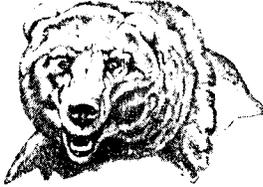




# STATE OF MONTANA



DEPARTMENT OF

**FISH AND GAME**

Helena, MT 59601

June 27, 1979

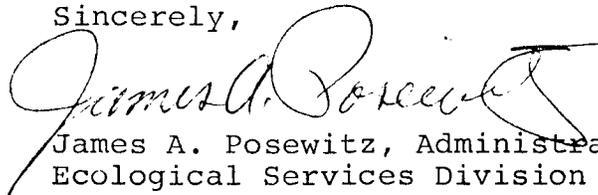
Mr. Terry Carmody, Executive Director  
Environmental Quality Council  
Helena, MT 59601

Dear Terry:

Enclosed are two copies of FG-N-108, the PER for Council Groves State Monument. This project consists only of building a dike behind an existing dike. Minimal environmental impacts are expected from this activity.

We hope this document meets the requirements of the Montana Environmental Policy Act. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,



James A. Posewitz, Administrator  
Ecological Services Division

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cc: Missoula County Commission  
Water Quality Bureau

FG-N-108  
PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW  
FOR  
CONCIL GROVE STATE MONUMENT

JUNE 1979

PARKS DIVISION

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE & PARK

- I. This project is located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 5, R20W, T13N in Missoula County. The Clark Fork River runs through the southern boundary of the site.
- II. This project will consist of building a dike across a channel behind an existing dike. The wet land behind the existing channel will be greatly enhanced by this activity and bird and wildlife habitat will be improved. The dike will contain approximately 3000 cu. yds. of fill material.
- III. The purpose of the proposed dike is two fold; one it will provide access to an island in the southwest corner of the site, and two it will protect a valuable fish and wildlife habitat just down stream in a slough.
- IV. There is a new subdivision located to the north of the project site, but no conflicts are anticipated.

In July 1855, Isaac Stevens held a council to induce the Flathead, Kootenai and Pend d' Oreille Indians to sign the Hellgate Treaty relinquishing their ancestral hunting grounds to the white man in exchange for a reservation to be shared amongst them in the Mission valley.

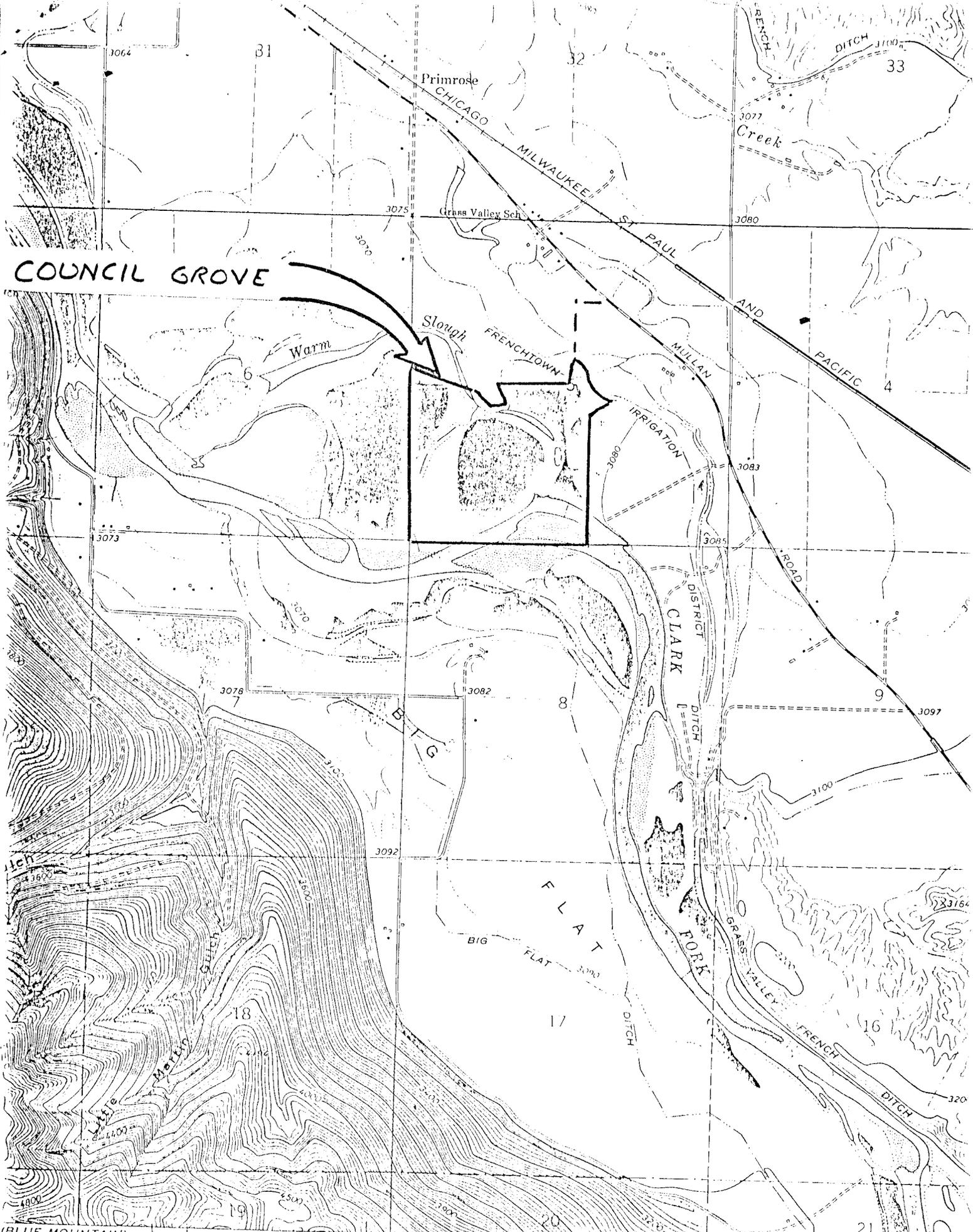
Aside from its historic significance, huge ponderosa pines, shady cottonwoods, marshes, sloughs, river front and prairie, all combine to make the area a recreationist's paradise.

There will be temporary air pollution in the form of dust from the construction activities. There will be minor temporary impacts on water quality in the form of silt in a back water slough, however; no silt will reach the river.

The dike will not only protect the fish and wildlife habitat but it will protect a historical site from erosion and also protect some private residences downstream in the subdivision.

TC  
6-7-79

COUNCIL GROVE



(BLUE MOUNTAIN)  
31771 SW

R. 20 W.

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