

EA# 47-06

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## 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? No

Location: County Gallatin Township 1S Range 7E Section 10

Name of drainage where the pond would be located: Stone Creek, East Gallatin River Drainage

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

Is this species of fish legally present in the drainage? Not native, was legally introduced.

### RISKS:

Inlets to or outlets from the pond? Yes. Inlet is fishless seasonal spring, outlets through Agridrain Structure to dry ground.

Potential for impacts on genetic structure of existing fish populations?

None  Minor  Major

Comments:

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

Comments:

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

None  Minor  Major

Comments:

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, via chemical means or via age related mortality in the absence of stocking.

**Would this introduction result in impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable?** Yes, private ponds do pose risks to wild fisheries.

**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.** None

**List any other agencies and individuals who have been notified of this proposed introduction:** None

**Based on this evaluation, is an EIS required?** No. An introduction of this scope does not require an EIS.

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