

North Central Montana Regional Water Authority
FULL AUTHORITY MEETING
Marias River Electric (910 Roosevelt Hwy – Shelby, MT)
Conference Call Number: 1-712-775-7035 Participation Code 288230#
March 26, 2019 – 1:00 p.m.

- 1) Approval of Agenda
- 2) Approval of December 18, 2018 Full Authority Meeting Minutes
February 26, 2019 Executive Committee Conference Call Meeting Minutes
- 3) Public Comment
- 4) Financials & Accounting: Approval of financials and payment of invoices
- 5) Lobbyist Updates and Current Legislation
- 6) Engineering Team Updates
 - a. Shelby/Sweet Grass
 - i. Carstensen Change Order #1 – Connection to Oilmont
 - b. Shelby Wellfield Improvements
 - c. Loma, Big Sandy & Tiber
 - d. Havre
 - e. Core Team Coordination
 - i. WTP Design Coordination
 - ii. Pond Project Update
 - f. Newsletter
- 7) Kevin Request to Withdraw
- 8) OM&R Committee Update
- 9) Other
 - a. Member Entity Reports
 - b. BOR, DNRC DEQ and EPA Reports
 - c. Proposed Next Meeting:
 - Executive Committee Meeting**
Tuesday April 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. - AE2S Office – Great Falls
 - Full Authority Meeting**
Tuesday June 25, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. – AE2S Office – Havre
 - OMR Committee Meeting**
Tuesday May 28, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. – AE2S Office – Great Falls
 - Coordinating Committee Meeting**
Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. – AE2S Office – Great Falls
- 10) Adjournment

**NORTH CENTRAL MONTANA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY
ANNUAL FULL AUTHORITY MEETING**

Tuesday, December 18, 2018

Great Falls, MT

Present:

Larry Bonderud	City of Shelby – Authority Board Chair
Cheryl Curry	City of Conrad – Authority Treasurer
Shaud Schwarzbach	Town of Big Sandy – Authority Vice President
Mike Wallewein	Oilmont County Water District
Carl Flesch	Tiber County Water District
Gary McDermott	City of Shelby
Jody Hellegaard	Authority – General Manager
Jim Suta	City of Cut Bank
Tim Uribe	Kadmas, Lee and Jackson (KL&J)
James Slayton	KL&J
Nate Weisenburger	Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc. (AE2S)
Greg Kruzich	Bureau of Reclamation (BOR)
Jade Goroski	City of Shelby
Loren Skartved	City of Shelby
Bill Hunt	City of Shelby
Deb Clark	City of Shelby
Sarah Robbin	RATES (Chester)
Anna Miller	DNRC
Tory Scribner	Congressman Gianforte’s Office
Rick Duncan	DNRC

On the Phone:

Robert Smith	City of Cut Bank
Lorette Carter	City of Shelby
Bob Ganter	Yellowstone Strategies
Wendy Judisch	City of Conrad
Drew Lesofski	Yellowstone Strategies

Larry Bonderud called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and roll call was conducted with a sign-in sheet.

Agenda: Update on Shelby Wellfield was added to agenda.

Minutes: Cheryl Curry made a motion to approve the September 25, 2018 Full Authority Board meeting minutes. Jim Suta seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. Jim Suta made a motion to approve the November 27, 2018 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Cheryl Curry seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Financials: The monthly financial report was distributed to the Authority in the meeting packets. Jim Suta made a motion to approve the monthly financial report and claims presented for payment. Shaud Schwarzbach seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Lobbyist Efforts and Current Legislation: Bob Ganter reported they have been working with the Core team on plans for a trip to D.C. in February and thank you letters to the congressional delegation on 2019 funding. Drew Lesofski reported the D.C. trip will help keep the project in front of things. He also stated although Secretary Zinke is leaving all the BOR staff they work with are remaining. Drew will personally deliver Daines and Gianforte's letters and George Waters will deliver Tester's.

Greg Kruzich said any government shut down will have a limited impact on BOR as they were funded with the September legislation.

Shaud Schwarzbach made a motion to approve Steve Wade's firm BKB&H as our lobbyist for the 2019 state session. Larry Bonderud noted Steve's contract is for \$4,250 per month which is an inflationary increase over the 2017 contract of \$4,000 per month. Jim Suta Seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Engineering Team Updates:

Shelby to Conrad: Tim Uribe reported the warranty period was complete.

