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PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGISLATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL
POLICY OFFICE

The purpose of this notice is to state the Department's intention to issue a storm water discharge permit authorization under the *General Permit for Storm Water Discharge Associated with Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)* ("General Permit") to the facilities listed in this notice. This notice does not pertain to the General Permit itself as that document was the subject of Public Notice MT-04-08 dated August 20, 2004. This authorization is issued by the Department under the authority of 75-5-402, Montana Code Annotated (MCA); the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.30.1101 *et seq.* and 17.30.1301 *et seq.*, Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES); and Sections 402 and 303 of the Federal Clean Water Act. The Water Protection Bureau has prepared a tentative authorization for the facilities listed below.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAMES:

City of Bozeman
P.O. Box 1230
Bozeman, MT 59771-1230

Montana State University – Bozeman
P.O. 172760
Bozeman, MT 59717-172760

Montana Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 3068
Butte, MT 59702-3068

FACILITY NAME:

City of Bozeman, Montana State University – Bozeman, and
Montana Department of Transportation Small Municipal
Separate Storm Sewer Systems

FACILITY LOCATION:

Within the City of Bozeman limits and permitted area as
identified in the application

RECEIVING WATER:

For the City of Bozeman and Montana State University –
Bozeman: Spring Creek, Bozeman Creek, Bridger Creek, East

Gallatin River. For the Montana Department of
Transportation: Bozeman Creek, East Gallatin River

PERMIT NUMBER: MTR040002

This permit authorization regulates the discharge of storm water from the City of Bozeman, Montana State University – Bozeman, and Montana Department of Transportation Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) into state waters. Storm water discharges from Small MS4s contain pollutants that may cause impairment of state waters. To reduce the levels of pollutants in the discharge, permittees are required to develop, implement, and enforce a Storm Water Management Program (SWMP) addressing six minimum control measures and implement Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Copies of the City of Bozeman, Montana State University - Bozeman, and the Montana Department of Transportation application, and the Department's draft authorization and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov. Copies of the application can be viewed at the Department of Environmental Quality, or at the Bozeman City Engineers Office (20 East Olive Street - Bozeman), or at Montana State University – Bozeman (MSU Office of Facilities within the Plew Building at the corner of 6th Street and Grant Street - Bozeman), or at the Montana Department of Transportation Butte District Office (3751 Wynne Avenue – Butte).

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAMES: City of Great Falls
P.O. Box 5021
Great Falls, MT 59403

Cascade County
115 4th Street South
Great Falls, MT 59401

Montana Department of Transportation – Great Falls District
P.O. Box 1359
Great Falls, MT 59403

FACILITY NAME: City of Great Falls, Cascade County, and Montana Department
of Transportation Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer
Systems

FACILITY LOCATION: Within the urbanized area associated with the City of Great Falls and permitted area as identified in the application

RECEIVING WATER: Missouri River, Sun River, and Sand Coulee Creek

PERMIT NUMBER: MTR040004

This permit authorization regulates the discharge of storm water from the City of Great Falls, Cascade County, and Montana Department of Transportation Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) into state waters. Storm water discharges from Small MS4s contain pollutants that may cause impairment of state waters. To reduce the levels of pollutants in the discharge, permittees are required to develop, implement, and enforce a Storm Water Management Program (SWMP) addressing six minimum control measures and implement Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Copies of the City of Great Falls, Cascade County, and the Montana Department of Transportation application, and the Department's draft authorization and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov. Copies of the application can be viewed at the Department of Environmental Quality, or at the City of Great Falls City Engineers Office (1025 25th Avenue Northeast – Great Falls), Cascade County Health Department Building (115 4th Street South – Great Falls), or at the Montana Department of Transportation Great Falls District Office (200 Smelter Avenue Northeast – Great Falls).

