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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA SUPREME COURT CAUSE NO. _____

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR WATER COMMISSIONER TO MEASURE AND DISTRIBUTE WATER ON BEAVER CREEK WITHIN BASIN 411, PURSUANT TO THE PRIOR DECREE ENTERED IN	Cause No. DV-4-1882-0000208-WT
SPOKANE RANCH & WATER CO.	
V.	
C. W. DODGE, ET AL.	

NOTICE OF APPEAL

NOTICE is hereby given that Pole Creek Ranch LLC and Staubach Creek Ranch LLC ("Appellants"), as Dissatisfied Water Users in the above-captioned matter, filed in the Montana First Judicial District Court, in and for the County of Broadwater, as Cause No. DV-4-1882-0000208-WT, hereby appeals to the Montana Supreme Court from the order entered in such action on the 26th day of February 2025, entitled *Order* (Doc. 25), denying Appellants' relief and complaint against the Water Commissioner's distribution of water, wherein a Notice of Entry of Judgment under M.R.Civ.P. 77(d) was entered on March 4, 2025 (Doc. 26).

THE APPELLANT FURTHER CERTIFIES:

1. That this appeal is not subject to the mediation process required by Mont. R. App. P. 7.

2. That this appeal is not an appeal from an order certified as final under Mont. R. Civ. P. 54(b).

3. That a copy of this Notice of Appeal is being served upon counsel of record and every party not represented by Counsel and the Clerk of Court of Broadwater County.

4. That there are no transcripts of the proceedings in this case to be ordered from the court reporter with the filing of this notice of appeal.

5. That included herewith is the filing fee prescribed by statute.

DATED this 26th day of March 2025.

PARSONS BEHLE & LATIMER

<u>/s/ John E. Bloomquist</u> John E. Bloomquist Betsy R. Story Attorneys for Appellants Pole Creek Ranch LLC and Staubach Creek Ranch LLC

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have filed a true and accurate copy of the foregoing Notice of Appeal with the Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court; and that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing Notice of Appeal upon the Clerk of District Court, each attorney of record, and each party not represented by an attorney in the above-referenced District Court action, as follows:

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