

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF FISH INTRODUCTIONS  
PRIVATE POND APPLICATION

Name and address of applicant Gordon Clark  
8111 Coakley Road  
Acton, MT 59002

Has the pond been approved for a private pond permit? Yes  
Location:

County Yellowstone Township 2N Range 24E Section 9

Name of the drainage where the pond would be located Commanche Basin (isolated)

Name(s) of fish species proposed for introduction Largemouth bass

Is this species legally present in the drainage? Unknown

Species of special concern present in the drainage None known

RISKS:

Potential for impacts on genetic structure of existing fish populations? None x Minor \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:

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

Impacts to other forms of aquatic life that may be caused by this introduction? None \_\_\_\_\_ Minor x Major \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: Pond invertebrates become prey.

Potential for the proposed new species to reproduce in this location? None \_\_\_\_\_ Minor x Major \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: Largemouth bass should be able to nest in pond shallows.

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

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).  
Deny permit or require different fish species.

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

List any other agencies or individuals that may be affected by the proposed introduction:  
N/A

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

Dennis Hagenston, Warden Captain  
Dick Ellis, Regional Supervisor

Based on this evaluation, is an EIS required? No If no, explain why the EA is the appropriate level of analysis for the proposed action.

No significant impacts.

EA prepared by: J. Darling

Comments will be accepted until 9/22/97

Comments should be sent to: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks  
Attn: Fisheries Manager  
2300 Lake Elmo Drive  
Billings, MT 59105