



NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
WILSALL WATER DISTRICT, MONTANA
WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

March 10, 2017

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality has reviewed the above named project. The project consists of replacing 142 water service meters, a new pump house flow meter and new telemetry control system. The project will also rehabilitate the existing steel water storage tank with a new exterior coating, cathodic protection, safety improvements and tank site fencing.

The proposed service meter replacement work will occur throughout the community. The tank rehabilitation work will occur at the existing tank site located west of town off Old Flathead Creek Road and the new flow meter work will occur at the existing pump house east of town off Darling Street North (see Figure 1).

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

Wilsall Water District
John Bay, President
Shields Valley Senior Citizens Center
208 Elliot, Wilsall, MT 59086

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Todd Teegarden". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

Todd Teegarden, Bureau Chief
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Figure 1. Wilsall Water System Improvements Project Location Map