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAME: Montana Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 3068
Butte, MT 59702-3068

FACILITY NAME: Montana Department of Transportation Helena Small
Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems

FACILITY LOCATION: Montana Department of Transportation
Roadways/Facilities Within City of Helena Limits

RECEIVING WATER: Prickly Pear Creek and Tenmile Creek

PERMIT NUMBER: MTR040009

This permit authorization regulates the discharge of storm water from the Montana Department of

Transportation Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) into state waters. Storm water discharges from Small MS4s contain pollutants that may cause impairment of state waters. To reduce the levels of pollutants in the discharge, permittees are required to develop, implement, and enforce a Storm Water Management Program (SWMP) addressing six minimum control measures and implement Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Copies of the Montana Department of Transportation's application, and the Department's draft authorization and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov. Copies of the Montana Department of Transportation's application can be viewed at the Department of Environmental Quality or at the Montana Department of Transportation Environmental Services Bureau Office (2701 Prospect Avenue – Helena).

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAMES: City of Kalispell
 P.O. Box 1997
 Kalispell, MT 59903-1997

 Montana Department of Transportation, Missoula District
 P.O. Box 7308
 Kalispell, MT 59901-7308

FACILITY NAME: City of Kalispell and Montana Department of Transportation
 Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems

FACILITY LOCATION: Within the City of Kalispell limits and permitted area as
 identified in the application

RECEIVING WATER: For the City of Kalispell: Whitefish River, Stillwater River,
 Ashley Creek, Spring Creek. For the Montana Department of
 Transportation: Ashley Creek, Spring Creek, Stillwater River

PERMIT NUMBER: MTR040005

This permit authorization regulates the discharge of storm water from the City of Kalispell and Montana Department of Transportation Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) into state waters. Storm water discharges from Small MS4s contain pollutants that may cause impairment of state waters. To reduce the levels of pollutants in the discharge, permittees are required to develop, implement, and enforce a Storm Water Management Program (SWMP) addressing six minimum control measures and implement Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Copies of the City of Kalispell and the Montana Department of Transportation application, and the Department's draft authorization and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov . Copies of the application can be viewed at the Department of Environmental Quality, or at the City of Kalispell Public Works Office (306 1st Avenue East - Kalispell), or at the Montana Department of Transportation District Office (85 5th Avenue East North – Kalispell).

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAME: Malmstrom Air Force Base
39 78th Street North
Malmstrom AFB, MT 59405

FACILITY NAME: Malmstrom Air Force Base Small Municipal Separate Storm
Sewer Systems

FACILITY LOCATION: Small MS4s within Malmstrom Air Force Base limits
and permitted area as identified in the application

RECEIVING WATER: Missouri River and Pow-Wow Pond

PERMIT NUMBER: MTR040008

This permit authorization regulates the discharge of storm water from the Malmstrom Air Force Base Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) into state waters. Storm water discharges from Small MS4s contain pollutants that may cause impairment of state waters. To reduce the levels of pollutants in the discharge, permittees are required to develop, implement, and enforce a Storm Water Management Program (SWMP) addressing six minimum control measures and implement Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Copies of the Montana Department of Transportation's application, and the Department's draft authorization and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov . Copies of the Malmstrom Air Force Base's application can be viewed at the Department of Environmental Quality, or at Malmstrom Air Force Base Library (341 SVS/SVRL), or at the City of Great Falls Library (301 2nd Avenue North – Great Falls).

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAMES: City of Missoula
435 Ryman Street
Missoula, MT 59802-4297

Missoula County
6089 Training Drive
Missoula, MT 59808

University of Montana
Building 32, Campus Drive
Missoula, MT 59812

Montana Department of Transportation – Missoula District Office
P.O. Box 7038
Kalispell, MT 59901-7308

FACILITY NAME: City of Missoula, Missoula County, University of Missoula,
and Montana Department of Transportation Small Municipal
Separate Storm Sewer Systems

FACILITY LOCATION: Within the urbanized area associated with the City of
Missoula and permitted area as identified in the
application

RECEIVING WATER: Clark Fork River, Bitterroot River, Pattee Creek, Rattlesnake
Creek, Grant Creek, and Butler Creek (only the Clark Fork
River, Bitterroot River, and Pattee Creek for the University of
Montana)

