

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF FISH INTRODUCTIONS
PRIVATE POND APPLICATION**

Name and address of applicant _____
Rockhouse Ranch (Henry Valgamore)
Box 113
Springdale, MT 59082

Has the pond been approved for a private pond permit? yes

Location:

County Sweet Grass Township 1S Range 13E Section 8

Name of the drainage where the pond would be located Yellowstone R

Name(s) of fish species proposed for introduction Yellowstone cutthroat trout, rainbow trout, brook trout.

Is this species legally present in the drainage? yes

Species of special concern present in the drainage Yellowstone cutthroat trout

RISKS:

Potential for impacts on genetic structure of existing fish populations? None x Minor _____ Major _____

Comments:

Impacts to any life stage of existing fish populations due to competition and/or predation? None x Minor _____ Major _____

Comments:

Impacts to other forms of aquatic life that may be caused by this introduction? None x Minor _____ Major _____

Comments:

Potential for the proposed new species to reproduce in this location? None _____ Minor x Major _____

Comments: Brook trout may successfully reproduce.

If necessary, would it be feasible to remove this species after it has been stocked?
yes

Would this introduction result in impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable?
no

Describe reasonable and prudent alternatives to this action, if any (including no action).
Deny permit or require different fish species.

Describe and evaluate mitigation, stipulations, or other control measures enforceable by the agency, if any.
Screens on inlet and outlet.

List any other agencies or individuals that may be affected by the proposed introduction:
N/A

List all agencies and individuals who have been notified of this proposed introduction:
Ron Carlson, Warden
Dennis Hagenston, Warden Captain
Dick Ellis, Regional Supervisor

Based on this evaluation, is an EIS required? No. If no, explain why the EA is the appropriate level of analysis for the proposed action.
No significant impacts.

EA prepared by: J. Darling

Comments will be accepted until N/A

Comments should be sent to: N/A