

Public Comment from November 26 to November
29 at 4 p.m.

Weiss, Rachel

From: Margaret MacDonald <macmargaret@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 8:11 AM
To: Redistricting
Subject: Billings Senate Districts

Dear Commissioners:

I appreciate your hard work over the past year and half and thank you for your efforts.

I want to let you know my support for keeping the Senate pairings in Billings as consistent as possible in keeping with the current shape of Senate districts in Billings.

The proposed pairings put forward by Commissioners Smith and Lamson hold those historic districts together, which honors the hard work and relationships that Senators have invested in getting to know their constituents, their neighborhoods and their issues.

Candidates in these urban districts invest months and months going door to door and meeting and visiting with their constituents.

I would also note that the Smith-Lamson proposal most closely reflects the current pairings of Senate Districts in Billings and is most consistent with the "community of interest" criterion articulated by the Commission in its guidelines. The alternative links solidly urban districts into rural districts and diffuses that unifying core community of interest. This concern has been an ongoing concern expressed in discussions on redistricting in Billings and should be reflected in the final disposition of the Senate pairings.

Again, I appreciate your hard work.

Yours sincerely,

Rep. Margie MacDonald
HD 54 (Billings)

Weiss, Rachel

From: Ed Lieser <liesered@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 9:10 AM
To: Redistricting
Cc: Ed Lieser; David Fern
Subject: Senate District Pairings

Commissioners,

As Representative-elect for House District 4, I would like to express my support for the Lamson-Smith proposal to combine House Districts 4 and 5 into Senate District 2. As I testified at the public meeting in Helena on November 15, these two House Districts are dominated by the communities of Whitefish and Columbia Falls. There are a number of shared services between the two cities, such as building inspections and building permits. The city attorneys rely on one another in their absence for support. Both communities share commercial interests and are highly dependent on tourism and considered "gateways" to Glacier National Park. Many people in Whitefish work for Plum Creek Timber Co. and many people in Columbia Falls work at the Whitefish Mountain Resort.

The Bennion-Vaughey proposal would pair Whitefish with House District 7, which is completely rural in character and bears almost no cultural or commercial relationship with Whitefish.

I respectfully submit these comments for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ed Lieser
Representative-elect

Weiss, Rachel

From: Mike Lang <nasml@itstriangle.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 9:21 AM
To: Weiss, Rachel
Subject: RE: Commissioner-proposed Senate pairings now available

Thank you for your work, but again I cannot tell where you have put the town of Malta? I would like you to keep Malta in the north districts for both the house and senate seats.

"I Like Mike"

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From: Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission [<mailto:rweiss@mt.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 9:03 AM
To: nasml@itstriangle.com
Subject: Commissioner-proposed Senate pairings now available

Proposals to pair state House districts to create state Senate districts are now available on the website of the Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission. Individual commissioners submitted the proposals last week. The full commission will consider and vote upon the proposals at the commission's Friday, November 30th meeting.

The commissioners also made proposals for how they would assign "holdover senators" to new Senate districts. Holdover senators in redistricting are senators who were elected to a four-year term in 2012. Those senators will serve the first two years of their terms in the existing state Senate districts and the final two years in districts created by the commission.

More information, including an agenda for the meeting, is available at the commission's website, www.leg.mt.gov/districting. The commission will provide time at the November 30 meeting for public comments on the proposed Senate pairings before it votes.

Comments may also be sent in writing using the contact information below. All comments become part of the commission's permanent public record and will be copied and distributed to each of the five commissioners.

By mail:
Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission
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November 26, 2012

Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission
P.O. Box 201706
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Dear Commissioners,

As the lead economic development organization for Jefferson County, I am writing to ask that you combine House District 74 (Broadwater County) and House District 75 (Jefferson County) into one Senate District, as opposed to the other options that have been suggested.

