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This letter is to express concern over the lack of concern about the safety and health of the citizens of Ravalli County and Montana.

Repeatedly, the county + state provides a year or two of preparation time to obtain information + make application for water rights and subdivision application for the developer.

We have recently experienced the unfairness of this process with our proximity to the Legacy ranch subdivision proposal and it's impact on our home + irrigation wells. We were given one month to obtain scientific data in order to file an objection (of which we had to provide $25 to file). The developer has been gathering data, leaving toward their benefit, for 3 years.

We both are having to work full time and are unable to attend meetings that are held during daytime work hours.

I believe as residents of Ravalli County we should be granted in all fairness, public representation to protect our water, air and our health. The developers should shoulder some of that bill as it is their impact that we are speaking.
We also should be provided at least a 90 day period of time to provide an objection to the DNRC or other state + local agencies when development affects our health + wellbeing

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