

## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF FISH INTRODUCTIONS PRIVATE POND APPLICATION

Name and address of applicant  Russ Kipp Pond 2   
 P O Box 460473   
 Polaris, MT 59746

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

**Location:**

County  Beaverhead  Township  5S  Range  12W  Section  19

Name of drainage where the pond would be located  Grasshopper 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:**

Pond is on an elevated bench far from adjacent streams.

**Impacts to any life stage of existing fish population due to competition and/or predation.** None  X  Minor   Major

**Comments:**

See above.

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

None  X  Minor   Major

**Comments:**

See above.

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

None  X  Minor   Major

**Comments:**

No spawning habitat or fluvial environment is available.

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

Yes, via natural age-related attrition or use of piscicide.

**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).**

No action.

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

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

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

None.

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

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**Comments will be accepted until**   N/A  

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