Jefferson and Broadwater counties are of similar size, have agriculture as their common basic industry and share concerns about rapid growth. Jefferson County, if combined with Butte/Silver Bow or Lewis and Clark County could lose its identity as could Broadwater if combined with Gallatin County.

Jefferson County Commissioners have endorsed the idea of combining these districts and I urge you to help make this happen.

Sincerely,

Tara Mastel
Manager

JLDC is the lead economic development organization for Jefferson County, providing information, finance solutions and educational programs for businesses and community members.

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Weiss, Rachel

From: Alan Doane <cowpokes@midrivers.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 2:12 PM
To: Redistricting
Subject: senate districts

Pairing the new proposed House District #35 Richland county, with the new proposed House District #36 Dawson/ Wibaux counties is the only natural fit.

Anyone familiar with this area and the recent activity can plainly see that.

Thank You for this consideration,
Representative Elect Alan Doane HD#38
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Weiss, Rachel

From: Patricia Simmons <psimmons100@gmail.com> on behalf of Pat Simmons
<psimmons@imt.net>
Sent: Tuesday, November 27, 2012 9:20 PM
To: Redistricting
Subject: Gallatin County Senators

I am a 34 year resident of Gallatin County and a home owner and a voter. I support the Lamson-Smith plan, especially regarding Senators for Gallatin County. Bozeman should absolutely have two Senators – we represent over 40% of the population of the County. Adopting the other plans is not a fair way to represent our community. Our Bozeman population through the Lamson-Smith plan represent people of all types (ages, sex, income levels, political leanings, education etc.) and therefore should be what distinguishes political representation, not just land parcels. Let's be fair and not partisan in setting these rules guiding us for the next 10 years. Bozeman deserves to be properly represented at the Montana Senate and have 2 Senators. We have a very broad range of issues that need to be properly represented in the Legislature, housing, infrastructure, MSU funding, growing research and scientific businesses, other business growth, a variety of ages of citizens with different needs, social issues to protect our vulnerable citizens, jobs, protecting our environment/natural resources and related tourism industry, etc. Please do the right thing and give Bozeman 2 Senators. Thank you.

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Weiss, Rachel

From: Leo Beardsley <lbeards@havremt.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 6:49 AM
To: Redistricting
Subject: Senate District

Dear Commission Members,

As you consider the Senate District boundaries for our area I urge you to adopt HD 30 and HD 33 as the new Senate District. The alternative, pairing HD 33 (north and south of Havre) with HD 34 (which stretches to the North Dakota boarder) is unworkable and makes no sense.

Thank you for your attention.

Leo Beardsley
Havre
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Weiss, Rachel

From: Darlene Sellers <sellersd@msun.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 7:30 AM
To: Redistricting
Cc: Darlene Sellers; niteed@msn.com
Subject: RE: HD 30 & 33

The forming of communities who are represented by a HD into a Senate district needs to consider the needs, neighbors, and strengths of the populations the district's legislators will serve. The citizens of HD 33 and HD 30 share a common geographic area with similar interests. As citizens, we share a common "living space" and understand the issues and concerns within our region.

The proposal to form a new Senate district with North Havre (where I own a home), South Havre (where I have long-time friends) with people who live in an area stretching to the North Dakota border (HD 34) appears to defy common interest and the ability of citizens to have representation that reflects their needs and strengths.

Please consider the fidelity of joining together HD 30 and HD 33 for the Senate district for the good of the citizens in this region.

Sincerely,
Darlene Sellers
642 North 5th Street
North Havre, MT



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November 28, 2012

Districting and Apportionment Commission
Legislative Services Division
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Dear Commissioners:

The task of redistricting congressional districts is certainly not an enviable charge and I will thank you in advance for your work on behalf of each Montanan.

