

Mar 03, 2023

DEPARTMENT OF  
WATER RESOURCESIN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE  
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLSIN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION OF  
RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER FROM THE  
PALOUSE RIVER BASIN WATER SYSTEMCIVIL CASE NUMBER: 69576  
Ident. Number: 97-9650  
Date Received:  
Receipt No.:

## NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT BASED ON FEDERAL LAW

RIGHT NUMBER: 97-9650

NAME AND ADDRESS: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH  
USDA FOREST SERVICE  
550 W FORT ST MSC 033  
BOISE, ID 83724

SOURCE: Benton Creek

QUANTITY: 0.06 AF

PRIORITY DATE: 5/16/1900 Lieu Selection 5891 Quit Claim Deed to the United  
States.POINT OF  
DIVERSION: Township Range Section QQ Quarter County  
58N 4W 25 SW NW BonnerPURPOSE AND  
PERIOD OF USE: PURPOSE OF USE PERIOD OF USE  
Administrative - National Forest research 01/01 - 12/31  
Benton Creek Steam Gaging StationPLACE OF USE: Township Range Section QQ Quarter County  
58N 4W 25 SW NW BonnerBASIS OF CLAIM: Reserved Under Federal Law - the Organic Administration Act of  
1897.Benton Creek Stream Gage holds back approximately 20,420 gallons  
of water. This is a flow through situation where gallons per  
minute flow, temperature and other parameters are recorded and  
transmitted round the clock to a receiving station. This supports  
long term watershed and stream flow research and is one of the  
oldest such continuously monitored stations in the United States.SIGNATURE AND  
NOTICE:Notice is hereby given that the United States Department of  
Justice will represent the United States of America, including

the U.S.D.A. Forest Service, in all matters pertaining to the Clark Fork-Pend Oreille River Basin Adjudication.

All notices, filings and correspondence concerning this matter should be mailed to the United States Department of Justice at the address set forth below:

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