

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

**Name and address of applicant:** Camrose Colony by John J. Waldner  
26 Camrose Colony Lane  
Ledger, MT 59456

**Has the pond been approved for a private pond permit?** Yes

**Does the pond have water rights?** Yes, this pond has a statement of claim water right # 41P 161601 00 for a stock water use and a priority date of December 31, 1968 with a reservoir record. This water right includes a maximum volume of 800.00 AC-FT.

**Location of pond:**

**County:** Toole

**Legal description:** T30N, R1E, S28, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$

**Latitude/Longitude:** N 48.33041, W 111.61644

**Name of the drainage where the pond would be located:** Pond is located in the Marias River drainage.

**Fish species proposed for introduction:** Rainbow trout, brown trout, brook trout and westslope cutthroat trout.

**Is this species legally present in the drainage?** Yes.

**Species of Special Concern present in the drainage:** None in the Marias River upstream of Tiber Reservoir.

**RISKS:**

**Inlets to or outlets from the pond?** Yes \_\_\_ No X **Explain:** Water enters the pond from runoff of melting snow or major rain events in the drainage. Outflow is via an overland spillway. Trout could escape from this reservoir during high runoff.

**Potential for impacts on genetic structure of existing fish populations:** \_\_\_ None X  
Minor \_\_\_ Major

Comments: Adverse genetic impacts are considered unlikely. The proposed species excluding cutthroat trout are not native to the Marias River drainage. Rainbow, brown, brook or cutthroat trout that would escape from this pond should have little negative impact on the genetics of non-native or native trout populations.

**Impacts to any life stage of existing fish populations due to competition and/or predation?** \_\_\_ None X Minor \_\_\_ Major

Comments: Trout would compete for food with the minnows in the reservoir and may prey upon the minnow species but minor impacts are expected.

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

None  Minor  Major

Comments: Trout will consume some invertebrates in pond.

**Potential for the proposed new species to reproduce in this location:**  None  Minor  Major

Comments: No inlet stream or available spawning habitat exists.

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

Yes, this pond could be chemically treated or eliminated through attrition.

**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).** Do not stock.

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

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

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

**Based on this evaluation, is an EIS required? YES/NO? If no, explain why the EA is the appropriate level of analysis for the proposed action.** No. Minor impacts expected.

**EA prepared by:** Paul. D. Hamlin

**DATE:** March 16, 2012

## Camrose Colony Private Pond Photos



**DECISION RECORD  
FISH POND LICENSE**

**DECISION: Issue**

- Private Pond License**
- Commercial Pond License**
- One Time Permission to Plant Letter**
- Denial**

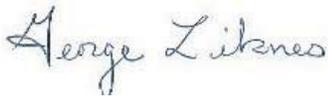
**EA Title: Camrose Colony Private Pond**

**APPROVED SPECIES: Rainbow, brown, brook, westslope cutthroat trout**

**LICENSE RESTRICTIONS:**

**DECISION REASONING:**

- Pond meets all other requirements for Private Pond License.**



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George Liknes  
Regional Fisheries Manager

3/19/2012  
Date