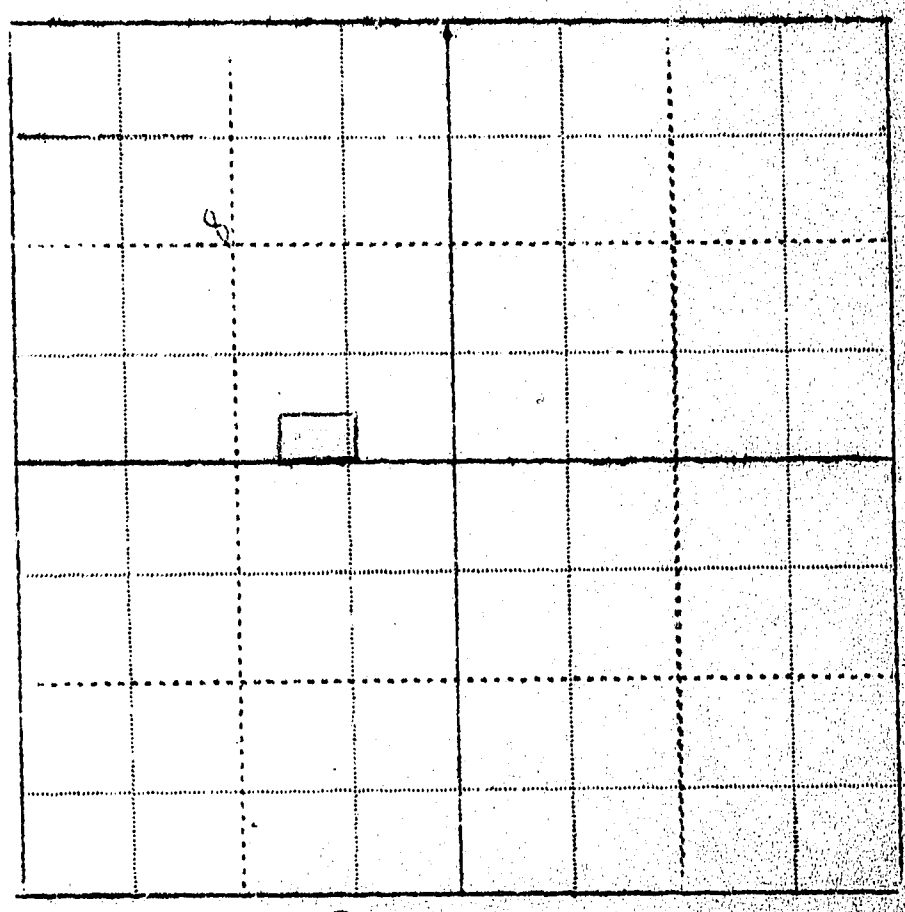
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Y'stone Source of Information Photo & Ownership

1. Water User Wiltz, Gossie Address 510 W. Peru St. Princeton, Ill.
2. Stream Italian ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
4. Description of System Headgates & ditches
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity
6. Original Appropriator Italian ditch, Address _____
7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 15 A
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____
11. Condition of System Good
12. Land Description Frac SW SE, Sec 8, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: Hor 9

Shares under ditch



WITNESS: Setter Information by Gosse G. Wiltz

Place Princeton Illinois

Dec. 1, 1942

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Billings,
Oct. 15, 1942

Gossie Wiltz
510 W. Peru St.
Princeton Ill.

Dear Gossie Wiltz:

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all the water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water. This survey will cover all water uses and will include water rights established by use only as well as those which are recorded or decreed.

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota to negotiate and enter into a compact or agreement for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River between the respective states. The Yellowstone River Compact Commission has been created and authorized to draw up this agreement. The adjoining states have already compiled records of their water use in the Yellowstone Basin for the protection of their rights. It is therefore necessary that we do the same in Montana in order to protect the rights of the water users in our state.

We are therefore asking you to help us. Our records show that you own 15 acres in the SWSE* of section 8, and that it is all irrigated from the Italian ditch in which you own 9 shares of water.

We would like to know if the above statement is correct, Please write under remarks on the inclosed form if our record is correct, if not correct give us the correct information, and return the form to us. Any information you may give us pertaining to your land will be greatly appreciated.

