

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

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Has the pond been approved for a private pond permit Yes

**Location:**

County Beaverhead Township 14S Range 01E Section 13

Name of drainage where the pond would be located Red Rock Creek

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

Is this species of fish legally present in the drainage Yes

**RISKS:**

**Potential for impacts on genetic structure of existing fish populations?**

None X Minor     Major    

**Comments:**

Rainbow x Yellowstone cutthroat hybrids currently occupy the drainage.

**Impacts to any life stage of existing fish population 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:**

Common species of masroinvertebrates will be preyed upon by introduced trout.

**Potential for the proposed new species to reproduce in this location?**

None     Minor X Major    

**Comments:**

Fluvial spawning habitat and gravels do not exist in the system.

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

Yes, via pond drawdown and piscicides, or natural aging and mortality.

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

Not likely due to remote location.

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

No action, do not stock pond.

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

Limit species of salmonid to stock rainbow trout from approved source.

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

Beaverhead Conservation District  
EQC  
State of Montana Electronic Bulletin Board

**Based on this evaluation, is an EIS required?** No

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**Comments will be accepted until** September 11, 2000

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