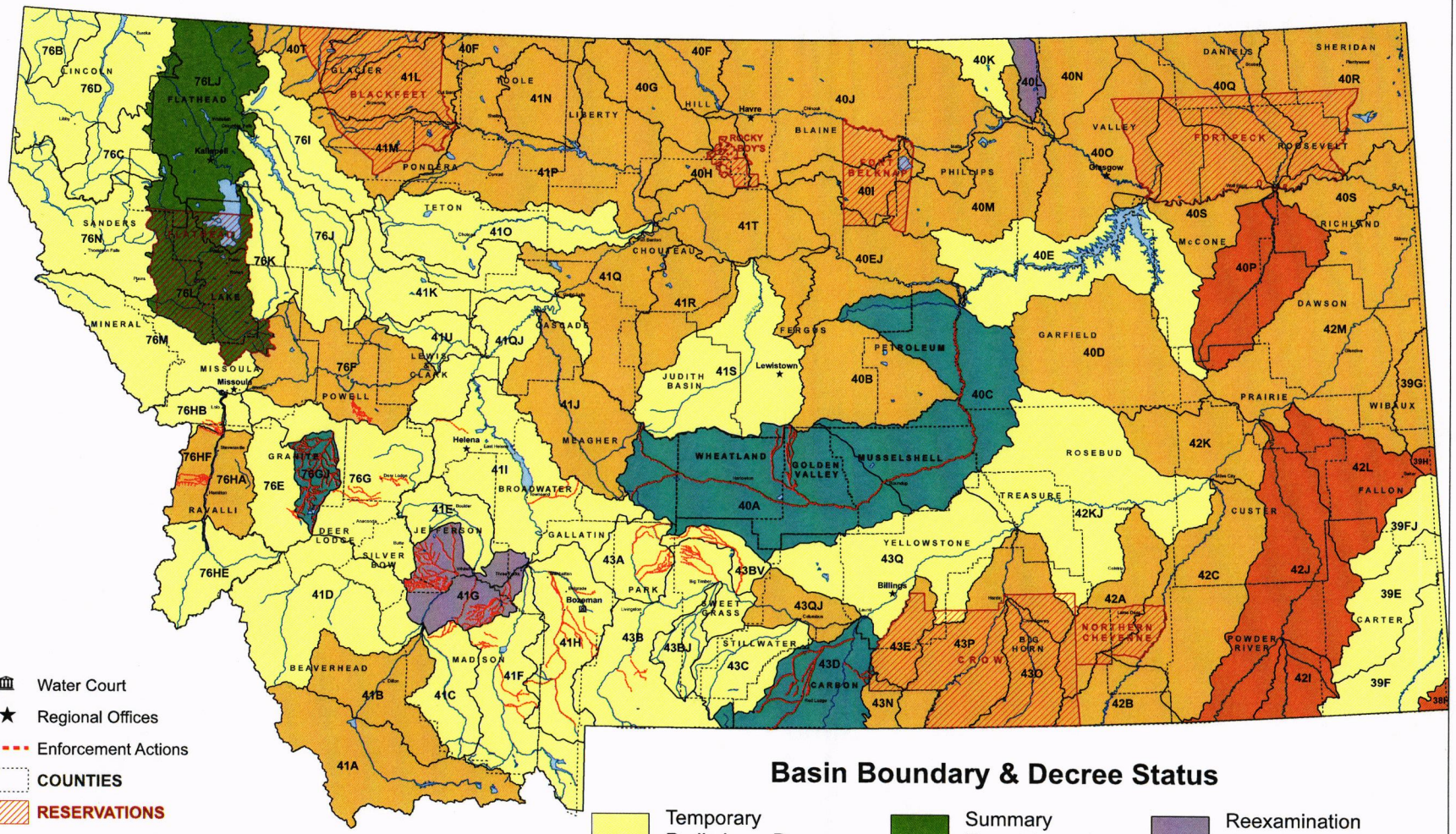
WATER POLICY INTERIM
COMMITTEE 2017-18

October 9, 2017

Exhibit 1

Basin Location and Adjudication Status

September 5, 2017



Water Court
Regional Offices
Enforcement Actions
COUNTIES
RESERVATIONS

Basin Boundary & Decree Status

- Temporary Preliminary Decree
- Preliminary Decree
- Final Decree
- Summary Report Issued
- Reexamination Summary Report
- Reexamination Preliminary Decree