Shelby North: James Slayton reviewed a map showing the progress of Carstensen Construction and pictures of the installation process. They have only installed pipe (18.1 miles to date) but not the bores or all of the appurtenances. The pipeline manufacturer was on site and the installation certification was completed. Backfill compaction testing was also done. Tim asked the contractor to perform a job walk through prior to the winter shut down planned for this week. They did have an issue with a land owner's son and easement status. The easement paper work is complete, but the land owner has not provided the W-9 form needed prior to payment. GoPro Construction has purchased and stored inventory in anticipation of spring start-up.

Core Pipeline Coordination: Tim reported the engineering team has been coordinating with the Tribe on the WTP redesign. The design team will be meeting via webinar and KLJ/AE2S will be having weekly design team meetings. The 30% Review is scheduled for February, the 60% Review is scheduled for April and the 90% Review is scheduled for June. Greg Kruzich noted this is an aggressive schedule. It is anticipated that since a number of issues were addressed with government agencies on the 35M gallon per day WTP that the redesign could progress more quickly. One unknown is DEQ review as Marc Golz has not yet been replaced. Anna Miller reported Mark Smith, DEQ, is aware of the need to get someone appointed to the project. Jody asked if the General Services contract had enough hours for the redesign coordination. Tim responded the agreement had anticipated the need for coordination with the Core team and thought the hours should be sufficient.

Upcoming Segments: Tim reported the upcoming segments for the start-up of the WTP are Loma, Big Sandy and Tiber. Jody referenced the letters in the meeting announcement regarding the allocation of \$9.4M Rural Water money to the WTP from the Authority and Steve Davies letter that discusses the plan for WTP redesign, completion of the ponds, easement work, and core pipe line planning but no additional funding will be budgeted for the core pipeline until the amount needed for Phase 1 WTP is determined. The combination of Tiber, Loma, Big Sandy and the Box Elder area has been identified for startup as they would have the minimum capacity needed for operation of the WTP. Jody reported

there is an estimated \$4M available in the budget and that can cover the predesign, investigation/environmental and land services for all 3 non-core segments.

Tiber Area O&M Issues: Brad Pourroy and Ron Prewitt reviewed in detail the issues and repair process on the 10-inch line in the Tiber area this past month. Larry and Jody thanked Brad and Ron for their efforts and coming to the meeting to update the board.

Update on Acquisition/Transfer of Shelby's 16-Inch line: Jody reported the purchase agreement was complete and the \$1.2M check to Shelby was in this month's checks. The O&M agreement for the 16-inch line has Shelby responsible for Shelby taps and repair costs will be shared based on actual usage reviewed annually in May. Larry asked about the location of taps related to the cost allocation. It was noted that the Authority's meter for water going north was at the pump house and if any Shelby taps were located north of that point that would need to be reflected in the annual evaluation. Jim Suta made a motion to approve the O&M Agreement for the 16-Inch pipeline. Cheryl Curry seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Updated O&M Agreement Shelby to Cut Bank Segment-Shelby Portion: Jody reported this is an update to the existing agreement to include the pipeline from the Shelby wellfield to the City and the O&M fee related to the Ethridge tap. \$300 is collected annually for the O&M from Ethridge that is submitted to the City. Jim Suta made a motion to approve the Updated O&M Agreement Shelby to Cut Bank Segment-Shelby Portion. Shaud Schwarzbach seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

City of Shelby Wellfield Improvements: Larry reported that TSEP project funding is currently in the bonding bill in hopes of getting more support for the bonding bill. We need to help DNRC and the City of Shelby move the TSEP projects out of the bonding bill as that bill has failed in the past and it still has the same unpopular projects. The recently approved government affairs contract can help with this. Gary McDermott explained there is a backup plan in place to use the \$750,000 DNRC grant for improvements that will provide the water capacity needed to service Shelby North.

Jody reported DNRC brought a grant agreement to the meeting for \$150,000 of preliminary engineering needed for the wellfield improvements. Shaud Schwarzbach made a motion to accept the DNRC grant agreement. Jim Suta seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. Rick Duncan requested monthly reporting to monitor progress.