Inclosed you will find a self addressed envelope which does not require any postage.

Taking this time to thank you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Ass't Engineer

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Billings,
November 20, 1942

Gossie Wiltz
510 W. Peru St.
Princeton, Illinois

Dear Gossie Wiltz:

On October 15th we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land. To date we have not heard from you. It is necessary that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin and to insure present and future development in irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. If you cannot supply us with the information we requested, it may be that you can tell us of someone who can.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Cravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJC/rh

Wiltz, Gosse

Princeton, Illinois.
December. 1st, 1942.

Mr. Gerald J. Oravetz. Asst. Eng.
State Engineer. Office
State of Montana.
Billings, Montana.

Dear Mr. Oravetz;

I am sure that I answered your last letter regarding the water on my fifteen acres which is under the Italian Ditch Company's water right.

This tract is farm ground and is located on the north side of the highway just west of the city limits of Laurel Montana.

If you will let me know just what you want to know I shall be glad to co-operate any way I can.

You might also contact M. John Harding who is secy.-treas. of the Italian Ditch Company, at Park City, Montana. He may be able to help you on others besides my land.

Sincerely.

Gosse G. Wiltz

Gosse G. Wiltz.

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Mrs. Geiger - a neighbor

1. Water User Ruby W Winters Address Farmel

2. Stream Spring Creek Tributary to Yellowstone Basin Yellowstone

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range

4. Description of System

5. Type of Irrigation

6. Original Appropriator Address

7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated

8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated

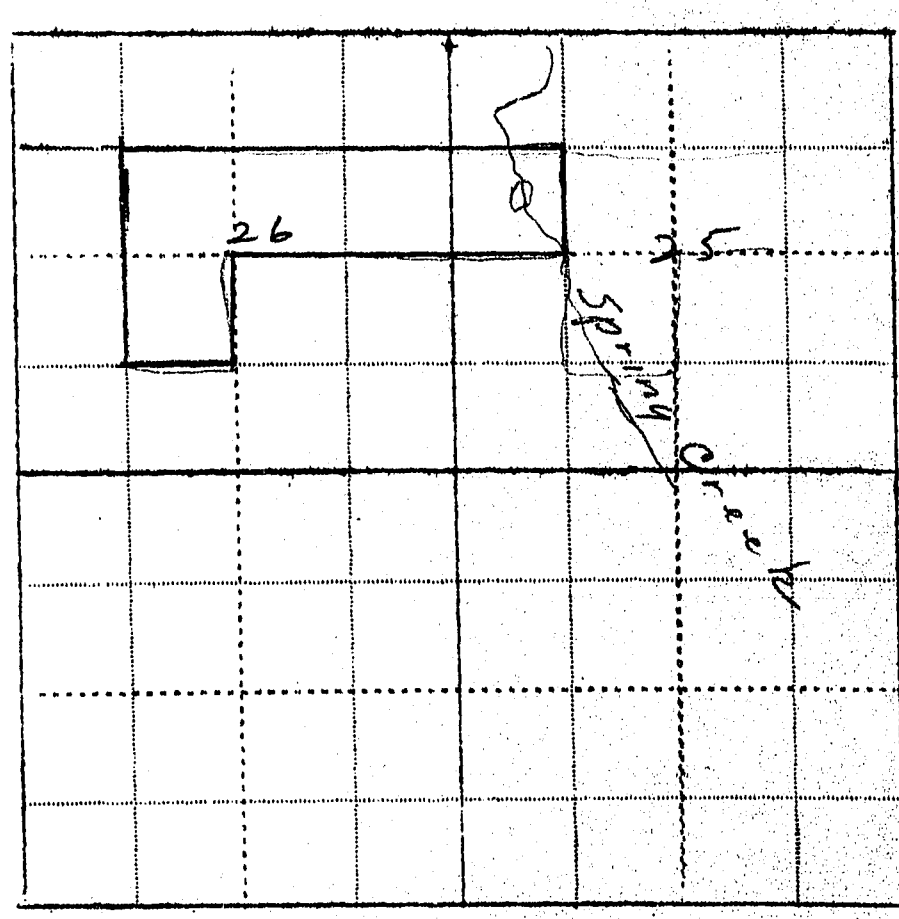
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 1 acre

10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned

11. Condition of System

12. Land Description Sec 26 & 25, T 28, R 24E.

Remarks: Has garden and strawberries. about 1 acre. all irrigated out of Spring Creek + Ruby W. Winters in A. A. A. office



WITNESS: E.J.O.

