

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

Name and address of applicant Jim & Tia Roddy (Lower)
26 Audubon Place
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Has the pond been approved for a private pond permit Yes

Location:

County Madison Township 6S Range 3E Section 7, NW

Name of drainage where the pond would be located Moonlight Creek, Jack Creek,
Madison

Name(s) of fish species proposed for introduction Rainbow Trout

Is this species of fish legally present in the drainage Yes

RISKS:

Potential for impacts on genetic structure of existing fish populations?

None Minor Major

Comments:

Unlikely, but could survive and interbreed with trout in lower portions of Moonlight Creek or Jack Creek.

Impacts to any life stage of existing fish population due to competition and/or predation?

None Minor Major

Comments:

No fish in this reach of Moonlight Creek.

Impacts to other forms of aquatic life that may be caused by this introduction?

None Minor Major

Comments:

May impact amphibians.

Potential for the proposed new species to reproduce in this location?

None Minor Major

Comments:

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

Yes, by chemical removal.

Would this introduction result in impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable?

Yes, private ponds cumulatively represent a threat to wild aquatic systems.

Describe reasonable and prudent alternatives to this action, if any (including no action).

Not to issue private pond license.

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

Limit species of salmonid to stock to rainbow trout from approved source.

List any other agencies and individuals who have been notified of this proposed introduction:

State of Montana Electronic Bulletin Board
EQC

Based on this evaluation, is an EIS required? No

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Comments will be accepted until June 16, 2000

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