As the superintendent of Sidney Public Schools, I serve a school system comprised of an elementary and high school simply because the district does not have contiguous boundaries and have experienced the challenges and complications associated with this absence of contiguous boundaries. In review of the five (5) redistricting plans presented earlier this year for public input, the Communities Plan splits Richland County into three districts and appears to do the same for the community of Sidney. Any proposed plan would ultimately complicate the existing pairings and is not palatable due to regional oil and gas development, impact and associated growth.

In review of the mandatory criteria to be used for redistricting purposes, equity/deviation in population, compact and contiguous districts, voting rights protections, and race; any plan should work to keep Richland County whole as in the existing plan or any subsequent plan. **The existing pairing of Richland, Dawson and Wibaux Counties is within the 3% population deviation as desired.** Lastly, keeping communities of interest intact is the final criteria that I encourage the commission to consider fully moving forward. Sidney and our surrounding communities are of economic interest due to area oil and gas developments, population influx and growth, occupational growth, changing culture and lifestyles, trade and industry, and for other related reasons.

As per the criteria, "all congressional districts shall be as nearly equal in population as is practicable." **Practicable is the operable word in our region at present and I would again ask the commission to consider keeping the existing pairing of Richland, Dawson and Wibaux based on the aforementioned criteria.** Splitting of the existing pairing is simply a disservice to Richland County and our sister counties.

Sincerely,

Daniel T. Farr, EdD
Superintendent of Schools

cc: Kelly Dey, Chairperson, Sidney Board of Trustees

Sidney Public Schools Serving Parents and Students

Weiss, Rachel

From: David Fern <fern@montanasky.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 8:55 PM
To: Redistricting
Cc: Ed Lieser
Subject: House District 4/Senate District 2

I was a candidate this past election for Senate district2. Having spent a good deal of time canvassing the district here are a few observations:

Whitefish proper, (including portions within city limits), is currently truncated to exclude significant portions of the community. These areas include all homes north on Wisconsin just beyond Glenwood ,EXCLUDING significant subdivisions including Reservoir Rd/Highland, Big Mountain, Houston Point and subsequent homes on Whitefish Lake through Delrey Road.

Whitefish West: Excludes contiguous population areas including Lion Mtn Subdivision and most of the north side of HWY 93, leaving Whitefish.

East Edgewood Rd&Haskill Basin area: Once again a natural relationship to Whitefish

Comments from voters: Many people were dismayed that they could not vote for a District 2 Senate candidate or House District 4 candidate. Voters believe they are alienated far from the "epicenters" of House District 6 or Senate District 3 while in fact they are residents of Whitefish and our school district as well.

Create a compact district with an emphasis on a population base where residents have an affinity towards Whitefish.

House District 3:

Consider inclusion of Columbia Heights, both sides of Highway 2.

Thank you for your consideration concerning redistricting.

Sincerely,
Dave Fern
211 Dakota Ave
Whitefish

Weiss, Rachel

From: Dick Barrett <rnewbar@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 10:11 PM
To: Redistricting
Subject: Proposed Senate District 47 Pairing

Dear Commission Members:

This comment concerns the pairing of new House Districts 83 and 97 into new Senate District 47, as proposed by Commissioners Bennion and Vaughey. I was elected in current Senate District 47 this year and hence would presumably represent new Senate District 47 as a holdover senator in 2014. I note that there is absolutely no overlap between the new and current SD 47s. This means in effect that with the exception of a handful of individuals who presumably will move from current to new SD 47 in the next two years, *none* of the voters who I would be representing in 2014 under the Bennion/Vaughey plan would have ever had the opportunity to vote for or against me. And conversely, I would not be representing any of the voters who voted for me and/or otherwise supported my campaign on the expectation I would represent them. Voters in a mainly rural district will be represented by a senator (me) elected by voters in a mainly urban district with political values and philosophies largely unlike their own. I would no longer live in or even close to my district, which I would have only passing familiarity with.

