

Decrees Issued by Water Court	Date Issued	Number of Claims
Teton River (41O)	12/29/2005	2,541
Union Creek (part of 76F)	3/10/2006	42
Big Hole River (41D)	4/6/2007	3,892
Missouri River (41QJ)	2/6/2008	2,584
Tongue River (42C)	2/28/2008	4,710
Tongue River (42B)	2/28/2008	1,345
Forest Service Compact	5/19/2008	262
BLM-Montana Compact	3/6/2009	2
Beaver Creek (40M)	3/20/2009	2,942
Big Muddy Creek (40R)	1/28/2010	2,029
Pryor Creek (43E)	2/25/2010	629
Little Big Horn River (43O)	3/17/2010	1,176
Missouri River from Sun River to Marias River (41Q)	5/27/2010	4,127
Milk River between Fresno Res & Whitewater (40J)	6/24/2010	12,897
Smith River (41J)	12/16/2010	2,719
Blackfoot River (76F)	2/10/2011	3,717
Flatwillow Creek (40B)	5/5/2011	3,677
Arrow Creek (41R)	6/23/2011	2,179
National Bison Range Compact	9/30/2011	97
Missouri River, from Marias River to Bullwhacker Creek (41T)	4/19/2012	3,073

Above decrees scanned and available at:

http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/wrd/water_rts/adjudication/default.asp

BASINS BY COMPLETION DATE - DNRC WORK PLAN FY 2013				
BASIN COUNT	BASIN NAME	WORK STATUS	Estimated Completion Date	
1	Flathead R below Flathead Lake (76L)	Examination complete	12	2009
2	Big Horn R below Greybull R (43P)	Summary Report pending	11	2013
3	Rosebud Creek (42A)	Summary Report pending	12	2012
4	Shoshone River (43N)	Summary Report pending	10	2012
5	Flathead River (76LJ)	Examination in progress	7	2013
6	Cut Bank River (41L)	Summary Report pending	6	2013
7	St. Mary River (40T)	Summary Report pending	12	2012
8	Yellowstone R below Powder R (42M)	Examination in progress	6	2013
9	Red Rock River (41A)	Summary Report pending	10	2012
10	Peoples Creek (40I)	Summary Report pending	12	2012
11	Two Medicine River (41M)	Summary Report pending	8	2013
12	Marias River (41P)	Examination in progress	5	2014
13	Missouri R between Bullwhacker & Musselshell (40EJ)	Examination in progress	12	2012
14	Bitterroot R, E side (76HA)	Examination in progress	6	2015
15	Frenchman Creek Re-Examination (40L)	Summary Report pending	7	2014

Assistance for District Court Enforcement of Water Court Decrees

2005 season completed water court assistance for 23 streams
2006 season completed water court assistance for 23 streams
2007 season completed water court assistance for 26 streams
2008 season completed water court assistance for 32 streams
2009 season completed water court assistance for 36 streams
2010 season completed water court assistance for 38 streams
2011 season completed water court assistance for 38 streams
2012 season completed water court assistance for 40 streams

Post Decree Assistance (July- FY2013)

<u>Case type</u>	<u>case count</u>	<u>work hours</u>
Certified case	1	5
85-2-248	9	326
Case	3	42
<u>General assist</u>		<u>235</u>
Total hours		608

Post Decree assistance primarily involves working with claimants and the Water Court to help resolve issue remarks on water rights. This assistance is generated through the on motion process (85-2-248) and objections by water users resulting in a case. Assistance includes meeting with claimants, conducting field investigations, mapping, and providing recommendations and technical reports pertaining to individual cases. In addition, assistance is requested by the Water Court to help with certified cases before and after the initial decree phase. Unique requests to help the Water Court resolve specific cases such as large basin mapping projects, and other technical requests fall within the general assistance category.

Expenses

YTD FY 2012:	Operating Costs	\$ 13,374
	Personnel Services	\$ 59,154
	Total	\$ 72,528
	Budget	\$ 2,082,984

Billing System

108,000 bills mailed Dec 27, 2005
Estimated revenue generated \$6.2 million
Revenue received \$5.218 million

Appeals

5,089 Appeals received
5089 appeals resolved to date (1,121 denied, 3,113 resolved with fee correction, 855 cancelled)

The department is working on preparing 264 invoices over \$200.00 to send to the Department of Revenue for collection. These invoices total approximately \$287,000.

