

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

Name and address of applicant Mark Theisen (Pond 2 – Lower)
1003 Orienta Ave.
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Has the pond been approved for a private pond permit Yes

Location:

County Gallatin Township 1S Range 7E Section 31

Name of drainage where the pond would be located Bridger Creek

Name(s) of fish species proposed for introduction Westslope Cutthroat Trout

Is this species of fish legally present in the drainage Yes

RISKS:

Potential for impacts on genetic structure of existing fish populations?

None Minor Major

Comments:

Fish may escape to Bridger Creek, due to 100 year flood event.

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

None Minor Major

Comments:

Due to fish escaping to Bridger Creek in case of 100 year flood event.

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, by chemical removal.

Would this introduction result in impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable?

Yes, while this individual pond may pose little or no risk, cumulatively, ponds pose risks.

Describe reasonable and prudent alternatives to this action, if any (including no action).

Not to issue private pond permit.

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

Limit species of salmonid to stock to Westslope cutthroat trout from approved source.

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

State of Montana Electronic Bulletin Board
EQC

Based on this evaluation, is an EIS required? No

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Comments will be accepted until May 30, 2000

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