I realize that it is inevitable that the outlines of districts must change to some degree in the reapportionment process and that with holdover senators there will therefor inevitably be some of the shifting of constituencies that I have described above. But the extent of shifting in this particular case seems to me to do a grave disservice to a substantial number of voters, and I urge you to reject the pairing for SD 47 proposed by Commissioners Bennion and Vaughey.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Dick Barrett

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Weiss, Rachel

From: jprice <jl_price@bresnan.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 10:24 PM
To: Redistricting
Subject: Cascade County Senate pairing

November 28, 2012

Chairman Regnier and Districting Committee,

You will note that I have signed the letter that was composed by Senator Anders Blewett and sent to you in response to the Bennion/ Vaughey Districting Proposal. Having signed that letter I am certain that you realize that I agree completely with the Senators statements.

I am writing to simply reinforce those statements. My current district 21 very closely mirrors the proposed district 23 in the Lamson/Smith proposal, and is positioned adjacent to their proposed district 22. It is very clear that as two south side urban districts they need to be paired as a Senate seat. The constituents have common interests and concerns and the Senator representing them needs to be abreast of urban issues.

Once again, I hope you will take my opinion under consideration when making your decision for the Cascade County Districts.

Thank you for the opportunity,

Sincerely,

Representative Jean price

Chairman Regnier and Districting Commission,

Thank you all so much for all the hard work you have put in working toward a fair compromise for the state redistricting.

I would like to again give my recommendations for the Senate pairings in the Great Falls area. I testified in Helena on Nov. 15th in favor of the Lamson-Smith proposal. I strongly recommend pairing proposed District 24 & 25 for Senate District 12. I currently represent HD 23, which is the lower north side of Great Falls and have for the last 4 years. This area is the original town site and both districts share common interest both social and economical.

I would also like to see the Southside House Districts 22 & 23 paired together for Senate District 11, as well as HD 27 & 28 paired for Senate District 13. All of these districts are urban areas and should remain together.

With regards to the Great Falls rural areas House Districts 20 & 21 would fit best for Senate District 10. The area consists of Sand Coulee, Stockett, Cascade, Ulm, Fort Shaw, Sun River, Simms and Vaughn. These are all rural area and share common interests and concerns.

I find it troubling the recommendations on the Bennion and Vaughey proposal map to take House District 23, which is an urban area right in the middle of Great Falls, jump it over House District 22 (another urban area) and pair it up with rural House District 20 to form Senate District 11. The map is also recommending House District 22, which is urban, be combined with rural House District 21, which is completely across the Missouri River from one another, and pair them to form Senate District 10.

I would appreciate your close attention to these last pairings.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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Weiss, Rachel

From: Robert L Hawks <senator.robert.hawks@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 29, 2012 9:55 AM
To: Redistricting
Subject: Bozeman Redistricting Testimony

Re: Bozeman Redistricting Testimony

Commissioners:

Please consider the following points in your decision-making that are best represented by the Lamson-Smith plan:

- + Bozeman represents over 40% of the population base of Gallatin Co. and should have two Senate districts configured to represent area interests.
- + Belgrade deserves to be incorporated into an interest district logical to the drawing area immediate to its boundaries.
- + Consideration of the growth area potential around current urban areas should be given consideration.
- + The rural-suburban territory between Bozeman and Livingstone is an area of common interest given commerce, recreation, land-use, and MSU.
- + More remote areas of Gallatin Co. with small towns, agriculture, recreation, and hunting as their base of interest need to be represented.
- + County lines in this area do not well represent separate state level areas of interest, but rather representation in county government interests.
- + The Bennion-Vaughey plan exchanges common interest representation for partisan, random based interest criteria.

