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BOZEMAN MONTANA



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## 12 Lewis Drive, Three Forks MT 59752

\$150,000

Acres: ± 2.956

MLS#: 411358

# INTRODUCTION

Discover the perfect setting to build your Montana dream home at 12 Lewis Drive in the highly sought-after Colter's Run Subdivision near Three Forks. Surrounded by panoramic mountain views, rolling hillsides, and wide-open skies, this property offers the ideal balance of peaceful country living and convenient access to adventure. What sets this lot apart is that much of the heavy lifting has already been completed for you. Soil testing, well logs, geotechnical engineering, and DEQ-approved build site documentation are already in place—giving buyers added confidence and helping streamline the building process. Colter's Run is designed for those who want room to breathe and space to enjoy the Montana lifestyle. The community features paved roads, power to each lot, over 15 acres of dedicated park space, scenic trail systems, and protective covenants that preserve the beauty and value of the neighborhood. Build a custom single-family home along with a guest house and shop, barn, or garage. With allowance for up to two horses, this equestrian-friendly community is ideal for those seeking both recreation and freedom. Outdoor opportunities are endless with easy access to the Gallatin, Jefferson, and Madison Rivers, Missouri Headwaters State Park, and Copper City Trails bike park. Whether your perfect day includes fly fishing, horseback riding, mountain biking, or simply enjoying sunset views from your future back porch, this property puts it all within reach. Located just minutes from Three Forks and approximately 30 minutes from Bozeman with quick access to I-90, this is a rare opportunity to create the Montana lifestyle you've been dreaming about. MLS# 411358



## FEATURES

<b>Status:</b>	Active
<b>Type:</b>	Land
<b>Sub Type:</b>	UnimprovedLand
<b>Acres:</b>	± 2.956
<b>Listing Date:</b>	2026-05-20
<b>Listing Agent:</b>	Tyler Garrison of ERA Landmark Real Estate

## LOCATION



Address: 12 Lewis Drive, Three Forks MT 59752

# PHOTOS







# INVESTING IN MONTANA RANCH LAND



Interest in Montana ranch land as an investment has been strong over the last several years. Throughout Montana, but particularly in Southwest Montana we have seen increased demand for ranches as a safe investment. Making the decision to pursue investing in ranch land can be incredibly rewarding (both personally and financially) but there are a lot of factors that go into investing and owning ranch land. "Ranch" is a general term that can describe a wide range of property from large income producing cattle ranches, smaller recreational properties, fly fishing properties, hunting ranches, or horse properties with just a few acres. All of these definitions of ranch property are in demand in Montana, and are appreciating in value over the long term. However, income producing ranch land is the most stable, and is in the highest demand by investors.

Before buying property in Montana it is important to understand Montana Water Rights. All water in Montana is owned by the State. A Montana Water Right allows you to legally use water in a prescribed manner, but not to own the water itself. Montana's water law is based in the Doctrine of Prior Appropriation - First in Time, First in Right. Water rights are ranked according to the date on which the water was first put to beneficial use. Priority dates dictate the volume and distribution of water from wells, rivers, and streams. Landowners must put the water to beneficial use without waste to retain their right to use Montana's water. Without diversion and beneficial use, there is no water right.





A conservation easement is a legal agreement between a landowner and a land trust that limits the uses of the land in order to protect its conservation values. The landowner retains title to the property. The creation of the conservation easement can qualify as a one-time donation that has tax benefits. The conservation easement runs with the title, meaning that if the property is purchased by a new owner, the conservation easement remains. Land ownership carries with it a bundle of rights—the right to occupy, lease, sell, develop, construct buildings, farm, restrict access or

harvest timber, among others. A landowner can give up one or more of those rights for a purpose such as conservation while retaining ownership of the remainder of the rights. In ceding a right, the landowner “eases” it to another entity, such as a land trust. For example, a landowner may give up the right to build additional structures while retaining the right to grow crops.

Landowners looking to sell their property can use conservation easements to protect what future owners are able to do with the property. This typically reduces the marketable value of the property. If the conservation is setup properly, the landowners are able to take advantage of tax benefits associated with the creation and “donation” of the conservation easement. The potential tax benefits of a donated conservation easement are two-fold. First, income tax benefits may exist at the federal level. There may be benefits at the state level as well. However, state property taxes can not be reduced by a donation of a conservation easement in Montana. Second, the conservation easement works as an estate planning tool to reduce estate tax liability. To qualify for a tax deduction, the donation of a conservation easement must be considered a charitable gift by the IRS(Internal Revenue Service). It is strongly recommended that a qualified tax professional review the conservation easement donation to ensure it meets IRS requirements. A tax deductible, charitable donation can only be made to an IRS qualified tax-exempt organization. The donation of a conservation easement must be complete and irrevocable in perpetuity. In order to claim a tax deduction on the donation of a conservation easement the landowner must obtain a qualified appraisal by a state certified appraiser.

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