

**THE BITTERROOT CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CONCERNING SPRING (LITTLE) CREEK**

The Bitterroot Conservation District (BCD) has accepted a petition requesting a declaratory ruling pertaining to the BCD's jurisdiction on Spring (Little) Creek, also known as Wood Ditch, under the Streambed and Land Preservation Act (310 law).

The BCD will hold a public hearing **April 27, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., at the Legion Hall, Corner of Meyer Lane and Middle Burnt Fork Road, Stevensville, MT 59870**, to hear oral arguments on the information gathered concerning the following issues raised in the petition:

Whether Spring (Little) Creek is a natural perennial-flowing stream from its mouth to its source even though the flow in Spring (Little) Creek is controlled by a headgate?

**PERSONS INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING PLEASE NOTE THE  
FOLLOWING PROCESS AND FILING DATES**

Written statements and documented information and data have been filed at the above BCD address and are available for public inspection by appointment at the BCD office during normal business hours, or at the Stevensville Library during normal hours, through April 27, 2009. Public comments may be presented to the BCD at the April 27, 2009, public meeting. This is not a contested case proceeding and the cross-examination of persons providing information will not be allowed. However, all oral statements made at the meeting must be made under oath as to the truthfulness of the information.