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DNRC REPORT TO WPIC
ADJUDICATION PROGRESS
September 12, 2017

Claims Reexamination Progress

- First benchmark 10,000 claims by 6-30-2017* ***(First Benchmark met)***
- Second benchmark 30,000 claims by 6-30-2019
- Third benchmark 60,000 claims by 6-30-2021
- Fourth benchmark 90,000 claims by 6-30-2023

Reexamination claims completed to date: **Total = 15,327**

Summary Reports to Water Court	Date Issued
Union Creek (part of 76F)	May 19, 2005
Teton River (41O)	August 15, 2005
Big Hole River (41D)	October 31, 2006
Tongue River, below hanging Woman Creek (42C)	August 7, 2007
Blackfoot River (76F)	August 14, 2007
Missouri River, from Holter Dam to Sun River (41QJ)	August 15, 2007
Tongue River, above Hanging Woman (42B)	December 5, 2007
Pryor Creek (43E)	August 18, 2008
Smith River (41J)	September 1, 2008
Beaver Creek (40M)	September 1, 2008
Flatwillow Creek (40B)	September 11, 2008
Milk River (40J)	December 5, 2008
Little Big Horn River (43O)	February 6, 2009
Big Muddy Creek (40R)	April 6, 2009
Missouri River, Sun River to Marias River (41Q)	June 16, 2009
Beaverhead River (41B)	August 14, 2009
Arrow Creek (41R)	October 23, 2009
Missouri River, from Marias River to Bullwhacker Creek (41T)	November 17, 2009
Milk River above Fresno Reservoir (40F)	April 15, 2011
Rosebud Creek (42A)	December 13, 2012
Red Rock River (41A)	January 10, 2013
Peoples Creek (40I)	February 5, 2013
Shoshone River (43N)	February 12, 2013
Yellowstone River below Powder River (42M)	July 17, 2013
Missouri R between Bullwhacker & Musselshell (40EJ)	September 25, 2013
St. Mary River (40T)	January 31, 2014
Marias River (41P)	September 8, 2014
Two Medicine River (41M)	October 27, 2014
Cut Bank Creek (41L)	January 23, 2015
Mainstem Bitterroot River and East Side (76HA)	May 8, 2015

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Bighorn River below Greybull River (43P)	June 10, 2015
Flathead River (76LJ)	March 17, 2017
Flathead River below Flathead Lake (76L)	March 17, 2017

