



Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Application of: Triple Grizzly Application Date: 19 October 2015

REPORT OF INSPECTION – FISH POND LICENSE

Is the pond or lake created by artificial impoundment of water? **Yes; excavated pit fed by groundwater.**

Describe water source: **Groundwater.**

List any fish species present: **Rainbow trout**

How is the pond constructed? X Excavated Dam Other

Does the pond include any portion of a natural stream or lake? **No**

Describe dam and outlet structure, if any: **Screened Agridrain.**

Have screens been provided: NA on diversion inlet? Yes on pond outlet?

Describe discharge of pond water to nearest stream or lake, if any: **Screened outlet flows to wetland swale that drains into an irrigation ditch.**

Fish species present in nearby stream/lake? **Closest stream is the Ruby River; brown trout, rainbow trout, mountain whitefish, white sucker, longnose sucker, and sculpin are present.**

Likelihood of fish escaping from pond? **Very low**

Give name of any person(s) who accompanied you during inspection: **Todd Fanning**

Do you recommend that a private pond license is granted? X Yes No

List reasons: This pond license renewal complies with all legal and practical requirements of the permit.

Region: 3

GPS location(Decimal Degrees) -- Latitude: **45.28908** Longitude: **-112.09470**

Comments: **The applicant shall regularly inspect and maintain the inlet and outlet screens**

Matt Jaeger
Inspector

29 April 2016
Date of Inspection

DECISION RECORD – FISH POND LICENSE

DECISION: Reissue

- Private Pond License
- Commercial Pond License
- One-Time-Permission-to-Plant letter
- Denial

EA #/Title: Ruby 16-1 (if applicable)

APPROVED SPECIES: Westslope trout

LICENSE RESTRICTIONS:

DECISION REASONING:

- Pond meets all other requirements for Private Pond License.
- Other (specify)

Regional Fisheries Manager

Date

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF FISH INTRODUCTIONS
PRIVATE POND APPLICATION

Applicant Name: Triple Grizzly LLC

Applicant Address: PO B0x 76 Alder, MT 59710

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

Pond Location: 45.28908, -112.09470

County: Madison Township: 6S Range: 4W Section: 28 NENE

Name of the drainage where the pond would be located: Ruby River

Is the species to be introduced native to the drainage? Yes No

If no, is it present in the drainage by lawful introduction (e.g., by authority of a fish management agency)?

Yes No Explain:

List species of concern present in the drainage:

Westslope cutthroat trout

RISKS:

Are the pond inlets and outlets screened or otherwise secure against fish escape? Yes No

If yes, provide details including screen dimensions and mesh size, if applicable: Agridrain outlet structure with <1/2" grates

Is there potential that this fish introduction could harm the genetic structure of wild fish populations?

None Minor Major Comments required for minor or major impacts:

Is there potential that this fish introduction could harm any life stage of existing fish populations due to competition and/or predation?

None Minor Major Comments required for minor or major impacts:

Is there potential that this fish introduction could harm other forms of aquatic life?

None Minor Major Comments required for minor or major impacts:

Is there potential for the proposed new species to reproduce in this location?

None Minor Major

Comments required for minor or major impacts:

If necessary, would it be feasible to remove this introduced species after it has been stocked? Yes No

Explain how it would be removed:

Piscicide

Would this fish introduction have effects that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable?

No

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

Denying pond permit and not stocking fish.

Describe and evaluate mitigation, stipulations, or other control measures enforceable by the agency, as appropriate to reduce the risk of harm from this fish introduction.

All reasonable control measures are in place given the relative risk of the proposed introduction.

List all agencies or individuals that may be affected by the proposed introductions:

FWP

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

If no, explain why the EA is the appropriate level of analysis for the proposed action:

There are no significant impacts and this pond complies with all formal and practical requirements to receive a permit.

Literature Cited: NA

EA prepared by: Matt Jaeger

Comments will be accepted until: NA

Comments should be sent to: NA

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