Information by Neighbor

Place Billings, Mont

FORM SM-1

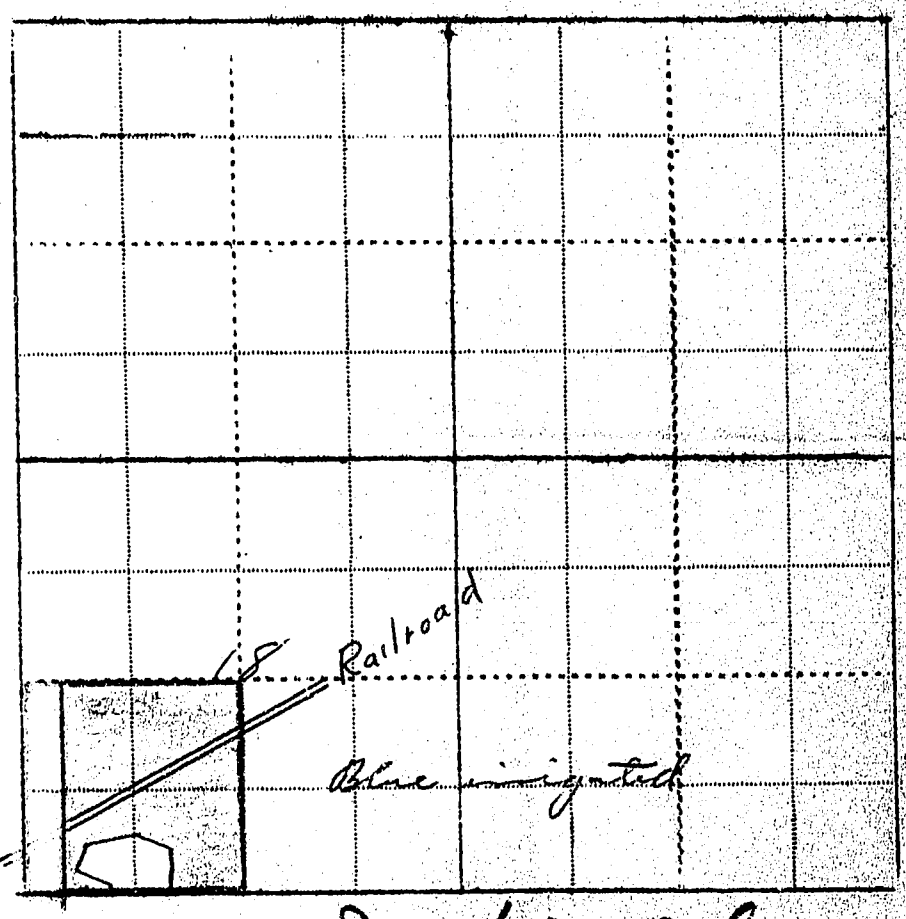
A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

1. Water User J. A. Wold Address Laurel Mont
2. ~~Stream~~ Italian Ditch ~~Tributary to~~ Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System
5. Type of Irrigation Artificial
6. Original Appropriator Italian Ditch Address
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 149 125
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System
12. Land Description Lots 3 & 4, E½ SW¼ Sec 18, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks:

This being a short ½ and as the N P R R takes 150 ft across the ½ I think 125 A is about what we farm.



WITNESS: Information by J O Wold and Samuel

Place

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information Ownership & Plats

1. Water User C. S. Wold Address Laurel

2. Stream Italian Ditch Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System Headgate & Lat.

5. Type of Irrigation Gravity Flooding

6. Original Appropriator Italian Ditch Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

9. Present Use: Year 1942 Acres Irrigated 5

10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

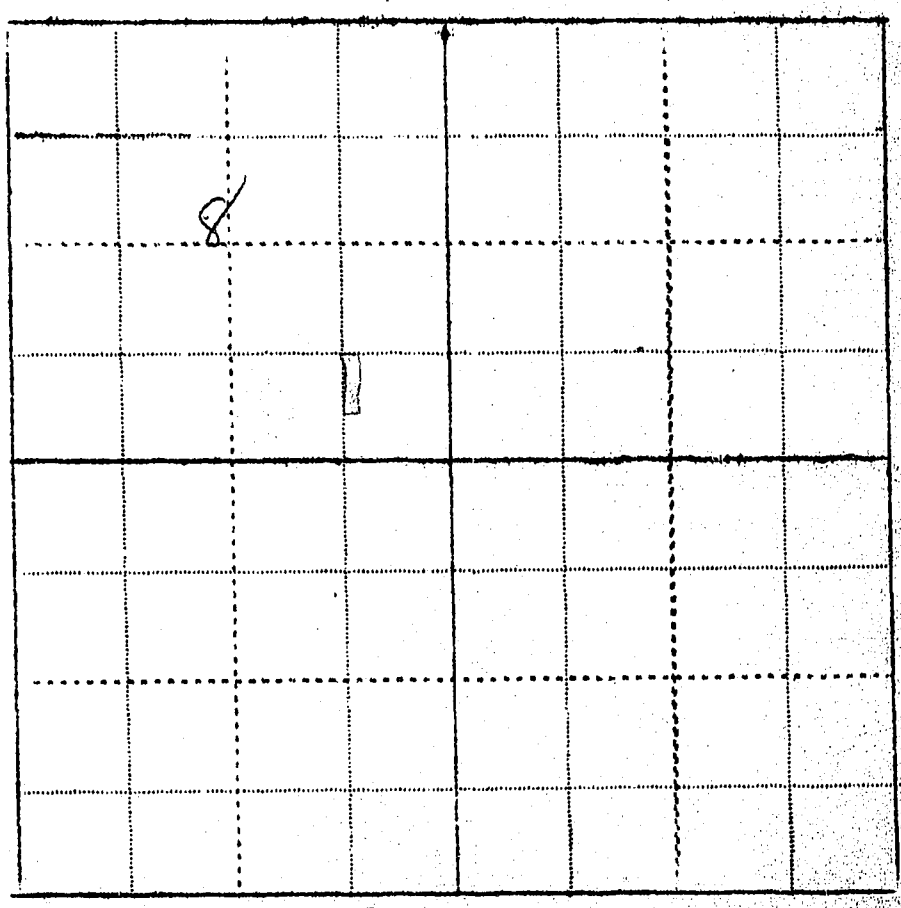
11. Condition of System Fair

12. Land Description Swc. NE¼ Sec 8, T 2S, R 24E.

Remarks:

Has 3 shares in ditch

Information as shown Contract



WITNESS: _____

Information by Contact & Neighbors

Place Laurel

FORM SM-1

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A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information AAA-2350

