

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

Name and address of applicant W Holdings, L.C.  
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(Pond #1)

Has the pond been approved for a private pond permit? Yes  
Location:

County Carbon Township 6S Range 18E Section 24

Name of the drainage where the pond would be located Red Lodge Ck

Name(s) of fish species proposed for introduction 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Minor x Major \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: Pond invertebrates become prey.

Potential for the proposed new species to reproduce in this  
location? None \_\_\_\_\_ Minor x Major \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: Brook trout could spawn if spring areas are adequate.

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:  
Kevin Nichols, 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 October 13, 1998

Comments should be sent to: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks  
Attn: Fisheries Manager  
2300 Lake Elmo Drive  
Billings, MT 59105