

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TOWN OF JUDITH GAP, MONTANA

Water Mains, Water Tank and Wastewater Main Replacement Improvements Project

March 12, 2010

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality has reviewed the above named project. The project consist of installing approximately, 7,200 lineal feet of 8-inch PVC sewer main, 3,200 lineal feet of 6-inch to 8-inch water main and all associated manholes, valves, fire hydrants, fittings, service lines, service connections and gravel surface restoration. The project also included the installation of six water service meters and minor improvements to the elevated water storage tank and tank vault. The majority of the sewer and water main replacement work will occur along the following streets:

Sewer Main Replacement

- Alley between Judith St. and Steele St. from Railroad Ave. to 6<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- Railroad Ave. from Main St. to the alley between Judith St. and Steele St.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. from the alley between Judith St. and Steele St. to US Hwy 191
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave from Main St. to Hill St.
- Hill St. from Railroad Ave. to 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.
- US Highway 191 from Railroad Ave. to 6<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Water Main Replacement

- Main St., US Hwy 191 and Meagher St. from Railroad Ave. to 4<sup>th</sup> Ave
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. and 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. from Meagher St. to US Highway 191
- Montana Ave. from US Highway 191 to Louis St.

This project will be funded in part using grants and low interest loans received from CDBG, TSEP, DNRC, WRDA and DWSRF Program. 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

Judith Gap Town Hall  
601 Meagher Street  
Judith Gap, MT 59453

Sincerely,

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