HB39 Automate Ownership updates (effective July 1, 2008)

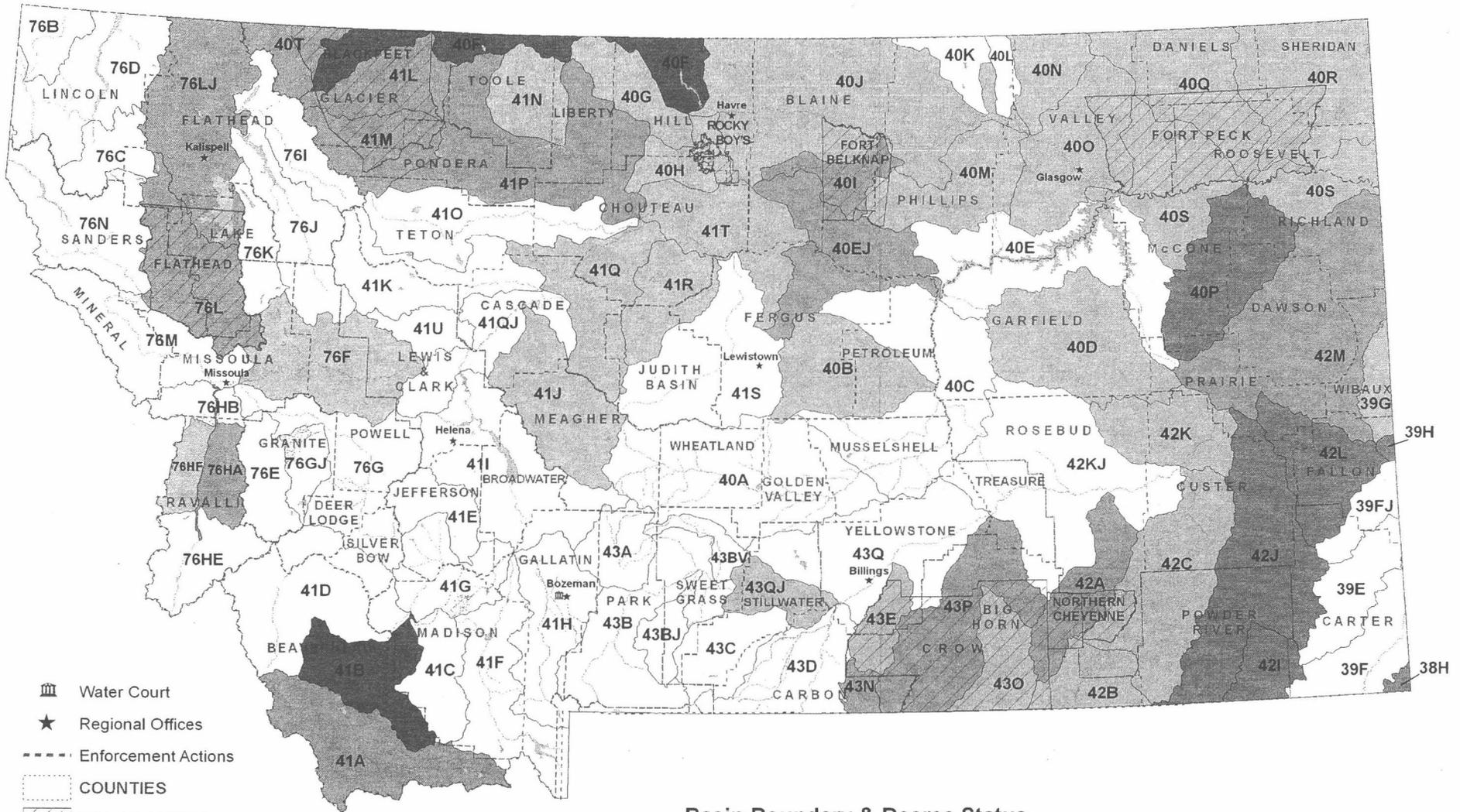
- Department staff continue to validate water right geocodes for property transfers that occurred from November 2010 thru January 2012.
- In 2010, 3,821 ownerships were updated involving 9,460 water rights
- In 2011, 6,245 ownerships were updated involving 15,765 water rights.
- In 2012 8,729 ownerships were updated involving 20,496 water rights.**
- So far this fiscal year, 1,455 ownerships have been updated involving 3,280 water rights.**

Adjudication Transition Plan

-The adjudication transition plan was completed summer of 2011 as identified in the legislative audit report. This plan identifies potential resources needed beyond 2015.

Basin Location and Adjudication Status

08/24/2012



- Water Court
- Regional Offices
- Enforcement Actions
- COUNTIES
- RESERVATIONS

Basin Boundary & Decree Status

- Temporary Preliminary Decree
- Preliminary Decree
- Final Decree
- Currently Examining
- Summary Report Issued

