

EA #:

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

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Has the pond been approved for a private pond permit in the past? Yes.

Location:

County: Jefferson Township: 1N Range: 1W Section: 15

Name of the drainage where the pond would be located: Jefferson River

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

Is this species native to the drainage? If not, was it introduced legally (i.e. by a fish management agency)? Yes.

List species of special concern present in the drainage: None

RISKS:

Inlets to or outlets from the pond? Yes ___ No X

Explain:

Potential for impacts on genetic structure of wild fish populations?

None X Minor ___ Major ___

Comments required for minor or major impacts:

No fish are present within about 1 mile of the pond.

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

None X Minor ___ Major ___

Comments required for minor or major impacts:

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

None X Minor ___ Major ___

Comments required for minor or major impacts:

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

None ___ Minor X Major ___

Comments required for minor or major impacts:

Unlikely, but remotely possible for rainbow trout to reproduce in the recirculated inflow of the pond.

If necessary, would it be feasible to remove this species after it has been stocked? How?
Yes, the pond is easily drained.

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).
No action.

Describe and evaluate mitigation, stipulations, or other control measures enforceable by the agency, if any.
Limit species of salmonid stock to rainbow trout from approved source.

List any other agencies or individuals that may be affected by the proposed introduction:
None.

List all agencies and individuals outside of FWP who have been notified of this proposed introduction:
None.

Based on this evaluation, is an EIS required? Yes___ No X If no, explain why the EA is the appropriate level of analysis for the proposed action.
The limited impacts of this action are not significant enough to warrant an EIS.

Literature Cited: N/A

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