



Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

2300 Lake Elmo Drive
Billings, MT 59105
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TO:

Environmental Quality Council
Director's Office, Dept. of Environmental Quality
Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared for the proposed removal of introduced yellow perch from two private ponds along the Yellowstone River east of Columbus, MT. The draft EA was circulated for 22 days and posted on Montana's electronic bulletin board. No comments were received. The department has decided to proceed with the project as proposed.

This project is subject to appeal, which must be submitted to the FWP Director in writing, and postmarked within 30 days of the date on this decision notice. The appeal must specifically describe the basis for the appeal, explain how the appellant has previously commented to the department or participated in the decision-making process, and lay out how FWP might address the concerns in the appeal. If you have questions regarding this decision notice, please address them to me at hnyberg@state.mt.us or call me at 247-2951.

Sincerely,

Harvey E. Nyberg
Regional Supervisor
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