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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA
Zone 3 East Fox Reservoir Expansion Project

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The Montana Department of Environmental Quality has reviewed the above named project. The project consists of constructing a new 2 million gallon (MG) at-grade pre-stressed concrete water storage reservoir adjacent to the existing 2 MG Fox Reservoir. The proposed project will also include all piping, valves and appurtenances necessary to connect the new tank the existing transmission main and tank overflow pipeline.

The proposed project is located off Wicks Lane just west of the Wicks Lane and High Sierra Boulevard intersection in Billings, Montana. Harvest Church is situated to the east of the project site. The property is owned by the City of Billings and is generally surrounded with undeveloped property with an existing park to the west.

Pursuant to ARM 17.40.318, the Department has concluded that the proposed project meets the Categorical Exclusion criteria of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA). The Categorical Exclusion may be revoked if the project is not initiated within the time period specified in the planning documents, a new or modified application is submitted, or new evidence demonstrates serious local or environmental issues exist, or state, local, tribal, or federal laws are violated. The documentation for the Categorical Exclusion is available for public review at the following locations:

Department of Environmental Quality
State Revolving Fund Loan Program
1520 East Sixth Avenue
Helena, MT 59601

Billings Public Works Department
2224 Montana Avenue
Billings, MT 59101

Sincerely,

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