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**Testimony on C&A Grant #1133  
Joint Committee on Long Range Planning  
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Good Morning Chairman Wells and members of the committee. For the record, my name is Delores Morrow. I am the Supervisor of the Photograph Archives at the Montana Historical Society. I am testifying on behalf of grant #1133. The Montana Historical Society supports this project and is one of the principals in the plan of work.

Evelyn Cameron is a significant historical figure in Montana. As an early woman rancher and professional photographer she is unique. Her photographs of early Montana homesteaders and ranchers significantly document life in eastern Montana from 1894 until 1928.

The staff of the Montana Historical Society has worked for many years with the citizens of Terry to assist them in the creation of an exhibit of Cameron prints. Now we are collaborating with them on a grant that will give people online access to Cameron images and encourage people from all over the country to visit the Evelyn Cameron Gallery.

If this grant is successful, the Prairie County Museum and the Montana Historical Society will work together to gather information about each of Cameron's 2,000 spectacular photographs, record this information on a publicly accessible online catalog, and create a virtual exhibit on the worldwide web.

People in Terry, Montana, who knew Cameron or had their families photographed by her, will help identify many of the Cameron negatives. Others negatives will be

identified from information in Cameron's diaries, local histories and library and archives sources. A researcher will be hired to piece together clues about each of the negatives and identify them so that a cataloger can enter this information on the Montana Shared Catalog, an online catalog. A web exhibit featuring selected Cameron photographs also will be created.

The goal of this project is for people all over the world to locate Cameron's images on the web and more fully appreciate the cultural history of eastern Montana. This will bring more people to Terry to visit the Evelyn Cameron Gallery, and help them understand the rich history of the eastern part of our state.