

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR - BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DISTRICT - MULTIPLE TRACTS
DISTRICT BILL

Account Number: D002-P13
Bill Number: 7 2023000000002
Due Date: 02/01/2023
Date Issued: 12/21/2022

BILL TO: FLATHEAD IRRIGATION DISTRICT
P. O. BOX 281
RONAN MT 59864

Taxpayer identification number is missing; Contact your local irrigation office
New payment options are described on the Payment Coupon

CURRENT DUE	+	OTHER CHARGES		CURRENT TOTAL = AMOUNT DUE
1,557,995.04				1,557,995.04

-- DESCRIPTION OF CHARGES --

UNIT/SERIAL	SHARE	ACRES	HALF RATE	AMOUNT*
MULTIPLE	1.0000000	A 86,868.169	17.750	1,557,995.04
LAKE COUNTY	ACRES:	74,942.399		AMOUNT: 1,346,083.53
SANDERS COUNTY	ACRES:	11,925.770		AMOUNT: 211,911.51
CURRENT HALF TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:				1,557,995.04

* * * The total AMOUNT* due shown above is correct. * * *
However, due to rounding on individual land assignments, it may not equal
total acres times rate. See assignment list for complete details.

**** See enclosure for important information concerning your bill ****

(A) Explanation of charges: The Bureau of Indian Affairs charges operation and maintenance costs and construction costs against the acreage within each allotment, farm unit or tribal unit that is designated as assessable within its irrigation projects, in accordance with 25 CFR Section 171.500, 25 CFR Parts 134-139, and other regulations as applicable. This bill includes charges for operation and maintenance, or construction, costs for the current irrigation season. The amount due is calculated by multiplying (1) your share in your allotment, farm unit or tribal unit by (2) its acreage by (3) the rate for the project, as shown on your bill under the heading 'Description of Charges'. The billing project may enforce a minimum billing charge, storage fee, or you may have entered into an agreement for a surcharge. In these cases, the formula will not apply.

(B) This bill does not qualify for a payment plan.

(C) If you do not pay the amount due by the due date, you will be assessed charges as follows, in accordance with 31 CFR Section 901.9:

- (1) For operation and maintenance and construction charges, after the due date, your bill shall be assessed interest at the rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3717.
- (2) We will send you another letter requesting payment of the amount due approximately 30 days after the due date. There shall be an administrative charge of \$12.50 for this letter.
- (3) Ninety days after the due date, your bill shall be assessed a penalty charge of 6 percent per year, accruing from the original due date.

(D) If you do not pay the amount due by 30 calendar days after the due date, your bill will be referred to the Department of the Treasury for collection action. This action may be taken at any time after a demand letter is issued for this bill, and must be taken by 180 days after the due date for this bill. The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 authorizes this action.

(E) You have certain rights related to this bill. These include the right to:

- (1) Review our records related to your bill, and receive a copy of these records; and
- (2) Request of the Agency Superintendent, a withdrawal or adjustment of your bill based upon an error in the bill. If you believe an error has been made, contact the billing project immediately to explain what you think is in error and to request the withdrawal or adjustment; and
- (3) Appeal the bill consistent with the instructions, below, in (F). We recommend that you first attempt to correct the error as described above. However, if you want to appeal the bill, you MUST file the appeal within 30 days of the due date.

(F) A written decision made by the Agency Superintendent may be appealed to the Regional Director in accordance with the regulations in 25 CFR Part 2. Your notice of appeal to the Regional Director must be signed by you and must be mailed no later than 30 days after the due date, or your appeal will be

The date of filing your notice of appeal is the date it is postmarked. Your appeal should include a copy of your bill, this letter, the written decision from the Agency Superintendent, and any information you have which leads you to believe this bill is in error. Copies of the notice of appeal must be sent to:

(1) BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DIRECTOR, Northwest Region
911 NE 11TH AVENUE
Portland, OR 97232
503-231-6702
and,

(2) each interested party known to you; and,

(3) the Superintendent at the address shown below.

If you file a notice of appeal, the Bureau of Indian Affairs will notify you of further appeal procedures. You may also file a statement of reasons within 30 days after filing your Notice of Appeal. While your appeal is pending, interest and penalties will be suspended on your bill, and your bill will not be referred to the Department of the Treasury. However, if you lose your appeal, you will be assessed interest and penalties from the original due date of your bill. Then, unless you pay your bill, your bill will be referred to the Department of the Treasury for collection.

(g) If you have any questions relating to this bill, you may contact the Agency Superintendent at the following address and telephone number:

Flathead Indian Irrigation Project
220 Project Drive
St. Ignatius, MT 59865
406-745-2661

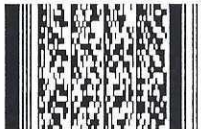
PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Go to Pay.Gov, <https://www.pay.gov/public/form/start/46487927> and follow the instructions provided for making payment by a credit or debit card, Automated Clearing House (ACH) electronic check, PayPal, or Amazon Pay.
- 2) Online Bill Pay(OLBP) - Access your bank's online bill pay option, follow instructions to add a new payee 'BIA Irrigation' and use your Account Number located in the upper right corner of this bill/coupon to make a payment directly from your checking account.
- 3) Mail in - Make checks payable to: BIA Irrigation and mail to the address that appears in the payment coupon below. Include the payment coupon.

Privacy Act-A Privacy Act Statement required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(3) stating our authority for soliciting and collecting the information from your check, and explaining the purposes and routine uses which will be made from your check information, is available from our internet site at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2003/02/04/03-2521/privacy-act-of-1974-as-amended-system-of-records> or call toll-free (1-866-945-7920) to obtain a copy by mail. Furnishing the check information is voluntary, but a decision not to do so may require you to make payment by some other method. The stated Total Amount Due is for this bill only and does not include amounts owed from previous billings.

When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us either to use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account or to process the payment as a check transaction. When we use information from your check to make an electronic fund transfer, funds may be withdrawn from your account as soon as the same day we receive your payment, and you will not receive your check back from your financial institution.

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Payment Coupon For Bill Number: 7 202300000002
Issuing Agency:

Account Number: D002-P13
FLATHEAD IRRIGATION DISTRICT
P. O. BOX 281
RONAN MT 59864

NOTE: NEW MAILING ADDRESS

Mail Payment To:
BIA:Irrigation

PO BOX 979135
ST LOUIS, MO 63197-9000

Due Date: 02/01/2023
Amount Due: 1,557,995.04

Amount Enclosed: _____

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