1. Water User Ray Wyn Address Laurel

2. Stream _____ Tributary to _____ Basin _____

3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

4. Description of System _____

5. Type of Irrigation _____

6. Original Appropriator _____ Address _____

7. First Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated _____

8. Maximum Use: Year _____ Acres Irrigated 20 A

9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 54.0 part 12 Acres

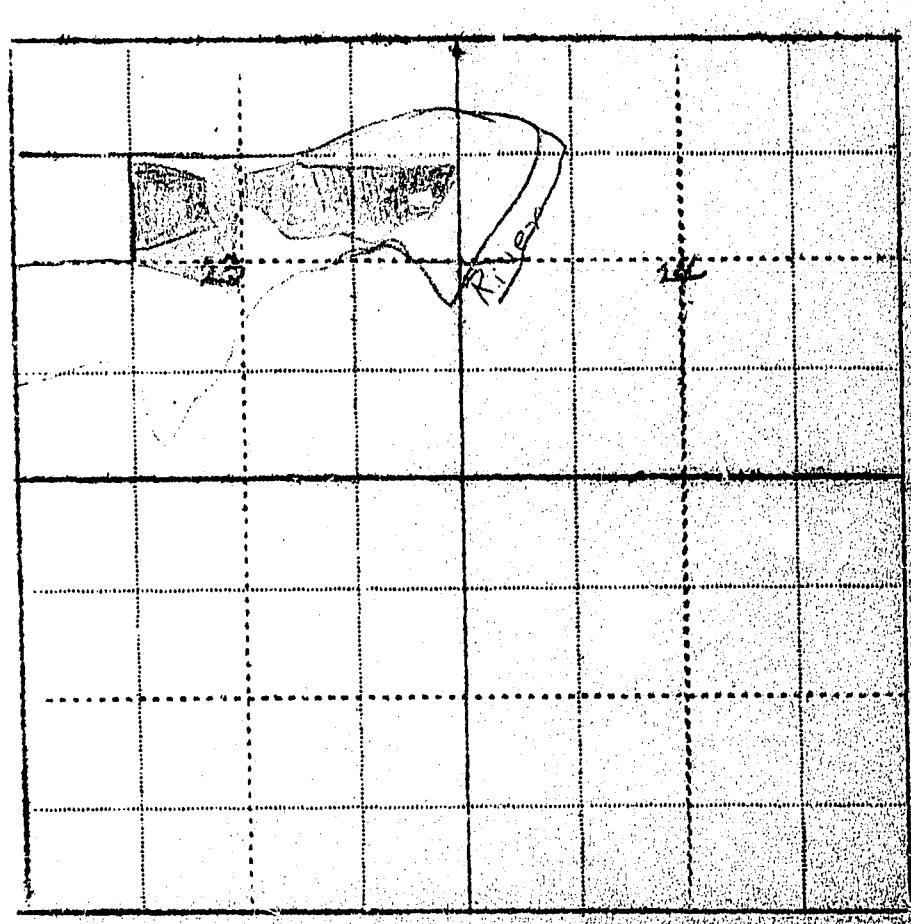
10. Last Use: Year _____ Why Abandoned _____

11. Condition of System _____

12. Land Description Lots 2 to 10 N 2 SW 4, Sec 23 - Lot 2 - Sec 24, T 2 S, R 24 E

Remarks: _____

Cauldwell Contact Information from A.A.A. Records & Aerial photograph



Billings,
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December 1, 1942

Mr. Ray Wyn
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Wyn:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone Riv ~. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obta. 'ng water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. Irrigated land is shown in blue and land that has been irrigated but is now idle is shown in green.

Second: From what ditch do you get your water to irrigate and how many shares do you have in this ditch?
If you have a private pump please answer the questions on the enclosed sheet that are checked in red.

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your irrigated farm will be greatly appreciated.

In order to facilitate this work a branch office of the State Engineer has been established in the old Roosevelt School Building in Billings. This is the same building in which the A. A. A. office is located. If any of this is not clear to you, we will appreciate your calling on us the next time you are in Billings, or you may phone us at 3777.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

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Billings,
January 4, 1945

Mr. Ray Wyn
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Wyn:

On December 1, 1942 we sent you a letter asking for certain information pertaining to your irrigated land in Township 2 South 24 East. To date we have not heard from you. It is essential that we have this information in order to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin. This information is necessary to insure present and future development in the irrigation enterprises in the state.

The 1939 Session of the Montana Legislature enacted a law (Sec. 349.68 Montana Session Laws) requiring the State Engineer to investigate and p prepare a complete record of all water rights in the state. In compliance with this law all water users in the state are being requested to supply information regarding their use of water.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Oravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJO/rh