Jody explained the Well Field Improvements Funding Agreement Shelby provided in the meeting packet was the mechanism to transfer the DNRC grant funds from the Authority to Shelby. Cheryl Curry made a motion to approve the Funding Agreement with the understanding the scope language and dates maybe be updated, if needed, to be consistent with the DNRC grant agreement. Carl Flesch seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Kevin Request for Removal: Larry reported a letter went to Kevin's attorney on 12/13/18. A copy of the letter was provided in the meeting packet. Larry also noted he had received a copy of Kevin's meeting minutes where they recently passed a water shortage policy that is in conflict with the water rights agreement. Larry has heard the owner of the water rights is unhappy and may throw agreement away.

Engineering RFP: Larry stated a few members were concerned we may be in violation of state statute regarding engineering services but Steve Wade's office reported there was not a statutory requirement to go out for RFP every 5 years. The meeting packets included the RFP for engineers that was

distributed in the fall of 2005 with the KLJ contract being awarded in the January 2006. Larry asked the group's preference as they could do nothing or go out for RFP. After discussion in which no one stated a desire for new engineering RFP no action was required on this agenda item.

OM&R Committee Update:

Jody reported the budgets and rates developed for the initial phase 1 WTP will need to be updated for the new plan and that work is expected to take start this March. Jim Suta, Jody Hellegaard, Jeff Jensen, Doug Kaercher and Dave Peterson served on that work group. Jim and Jody will stay on the work group and Jody will check with Jeff, Dave and Doug to see if they will continue to assist.

Others:

DNRC – Anna discussed the funding bills in the upcoming session and timing for committee testimony. DNRC may need Authority assistance in addressing any Legislator's questions/concerns regarding recent projects. She also reported DEQ is working to replace Mark Golz. Rick stated as the Wellfield grant is a bit outside the envelope of previous projects he may have questions as the project progresses.

BOR – Nothing additional to report.

DEQ & EPA – no one at meeting to report.

Discussed board meeting locations and agreed to Shelby in March, Havre in June, Shelby for evening annual meeting in September and Great Falls in December.

Adjournment: Jim Suta made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cheryl Curry seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**NORTH CENTRAL MONTANA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

February 26, 2019 Conference Call

Present Via Phone:

Larry Bonderud	Havre North – Authority Board Chair
Shaud Schwarzbach	Town of Big Sandy – Authority Vice-Chair
Cheryl Curry	City of Conrad – Authority Treasurer
Jim Suta	City of Cut Bank – Authority At-Large
Jody Hellegaard	Authority – General Manager
James Slayton	Kadrmass, Lee and Jackson (KL&J)
Tim Uribe	KL&J
Jennifer Patrick	Authority
Jade Goroski	City of Shelby
Gary McDermott	City of Shelby
Bill Hunt	City of Shelby
Lorette Carter	City of Shelby
Mike Wallewein	Oilmont/Nine Mile Water District
Lisa Kearns	Nine Mile Water District
Drew Lesofski	Yellowstone Strategies
Bob Ganter	Yellowstone Strategies
Steve Bahnmilller	Loma CWD

Larry Bonderud called the meeting to order, and a roll call was conducted.

Agenda: No additions

Meeting Minutes: Jim Suta made a motion to approve the January 22, 2019 Executive Committee Conference call meeting minutes. Cheryl Curry seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Financials: The monthly financial report was distributed to the Authority in the meeting packets. Jim Suta made a motion to approve the monthly financial report and claims presented for payment. Shaud Schwarzbach seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Lobbyist Report:

Bob Ganter said last month they were tasked with researching Pick Sloan Power availability and whether there will be a trip back to Washington, DC. Bob said they have worked with Jody on pumping facilities and locations. Met with Western Area Power Association (WAPA) and Bureau of Reclamation on going forward. We are eligible and an analysis needs to be done. The City of Shelby and City of Conrad were not built with BOR funding and are excluded from the conversations. Jody

said she has found the minutes from the 2004 meeting with the then Executive committee, federal folks, utility companies and rates were not cheaper at that time. Larry asked what documents we had that said we are eligible for Pick Sloan. Drew said the legislation authorizing the project contains the language.