Decrees Issued by Water Court	Date Issued	Number of Claims
Teton River (41O)	12/29/2005	2,541
Union Creek (part of 76F)	3/10/2006	42
Big Hole River (41D)	4/6/2007	3,892
Missouri River (41QJ)	2/6/2008	2,584
Tongue River (42C)	2/28/2008	4,710
Tongue River (42B)	2/28/2008	1,345
Forest Service Compact	5/19/2008	262
BLM-Montana Compact	3/6/2009	2
Beaver Creek (40M)	3/20/2009	2,942
Big Muddy Creek (40R)	1/28/2010	2,029
Pryor Creek (43E)	2/25/2010	629
Little Big Horn River (43O)	3/17/2010	1,176
Missouri River from Sun River to Marias River (41Q)	5/27/2010	4,127
Milk River between Fresno Res & Whitewater (40J)	6/24/2010	12,897
Smith River (41J)	12/16/2010	2,719
Blackfoot River (76F)	2/10/2011	3,717
Flatwillow Creek (40B)	5/5/2011	3,677
Arrow Creek (41R)	6/23/2011	2,179
National Bison Range Compact	9/30/2011	97
Missouri River, from Marias River to Bullwhacker Creek (41T)	4/19/2012	3,073
Crow Tribe of Indians Montana Compact	1/28/2013	NA
Beaverhead River (41B)	5/9/2013	2,238
Red Rock River (41A)	5/9/2013	2,861
Rosebud Creek (42A)	5/23/2013	1,220
Shoshone River (43N)	6/13/2013	165
Peoples Creek (40I)	6/20/2013	686
Milk River above Fresno Reservoir (40F)	12/12/2013	2,339
Yellowstone River below Powder River (42M)	1/24/2014	5,290
Bowdoin National Wildlife Refuge Compact	4/2/2014	7
Missouri River between Bullwhacker & Musselshell River (40EJ)	4/25/2014	2,676
St. Mary River (40T)	6/25/2014	267
Two Medicine River (41M)	3/20/2015	1,149
Marias River (41P)	4/23/2015	3,905
US F&WS, Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge-Montana Compact	7/30/2015	114
BLM Upper Missouri River National Monument-Montana Compact	9/24/2015	2
Cut Bank Creek (41L)	10/8/2015	722
Bitterroot River, East Side (76HA)	12/4/2015	2,867
Bighorn River below Greybull River (43P)	1/28/2016	2,117

Above decrees scanned and available at:
http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/wrd/water_rts/adjudication/default.asp

Reexamination - Summary Reports to Water Court	Date Issued
Flint Creek (76GJ)	10/30/2015
Clarks Fork Yellowstone River (43D)	5/24/2016
Musselshell River, Below Roundup (40C)	6/9/2016
Musselshell River, above Roundup (40A)	1/12/2017
Frenchman Creek (40L)	5/31/2017
Jefferson River (41G)	**7/27/2017**

Reexamination Decrees Issued by Water Court	Date Issued	Number of Claims
Flint Creek (76GJ)	5/19/2016	1,129
Clarks Fork Yellowstone River (43D)	4/7/2017	2,888
Musselshell River, Below Roundup (40C)	6/7/2017	3,951
Musselshell River, above Roundup (40A)	6/7/2017	6,108

Assistance for District Court Enforcement of Water Court Decrees

2017 season completed updates and created new projects totaling 40 distribution areas including the entire Teton River basin.

Ownership Updates

Department staff validate water right geocodes for property transfers:

-In 2010, 3,821 ownerships were updated involving 9,460 water rights
-In 2011, 6,245 ownerships were updated involving 15,765 water rights.
-In 2012, 8,729 ownerships were updated involving 20,496 water rights.
-In 2014, 7,618 ownerships were updated involving 18,360 water rights.
-In 2015, 7,711 ownerships were updated involving 17,483 water rights
-In 2016, 9,120 ownerships were updated involving 20,358 water rights
-In 2017, 10,351 ownerships were updated involving 21,797 water rights
-For 2018 1,345 ownerships were updated involving 2, 696 water rights so far this Fiscal year.

Post Decree Assistance (FY2018)

Case type	Case count	Work hours
Certified case		
Case with Objector	**6**	**140**
85-2-248 case	**20**	**1,047**
General assist		**170**
Total hours		**1,357**

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Exempt Claim Fillings SB355 (effective Oct 1, 2013 - May 7,2017)

The department received 2,430 statements of claims including: 363 for domestic wells and 2,067 for instream stock.

Exempt Claim Fillings HB110 (effective May 7,2017)

For the period May 7th through September 12th we received *667 claims.* These claims include *167 domestic and 500 stock* claims with many more in the process.

Help with the filing process can be obtained by calling the help line at 444-0560 or visiting the following link:

http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/water/adjudication/hb-110-exempt-claim-filing