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Ladies and Gentleman of the Joint Long-Range Planning Committee

The Mayor, Two City Council members, and myself did have a flight chartered for this morning, but due to severe winter weather conditions we decided it was best to stay home.

Scott Murphy from Morrison-Maierle Engineers and Becky Beard from BETA were employed by the City of Glasgow to develop the PER and Grant Application for our Lagoon Project. The City requested them to be present before you today, and will be able to answer any questions you may have pertaining to our Wastewater Treatment project.

Aside from the TSEP funds the City of Glasgow will pay for the balance of the project through a local consumer utility rate increase, and borrowed monies through the State Revolving Loan Program.

As Mr. Murphy will probably touch on, our current Wastewater Treatment Facility (which is an Aerated Lagoon) was constructed in 1975 and had a 20-year design life.

Other than general repair items you would normally expect to fix after 30 years of service, the main push behind this project is that the current lagoon cannot meet the new limit of Ammonia concentration set on our daily discharge.

I'm pleased that Mr. Murphy and his colleagues have proposed a very practical, common sense solution to the needs of the city's Wastewater Treatment Facility.

The plan is to use the existing lagoon configuration and remove and update similar components within the system such as a new and more efficient aeration system, piping and valves, new flow meter, and implement a new component to reduce the amount of Ammonia released into the Milk River.

Additionally, there will also be some updates performed to the City's wastewater pump station, which is still using components from the date of its construction in 1957.

Morrison-Maierle has developed a sound and economical solution to our needs, and with your help the TSEP grant will greatly reduce the financial burden to the local consumer.

Sincerely, Jon Bengochea Director of Public Works – Glasgow, Montana