

Dept. of Natural Resources & Conservation
WATER RIGHTS INFORMATION

On-line Information on Water Rights, Well Logs, Maps, Property Ownership, and more

DNRC WATER RESOURCES DIVISION: <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/water>

DNRC WATER RIGHTS BUREAU: <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/water/water-rights>

- New Appropriations Program: Basin Closures, Controlled Groundwater Areas, etc.
- Water Right Form: <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/water/water-rights/water-right-forms>
- Adjudication Information
- General Information, FAQs & Brochures
- Water Resource Surveys by County: assessment of Montana's historical water use with maps
- Montana Water Court
- MT Code Annotated: <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/water/water-rights/hearings-unit>
- Water Right Ownership Updates: House Bill 39 requirements, forms and instructions
- Find a Water Right: Water Right Query System link: Search for water rights by *name*, *water right number*, or click on *Advanced Search* <http://wrqs.dnrc.mt.gov/default.aspx>

MONTANA CADASTRAL MAPPING PROGRAM: <http://svc.mt.gov/msl/mtcadastral/>

Search property ownership by county, address, geocode or legal land description

GWIC Well Log Website: <http://mbmggwic.mtech.edu/>

MT Bureau of Mines and Geology maintains records on **wells**. Create a User ID to search this site. FYI: Well logs are usually listed under original owner's name-who had the well drilled.

MONTANA NATURAL RESOURCE INFORMATION SYSTEM: <http://geoinfo.msl.mt.gov/>

Maps, aerial photographs, include searches for water rights based on geographic parameters.

MONTANA DNRC WATER RESOURCES LOCAL AND REGIONAL OFFICES

Missoula: 2705 Spurgin Rd, Bldg C. Missoula MT 59806

Phone 406-721-4284, serving counties, Granite, Mineral, Missoula and Ravalli

Helena: Helena Regional Office, 1424 Ninth Avenue, P.O. Box 201601, Helena, Montana 59620-1601. Phone: 406-444-6999. Serving counties- Beaverhead, Broadwater, Deer Lodge, Jefferson, Powell, Lewis & Clark and Silver Bow

Other Regional Offices: <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/water/water-rights/water-resources-regional-offices>

CLERK AND RECORDER OFFICES: *Chain of Title* and deed records, etc

Granite County: Phone 406-859-3771. 220 N Sansome St, Philipsburg, MT 59858 www.co.granite.mt.us

Mineral County: Phone 406- 822-3521. 300 River St, Superior, MT 59872. www.co.mineral.mt.us

Missoula County: Phone 406-721-5700. 200 West Broadway, Missoula, MT 59802 <http://www.missoulacounty.us/>

Ravalli County: Phone 406-375-6555, 215 S 4th St, Suite C, Hamilton, MT 59840 <http://ravalli.us/129/Clerk-Recorder>

DEPT. OF REVENUE: Find a geocode for a property

Regional office search:

http://revenue.mt.gov/Portals/9/businesses/TaxIncentives_Relief/naturaldisaster_taxrelief/LocalCounty_OfficeLocations.pdf

Granite County: 406-859-3521

Mineral County: 406-649-6660

Missoula County: 406-329-1400

Ravalli County: 406-375-2700

SUMMARY OF WATER RIGHTS IN MONTANA

Water Rights in Montana February 2018 handbook, pdf version located at

<https://leg.mt.gov/content/Publications/Environmental/2018-water-rights-handbook-final.pdf>