Sincerely,

Bob Hawks
Senate District 33

Weiss, Rachel

From: Ted & Norma Kelly <tsnkelly@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 29, 2012 11:15 AM
To: Redistricting

I think the way the districts are set up now is working OK. Take the politics out of it. We in Malta don't want to be in Windy Boy's district. The last time the redistricting was done the Indians got most of the benefits. Now you are wanting to give them even more. Be fair to us folks in Malta and Phillips county.
Thank you,

Ted Kelly
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Weiss, Rachel

From: Mike Phillips <mikephillips@montana.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 29, 2012 11:47 AM
To: Redistricting
Subject: Redistricting

To Whom It Will Concern,

Please note my support of the Lamson-Smith plan for distributing senate seats in Gallatin County. As the state representative for House District 66 from 2006-2012 and the newly elected senator for Senate District 33, I know from first-hand experience that the Lamson-Smith plan does a much better job of ensuring the integrity of our representative form of government than the Bennion-Vaughey plan which seems to favor partisan desires rather than community integrity and good governance.

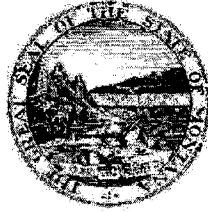
The Lamson-Smith plan is the only proposal that properly represents the city of Bozeman. Given that the population in Bozeman constitutes ~ 40% of the county's population, and more importantly is the economic and education engines for the county (and a very important component of the State's economic and education engines) distributing two senate seats for Bozeman is strongly indicated. The Lamson-Smith plan provides this degree of representation. In contrast, the Bennion-Vaughey plan distributes only one senate seat to Bozeman while providing three such seats to the rural areas of the county. This would create gross misrepresentation and disregard of important interests and issues in the legislature.

There are other advantages to the Lamson-Smith plan compared to the Bennion-Vaughey but the overarching point is simple: the former will promote proper senate representation for Gallatin County at the state legislature and in turn will promote continued good governance. For this reason I strongly recommend adoption of the Lamson-Smith plan. Thank you for considering my recommendation.

Sincerely,

Mike Phillips
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Montana State Senate



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November 29, 2012

Chairman Regnier and Districting Commission:

Currently there are nine house districts in Cascade County, leaving one seat to be paired outside of the county. With Cascade County losing a house seat in this round of redistricting, it has actually become easier to pair the eight entirely Cascade County house seats to create four senate seats. Beyond just the even number of house seats, the pairings in Great Falls are so blatantly obvious that we were genuinely surprised when we looked at the Bennion/Vaughey proposal for our area and thought it must be a mistake. Apparently, we were naïve to think that anyone who has ever been to Great Falls would understand that two Southside districts have more in common with one another than they do with rural Cascade County or with Fox Farm. In contrast, the two house districts with a significant rural component have more in common with one another than they do with the urban residents of Southside Great Falls.

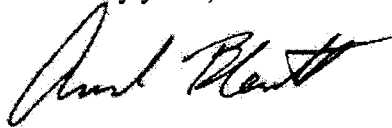
There is only one logical way to pair the house seats in our county. HD 20 is a primarily rural district that includes small communities like Belt, Stockett and Simms, as well as the rest of the Sun River Valley. HD 21, while covering the Fox Farm area, also encompasses the small towns of Cascade and Ulm. With no other Cascade County district having a rural component, HD 20 and HD 21 clearly share a stronger community of interest with one another than they do with an entirely urban Great Falls district. Likewise, HD 22 and HD 23 are both entirely urban districts covering most of Great Falls' South and East Sides and these districts should be paired to form a Senate district. With an even number of house seats in the county, there is no reason, other than partisan advantage, to pair these two districts with rural seats.

As legislators representing Great Falls, we find the splitting of the Southside to pair each district with a more rural seat baffling. As we look at the Bennion/Vaughey proposal for the rest of the state, we see that this haphazard pairing was not limited to the Great Falls area. Instead, the problem is just as conspicuous in Bozeman and Billings. There is no reasonable explanation for these senate pairings. We hope that any senate pairings adopted by this Commission will be decided based on communities of interest and not a random selection of two contiguous house seats.