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information

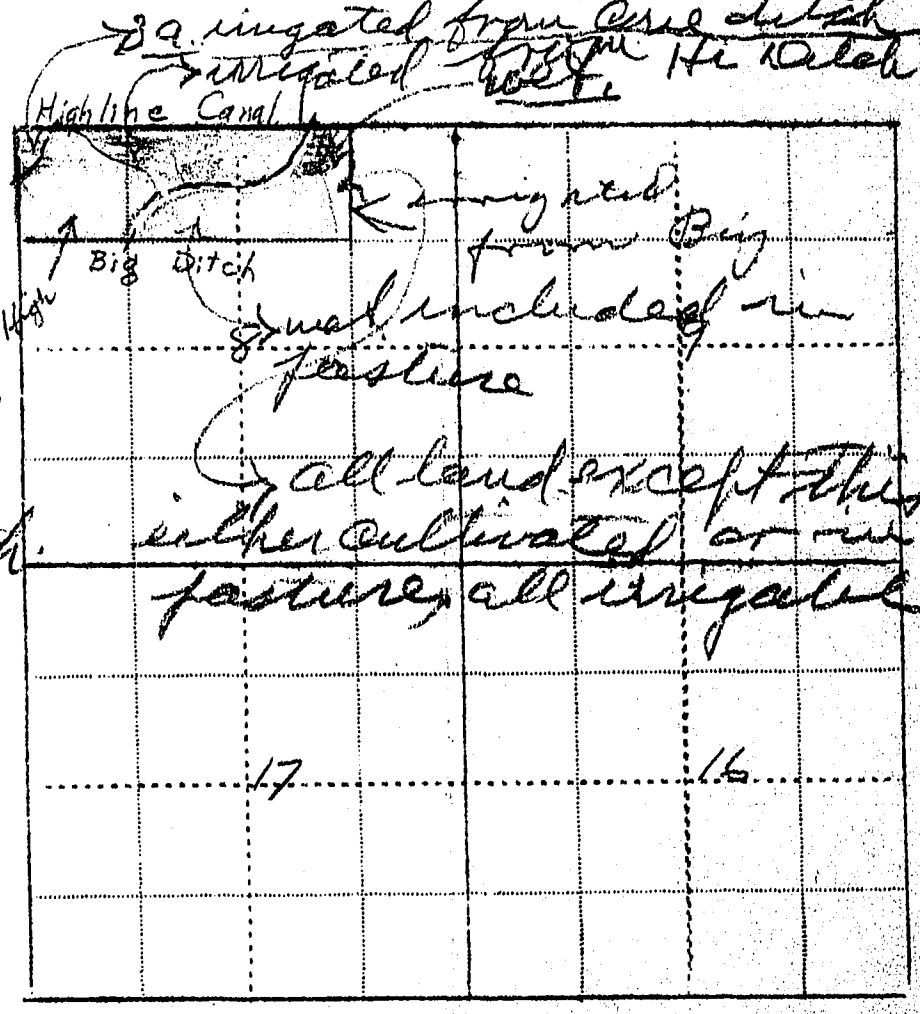
1. Water User Owen A. Young Box 347 Address Laurel, Montana
2. ~~Stream~~ Big & High ditches Tributary to Basin Yellowstone
3. Point of Diversion ¼ ¼ Section Township Range
4. Description of System Headgates, Flumes & Laterals
5. Type of Irrigation Gravity & Flooding
6. Original Appropriator Big Ditch Co. Address & Chas. D. Camp.
7. First Use: Year Acres Irrigated
8. Maximum Use: Year Acres Irrigated
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 103 irrigated 93 = cultivated land about 8 or 10 a. actually wet ~~or hence all land~~
10. Last Use: Year Why Abandoned
11. Condition of System including pasture irrigated
12. Land Description N½NW¼, NW¼NE¼, Sec. 8, T 2S, R 24E

Remarks: has 10 shares in Big Ditch and 15 in high ditch

irrigated from High

all between Hi and Big Ditches watered from Hi Below Big Ditch use both Hi and Big water

Cove - 3 acres



WITNESS: Letter Information by

Place

The above is correct as of the present
12/21/42 Owen A. Young

Billings,
xxxxxxxxx
December 1, 1942

Mr. Owen A. Young
Box 347
Laurel, Montana

Dear Mr. Young:

The Congress of the United States has granted consent to the States of Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota to enter into a compact or agreement for the division of the waters of the Yellowstone River. This agreement when reached will vitally effect each and every water user obtaining water from the Yellowstone River or any of its tributaries. While Wyoming and North Dakota have already collected the necessary information to claim their share of these waters, such information is not available for Montana. As much of the information needed to show the extent of water use in the Yellowstone Basin must come directly from those using water, we are asking you to help us.

First: We would like to know if the information we have compiled in regard to your irrigated farm on the enclosed form is correct. If it is not correct, we will greatly appreciate your making the necessary corrections. The part of your land that is irrigated is shown in blue.

Second: How many acres do you irrigate from each ditch?

Third: If you have any land that is effected by seepage or land that has been irrigated which is now idle, please indicate the amount on the enclosed form, and mail this information to us as soon as possible in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Any additional information you may wish to give us regarding your farm will be greatly appreciated.

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

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Gravetz
Assistant Engineer

GJG/rh
enc.

