

42-313. Right to collect and store water. Any person entitled to use water for beneficial purposes may collect and store the same and all natural flows for use thereafter, so long as such collection, storage, use and times of use thereafter are consistent with reasonable storage and conservation practices; and the failure to apply or use such waters during the period of such collection and storage shall not be deemed or taken to impair his right in that behalf: Provided, Such collection and storage of all natural flows shall be subject to vested rights and prior appropriation rights.

History: L. 1891, ch. 133, art. 2, § 4; R.S. 1923, 42-313; L. 1957, ch. 539, §5; June 29.