



NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
COLUMBUS, MONTANA
SRF PROJECT#: C302244

COLUMBUS WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

January 28, 2016

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality has reviewed the above named project. The Town of Columbus has identified the need for the rehabilitation of several of the vitrified clay tile sewer mains located in the older part of town. The aging mains (50 to 60 years old) are in need of restoration before they become too degraded to be cost effectively renewed. Deficiencies in these mains include root intrusions, service tap intrusions, and cracks in the pipes which will only worsen over time as the pipe continues to deteriorate with age. Some of these deficiencies are already severe enough to cause sewage backups into some homes and prevent the effective cleaning and maintenance of these mains. The town will rehabilitate, through the use of cured-in-place pipe (CIPP), approximately 1,800 lineal feet of 12-inch sewer main; 886 lineal feet of 10-inch sewer main; and 21,418 of 18-inch sewer main. With CIPP rehabilitation, a resin-impregnated flexible liner is inserted into the existing pipe and expanded (via pressure) to form a tight fit in the existing pipe. The resin is then cured by circulating hot water or steam within the tube resulting in a hard, seamless, structurally sound pipe inside the old pipe. Once the new pipe has cured, service lines are reestablished internally through use of a remote cutting device which travels down the main to the previously recorded service locations. CIPP can be installed with minimal disruptions to traffic flow and does not require surface restoration. This project will greatly improve the structural integrity of these sewer mains and will eliminate all sewer joints between manholes preventing the intrusion of roots. Locations with protruding service connections, deformed pipes, or off-set joints may require excavation for repair before the CIPP rehabilitation occurs.

Pursuant to ARM 17.40.318, the Montana Department of Environmental Quality 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 Preliminary Engineering Report, 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

Dennis Holten, Public Works Director
Town of Columbus
408 E. 1st Avenue North
Columbus, Montana 59019
Phone (406) 322-5313

Sincerely,

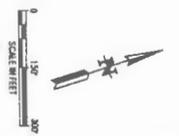
A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Todd Teegarden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "T".

Todd Teegarden, Bureau Chief
Technical & Financial Assistance Bureau
Planning Prevention & Assistance Division
Montana Department of Environmental Quality



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PROPOSED CIPP LOCATIONS



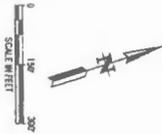
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COLUMBUS, MONTANA
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COLUMBUS CIPP SEWER REHAB
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WEST CIPP SITE PLAN

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