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone, Book 1, Page 62, Record Misc
2. Name of Appropriator Charles D. Camp, Address Laurel, Mont
3. Date Appropriated May 14, 1890, Date Filed May 14, 1890
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 400, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Bald Hill Creek & its tributaries, Tributary, Basin
5. Point of Diversion In
   Sec. 36 Twp. 1S Rge. 23E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigating, watering stock, domestic & other
7. Description of System Dam & ditch, 48 in by 36 in
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½ NW¼ Sec 8, 2So 24E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)
   Ditches are a continuation of Bald Hill Creek & run SE. to dam in SE¼ Sec. 6 2So. 24E. Thence SE & place of use
   Appropriation made Dec 15, 1889

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

FORM SM-1

A STUDY OF MONTANA'S WATER RESOURCES

County Yellowstone Source of Information ADA 1089

1. Water User Owen A Young Address Laurel, Mont

2. ~~Stream~~ B. High Ditch Tributary to ..... Basin .....

3. Point of Div on ¼ ¼ Section ..... Township ..... Range .....

4. Description of System .....

5. Type of Irrigation .....

6. Original Appropriator ..... Address .....

7. First Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

8. Maximum Use: Year ..... Acres Irrigated .....

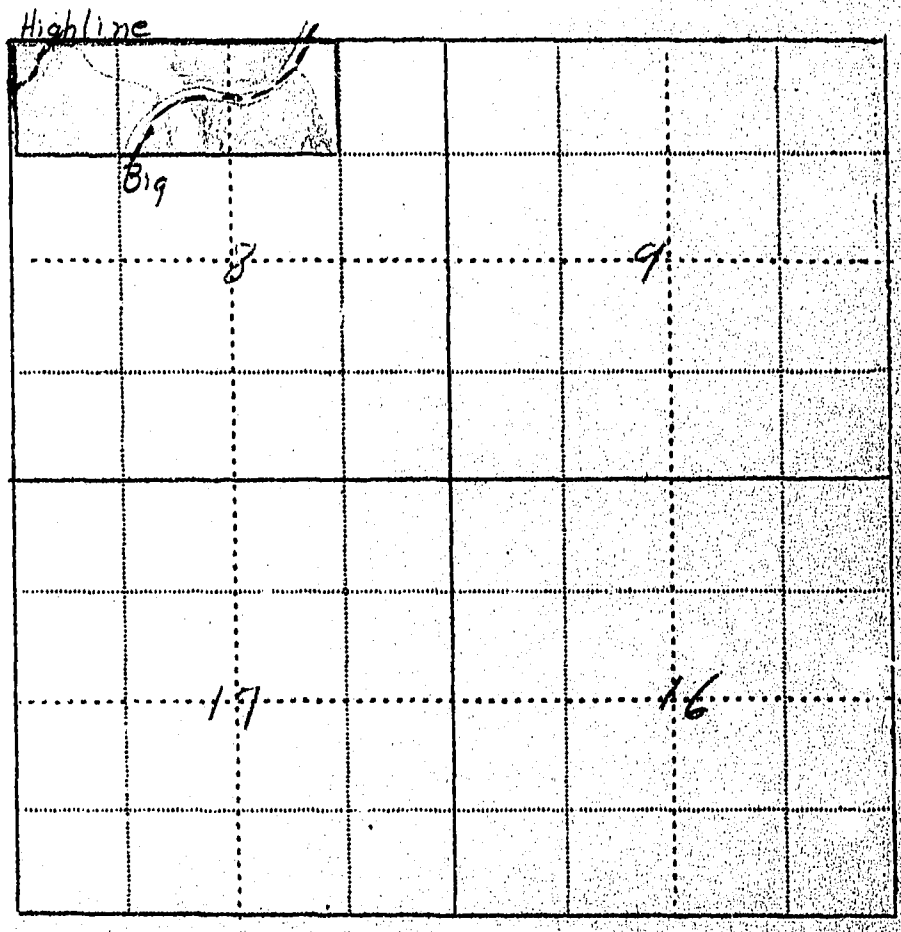
9. Present Use: Year 1941 Acres Irrigated 93.0

10. Last Use: Year ..... Why Abandoned .....

11. Condition of System .....

12. Land Description N½NW¼ NW¼NE¼ Sec. 8, T 2 S, R 24 E.

Remarks: Have 10 shares in Big ditch and 15 in High ditch



WITNESS: ..... Information by .....

