

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

Name and address of applicant:

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Has the pond been approved for a private pond permit in the past? No

Location:

County: Gallatin **Township:** 8S **Range:** 5E **Section:** 28

Name of the drainage where the pond would be located: McDonald Creek, East Gallatin River

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

Is this species native to the drainage? If not, was it introduced legally (i.e. by a fish management agency)? Not native, was "legally" introduced

List species of special concern present in the drainage: None

RISKS:

Inlets to or outlets from the pond? Yes X No ___ **Explain:**

Agri-drain structure drains pond to ditch which enters McDonald Creek

Potential for impacts on genetic structure of wild fish populations?

None X Minor ___ Major ___

Comments required for minor or major impacts:

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

None X Minor ___ Major ___

Comments required for minor or major impacts:

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

None X Minor ___ Major ___

Comments required for minor or major impacts:

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

None X Minor ___ Major ___

Comments required for minor or major impacts:

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

Yes, via piscicide or age related mortality in the absence of stocking.

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

Private ponds do pose risks to wild fisheries.

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.

None

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

None

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

None

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

An introduction of this scope is adequately addressed by an EA.

Literature Cited:

EA prepared by: Tim Weiss

Comments will be accepted until: NA

Comments should be sent to:

Email Address: