



NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
CITY OF HARLOWTON, MONTANA
PHASE 4 WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

August 30, 2019

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality and the Montana Department of Commerce have reviewed the above named project. The water main replacement project will install approximately 6,200 feet of 6-inch to 12-inch PVC and ductile iron water distribution pipe and all associated valves, fittings, fire hydrants, service lines, service connections, and asphalt replacement.

The proposed water main replacement work will occur primarily at the following locations:

- Central Avenue S - between Highway 12 and 2nd Street S
- Central Avenue N - between 4th Street N and 5th Street N
- 5th Street NW – From Central Avenue to a point 500 feet to the west
- C Avenue NW - between Highway 12 and the south end of C Avenue NW
- D Avenue NW - between Highway 12 and the south end of D Avenue NW
- E Avenue NW - between Highway 12 and the south end of E Avenue NW
- F Avenue NW - between Highway 12 and the south end of F Avenue NW
- G Avenue NW - between Highway 12 and the south end of G Avenue NW

The project construction specifications note the potential to encounter petroleum contaminated soil or water within the project site and include sections of ductile iron pipe with nitrile gaskets and language on the procedures to follow if petroleum contaminated materials are encountered. 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, 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

City of Harlowton
17 South Central Avenue
Harlowton, MT 59036

Sincerely,

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