Drew Lesofski said they have confirmed with the Tribe they are coming back March 25th which is a week and a half after the Presidents budget has come out. Larry said we should follow the lobbyists suggestions on whether we need to fly out and depending on what meetings they have setup. Drew said he will keep in touch and let the group know if it is necessary. He will work with Chris Lambert at the George Waters Group.

Engineering Team Updates:

Shelby to Cut Bank: James reported we received a complaint from a landowner who has rocks in his field. An invoice for discs provided by the land owner was \$4,854.40. This ground was enrolled in the CRP payment program when we obtained the easement. Larry asked if the landowner was the same person that received the crop damage and easement payments. James said no, a different person received the payments. The request is coming from the person leasing the lands. The recommendation was to not pay for the damages and as a maintenance issue we would be willing to remove the rocks. James said some rocks could still be moved.

Shelby to Sweet Grass: This current project is in winter shutdown. Currently working with Cartensen on pricing for the Oilmont connection. One potential change is the Shelby connection changing from an 8" to 3" valve has been discussed. With Shelby's rate structure, different meters have different rates and in the interim, until Sunburst, Kevin and Sweet Grass come online, the 3" meter would be adequate. As part of a future contract you could include the 8" meter in that construction contract. As far as costs there might be some savings but also custom fittings from 8" to 3". Jody noted BOR would likely only cover the cost of placing the initial meter and the 8" meter was put in place as needed at full build out. Larry stated we should leave the 8" meter in the plans and change out to a 3" meter with non-federal funding.

With the recent rock issue, the engineering team has started documenting rocks in the field within the easements. Pictures were shown of winter shutdown and berms that were built for erosion control. Quantities were also updated up to winter shut down in the slides.

E4-E5 – Loma Big Sandy: Preliminary routes have been identified but are still very early and once areas are dry will proceed with windshield survey and move on to regular survey.

Jody said she would like Executive Committee to update the easement values in this area for update on appropriate crop and land values in this county. She will present he thoughts to the Executive Committee. Jody will also attend Loma's Annual Meeting and update the group on moving forward.

E6-B Core to Havre: Potential routes were shown one on reservation and off reservation to go to Havre. The green route was 6.5 miles longer than the route in red which is the most direct on reservation route. That would be around \$2 million additional so the Engineering Team would like to work with Tribal partners on the red route. The task order has been presented in the packets.

Shelby Wellfield: A topo for the wellfield has been completed and created a basemap, site assessment of existing wells have been completed, designs to existing wells and new wells have been in progress. Bolland Drilling is under contract and HydroSolutions to oversee this work. Project will still bid June 2019.

Core Team Update: A 30% deliverable was submitted in February and a meeting was scheduled February 12 in Great Falls to go over deliverables. 60% design is expected in April and 90% is still scheduled for June 2019 for the Water Treatment Plant. Some of the highlights from the non-core team were the parking lot layout, additional surfacing that would not be needed, some line locations moved and small schematic suggestions. Tim stepped through some suggestions they made to the Core team and the Core has taken these suggestions back to look at the costs.

Also, conversations of design, build and bid have been taking place on when should a contractor be involved in the project. Jody said just as a follow up, BOR was supposed to meeting with CCCCs board and that has not happened yet. Larry discussed the Task Order presented to investigate the WTP to Havre line. Jody said it has not been through cost price yet, but we do have sufficient funding available without using 2020 funds. Jim Suta made a motion to approve the task order as presented on the core to Havre line designs. Cheryl Curry seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Master Plan: When we present in DC, Jody asked how are we sequencing this? Loma, Tiber, Big Sandy and add Havre. Larry said that ideally would be the ask because it takes a lot of issues out of the conversations adding Havre in.

Kevin/Chester Removal: Larry updated the group on this request and that we have been sending information to their attorneys. Kevin has asked the Authority to pay for Bond Council to determine an evaluation which was recommended. In a letter a year ago Steve Wade sent to Kevin recommending they hire Bond Council. Larry recommends we get the estimates on costs for Bond Council to Kevin and they retain bond council for the opinion.

BOR, DNRC, DEQ, EPA: Rick Duncan said the legislature is right at transmittal date and hoping various items related to NC water will transition over to the House. Rick said if something comes up, he will get in touch with us or Steve Wade. He also updated that he was working through what DNRC will pay on the Shelby Wellfield. Larry said everything they are working on is regarding capacity and that will come out as discussions continue.

