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RE: DEQ SOLID WASTE PROGRAM (SWP) COVID-19 INTERIM WORKPLAN

In response to the evolving COVID-19 public health situation, DEQ has decided to increase remote working and social distancing. Our offices are closed to the public until further notice. We are taking this action in an effort to protect the health and well-being of our employees and communities.

Though we have made modifications to our business practices, DEQ remains operational and ready to assist you. We are committed to continuing to meet our regulatory obligations, including working with you to help maintain compliance, as well as continuing to protect public health and the environment.

We are working to make resources available on the DEQ website regarding any changes to our programs or services. Information will be updated regularly and is available at deq.mt.gov/updates.

**SWP staff will still be available via phone and email. No solid waste inspections will be conducted until further notice. If possible, submit any correspondence electronically to ensure we receive it promptly.**

Feel free to contact us with any additional questions. Thank you for your patience as we adjust to this transition.

Sincerely,

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