Chairman Regnier and Districting Commission
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Finally, we believe the commission has done a good job of drawing logical house districts in Cascade County which maintain strong communities of interest and we fully support the pairing of HD 27 and HD 28 and the pairing of HD 24 and HD 25 to form Senate districts.
Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

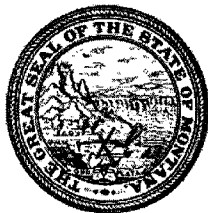
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anders Blewett". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "A" and a long, sweeping underline.

Sen. Anders Blewett, SD 11
Sen. Mitch Tropila, SD 12
Rep. Carlie Boland, HD 23
Rep. Robert "Bob" Mehlhoff, HD 26
Rep. Jean Price, HD 21
Rep. Elect Casey Schreiner, HD 22
Rep. Elect Tom Jacobsen, HD 25

Rep. Robert "Bob" Mehlhoff

House District 26

Westside of Great Falls, Sun Prairie, and Vaughn area



Chairman Regnier and Redistricting Commission members,

I would like to make some comments about the redistricting in the areas that directly affects voters I represent. I concur with the Districting Commission's House District decision for the proposed District 28 and all proposed districts in the Great Falls area.

I would like to keep House District 27 with House District 28 for a Senate District. They are a community of interest that is working well for the residents from these two districts now. Riverview, Valley View, the Historic Westside, Sun Prairie, and the proposed north side addition are truly a community of similar residents that have common interests. There would be no reason to change the union between the present House District 25 and House District 26 that will now change to House District 27 and House District 28.

Sincerely,

Representative Robert Mehlhoff

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Weiss, Rachel

From: Mitch Tropila <tropila@mt.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 29, 2012 1:34 PM
To: Redistricting
Subject: Senate Pairing comments from Sen. Mitch Tropila SD 12

Dear Chairman Regnier and Districting Commissioners:

First of all, as you near the end of the redistricting process let me say, "Thank you for a job well done."

Secondly, earlier this week I signed a letter written by Sen. Anders Blewett, so this is one final e-mail containing a few last thoughts.

When I spoke at the redistricting meeting in Great Falls last April, I spoke in favor of the "Communities Plan." I believed strongly in that plan and it's goal: Keeping communities of interest together.

With that goal in mind, I believe the pairing of HD 22 and HD 23 makes sense. It is referred to in Great Falls as the Southside. This would give Great Falls (if adopted) senate pairings of the Northside, Southside and Riverview / Westside. These common sense pairings contain neighborhoods, churches, schools, councils, and park boards of similarly interested citizens.

Finally, as I was thinking back to the redistricting meeting in Great Falls, I remembered the GF Area Chamber of Commerce had their own plan. Let us remember what they were concerned about. The Chamber was concerned with keeping neighborhoods, churches, schools, councils and park boards together!

The Lamson / Smith Senate pairing plan does JUST THAT.

I would appreciate your support of the Lamson / Smith plan.

Thanks for listening one last time.

Sincerely,

Mitch Tropila
SD 12

TO THE MONTANA DISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT COMMISSION
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Dear Commissioners,

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Both Counties are similar in size, the basic industry is agriculture, and both share concerns about rapid growth. Broadwater County could lose its identity if combined with a District from Gallatin County, as could Jefferson County if combined with Butte/Silver Bow or Lewis and Clark Counties.

County Commissioners from both Broadwater and Jefferson Counties have endorsed the idea of combining these two House Districts into one Senate District. Please join them in making this happen.

Thank you for your consideration.

Name Tom McHugh

Address P.O. Box 694 Whitehall 201 W. Legion Ave. MT

*This is not just a Republican vs Democrat issue. It is
A Butte vs Whitehall issue. We are in direct competition
economically with Butte, and combining Whitehall with
the Butte/Silverbow district will leave us without true
representation & will hurt us economically!*

Owner

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Name

Lyda W. Dunning

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Thank you for your consideration.

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