PERMIT NUMBER: MTR040007

This permit authorization regulates the discharge of storm water from the City of Missoula, Missoula County, University of Montana, and Montana Department of Transportation Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) into state waters. Storm water discharges from Small MS4s contain pollutants that may cause impairment of state waters. To reduce the levels of pollutants in the discharge, permittees are required to develop, implement, and enforce a Storm Water Management Program (SWMP) addressing six minimum control measures and implement Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Copies of the City of Missoula, Missoula County, University of Montana, and the Montana Department of Transportation application, and the Department's draft authorization and

environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov. Copies of the application can be viewed at the Department of Environmental Quality, or at the Missoula City Engineers Office (435 Ryman Street - Missoula), Missoula County (6089 Training Drive - Missoula), University of Montana Facilities Services (Building 32, Campus Drive - Missoula), or at the Montana Department of Transportation Missoula District Office (2100 West Broadway - Missoula).

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAMES: Yellowstone County
 P.O. Box 35024
 Billings, MT 59107-5024

 Montana Department of Transportation
 P.O. Box 20437
 Billings, MT 59104-0437

FACILITY NAME: Yellowstone County and Montana Department of
 Transportation Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer
 Systems

FACILITY LOCATION: Small MS4s within the urbanized area (outside of the
 City of Billings) and permitted area as identified in the
 application

RECEIVING WATER: For Yellowstone County: Yellowstone River, Alkali Creek,
 Hogan's Slough, Canyon Creek, Cove Creek, Blue Creek, Five
 Mile Creek, Yegen Drain, City/County Drain, Lockwood
 Ditch, and Dry Creek. For the Montana Department of
 Transportation: Canyon Creek, Hogan's Slough, Yellowstone
 River, BBWA Canal, Five Mile Creek, Blue Creek, Lockwood
 Ditch, Dry Creek, and Yegen Drain

PERMIT NUMBER: MTR040010

This permit authorization regulates the discharge of storm water from Yellowstone County and the Montana Department of Transportation Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) into state waters. Storm water discharges from Small MS4s contain pollutants that may cause impairment of state waters. To reduce the levels of pollutants in the discharge, permittees are required to develop, implement, and enforce a Storm Water Management Program (SWMP) addressing six minimum control measures and implement Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Copies of the Yellowstone County and the Montana Department of Transportation application, and the Department's draft authorization and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov. Copies of the application can be viewed at the Department of Environmental Quality, or at the Yellowstone County Commissioners Office (217 North 27th Street - Billings), or at the Montana Department of Transportation Billings District Office (424 Morey Street - Billings).

On September 21, 2000, a U.S. District Judge issued an order stating that until all necessary total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act are established for a particular water quality limited segment (WQLS), the State is not to issue any new permits or increase permitted discharges under the MPDES program. The order was issued in the lawsuit Friends of the Wild Swan v. U.S. EPA. et al., CV 97-35-M-DWM, District of Montana, Missoula Division. The DEQ finds that the issuance of this proposed permit does not conflict with the order, because: 1) the permit does not authorize the discharge of any new or increased pollutant load; 2) facilities are required by state and federal regulation to obtain authorization for these discharges under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program or a delegated state program.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are invited ANYTIME PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS July 5, 2006. Comments may be directed to the DEQ Permitting & Compliance Division, Water Protection Bureau, PO Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620. All comments received or postmarked PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS July 5, 2006 will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permits. If you wish to comment electronically, you may e-mail Dianne McKittrick at WPBPublicNotices@mt.gov.

During the public comment period provided by the notice, the Department will accept requests for a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be in writing and must state the nature of the issue proposed to be raised in the hearing (ARM 17.30.1373).

The Department will respond to all substantive comments and issue a final decision within sixty days of this notice or as soon as possible thereafter. Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling (406) 444-3080 or by writing to the aforementioned address. The complete administrative record, including permit application and other pertinent information, is maintained at the Water Protection Bureau office in Helena and is available for review during business hours.

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