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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
CITY OF WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, MONTANA
2012 WATER SYTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

February 23, 2012

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality has performed a second environmental review of the above named project. The initial review was conducted in December 2011 and a public notice of categorical exclusion was published January 19th, 2012. The initial project consists of replacing the existing 450,000 gallon concrete water storage tank, constructing a new disinfection building, upgrading the existing disinfection equipment and replacing approximately 900 feet of 10-inch PVC water main along Main Street. The proposed project has been expanded to include the replacement of approximately 900 feet of water transmission main.

The proposed transmission main improvements will replace approximately 900 feet of 12-inch steel pipe with 10-inch PVC pipe between the existing water filtration building and the proposed water storage tank. This work will occur approximately 2 miles east of the city along Castle Mountain Estates Road (see attached map).

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 White Sulphur Springs
105 West Hampton
White Sulphur Springs, MT 59036

Sincerely,

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