Misc Appropriations
Yellowstone Co.
2S., 24E

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book L Page 583 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Edmund H. Coyle Address Canyon Creek, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated June 12, 1919 Date Filed Dec. 12, 1919
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 10000, Cubic Feet per second 250
4. Name of Stream Yellowstone River. Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion

   Sec. Twp. Rge. Bank of Stream South
6. Purpose Power for heat, light or transportation and irrigation.
7. Description of System Ditch 25 ft. on bottom by 10 ft. deep. Runs east to place of use.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use All that can be reached by ditch also Sec. 24, 13, 8, 4, 3, 14 and 24, 25 24E and 25, 25E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.)

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 283 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Edmund K. Corle Address Canyon Creek, Yellowstone County, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated June 12, 1919 Date Filed July 19, 1919

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 12,000, Cubic Feet per second 250
4. Name of Stream Clark's Fork Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion

   Sec. Twp. Rge. Bank of Stream South
6. Purpose Irrigating, power for light, transportation & others.
7. Description of System A ditch 25 feet wide on bottom, by 10 feet in depth, running east to place of use.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use Sec 24, 2S, 24E
   " 18, 2S, 25E
   " 8, 2S, 25E
   " 4, 2S, 25E
   " 3, 2S, 25E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Also all land contiguous to or that can be reached by this ditch, as well as irrigating the above lands.

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book C Page 49 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator G. S. Collins et al Address Yellowstone Co. Mont.
3. Date Appropriated Oct. 14, 1895 Date Filed Oct. 18, 1895

   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 100,000, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Yellowstone River Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion About 1½ miles west from Allendale on:

Sec. 14 Twp. 2 S Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream North

6. Purpose Irrigations, domestic, mechanical, water stock, rent to others.
7. Description of System Ditch of flumes of size to carry 100,000 inches of water. Runs NE along north side of river as high toward adjacent range of hills as water can be conducted from said river.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use Along course of ditch on lands lying below the line thereof in valley of Yellowstone River between head of said ditch & tableland N and E from Huntley extending about 40 miles NE from head of ditch.
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) P. L. and G. D. Reece, and G. S. Collins associated together to form "Yellowstone Ditch Co."

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County (Carbon) Yellowstone Book L Page 321 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator J. R. Rutter Address Carbon County, Mont.
3. Date Appropriated July 21, 1917 Date Filed July 27, 1917
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 100, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Spring Creek Tributary Basin
5. Point of Diversion About 40 rods north from SE corner of NE¼SW¼

Sec. 25 Twp. 2 ? Rge. 24 E Bank of Stream East

6. Purpose Irrigating and domestic purposes
7. Description of System A ditch 24 inches by 24 inches, and runs in a northerly direction over said land.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use E½NW¼, NE¼SW¼ sec. 25, 2? 24E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Water appropriated July 1, 1917

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose
14. Land Description of Place of Use as Decreed

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Notice of Appropriation

1. County Yellowstone Book 1 Page 62 Record Misc.
2. Name of Appropriator Charles D. Camps Address Laurel, Mont
3. Date Appropriated May 14, 1890 Date Filed May 14, 1890
   Amount Appropriated, Miners Inches 400, Cubic Feet per second
4. Name of Stream Bald Hill Creek + its tributaries Tributary Basin
* 5. Point of Diversion 2m
   Sec. 36 Twp. 1 So Rge. 23 E Bank of Stream
6. Purpose Irrigating, watering stock, domestic + others
7. Description of System dam + ditch - 48 in. by 36 in.
8. Land Description of Intended Place of Use N½, SW¼, Sec 8 - 2 So 24 E
9. Remarks (Pertaining to Use, etc.) Appropriation made Oct 15. 1889
* ditches are a continuation of Bald Hill Creek + runs SE to dam in SE¼, Sec. 6, 2 So. 24 E then SE to place of use

Decree

10. Case No. Date Amt. Decreed: M. I. C. F. S.
11. To Whom Decreed Address
12. Name of Ditch Maximum Capacity (C. F. S.)
13. Date of Priority Purpose