Adjournment: Jim made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cheryl seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Rocky Boy's / North Central Montana Regional Water System

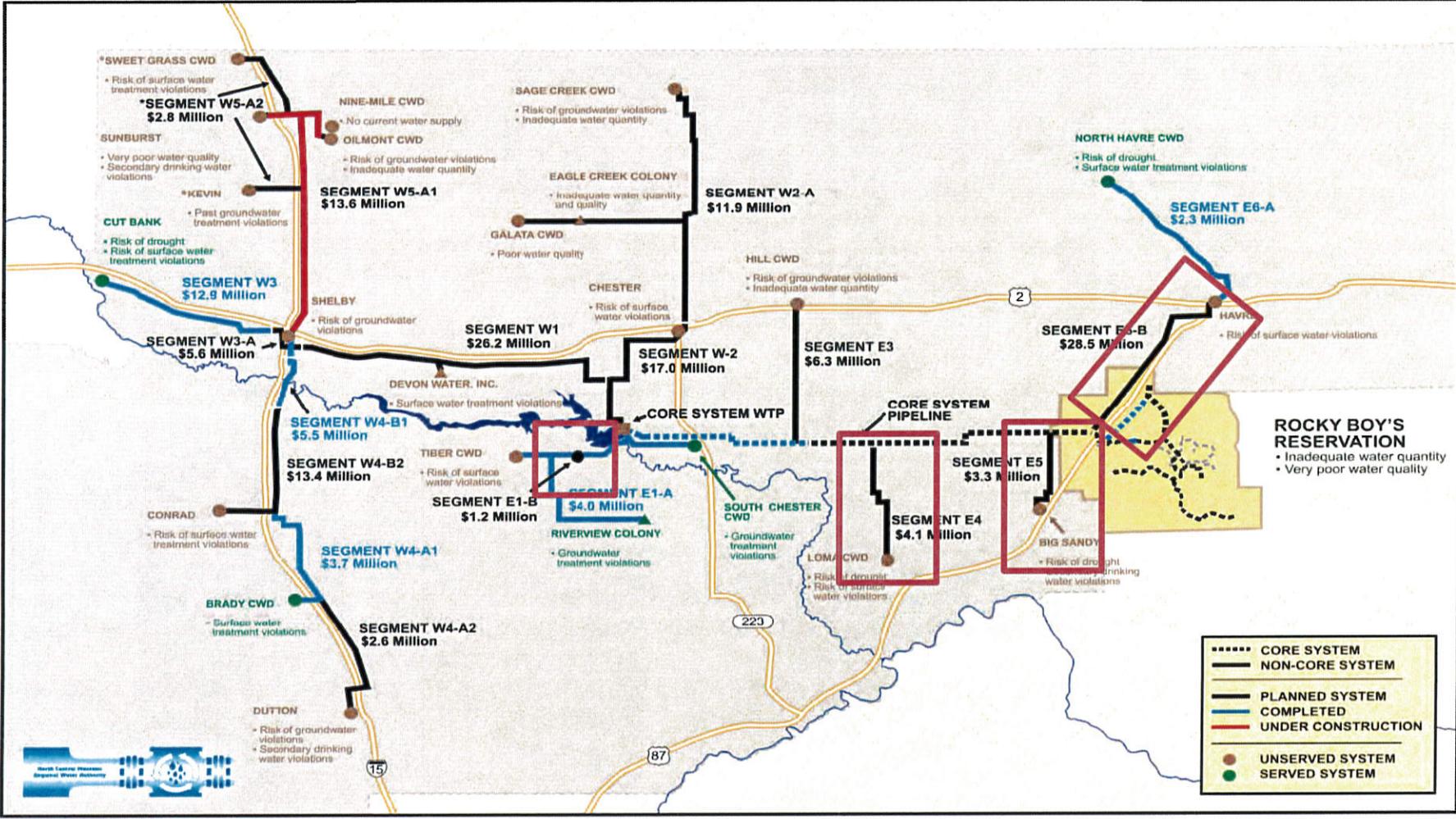
Non-Core System Progress Update

Full Authority Quarterly Meeting

March 26, 2019



Segment Map



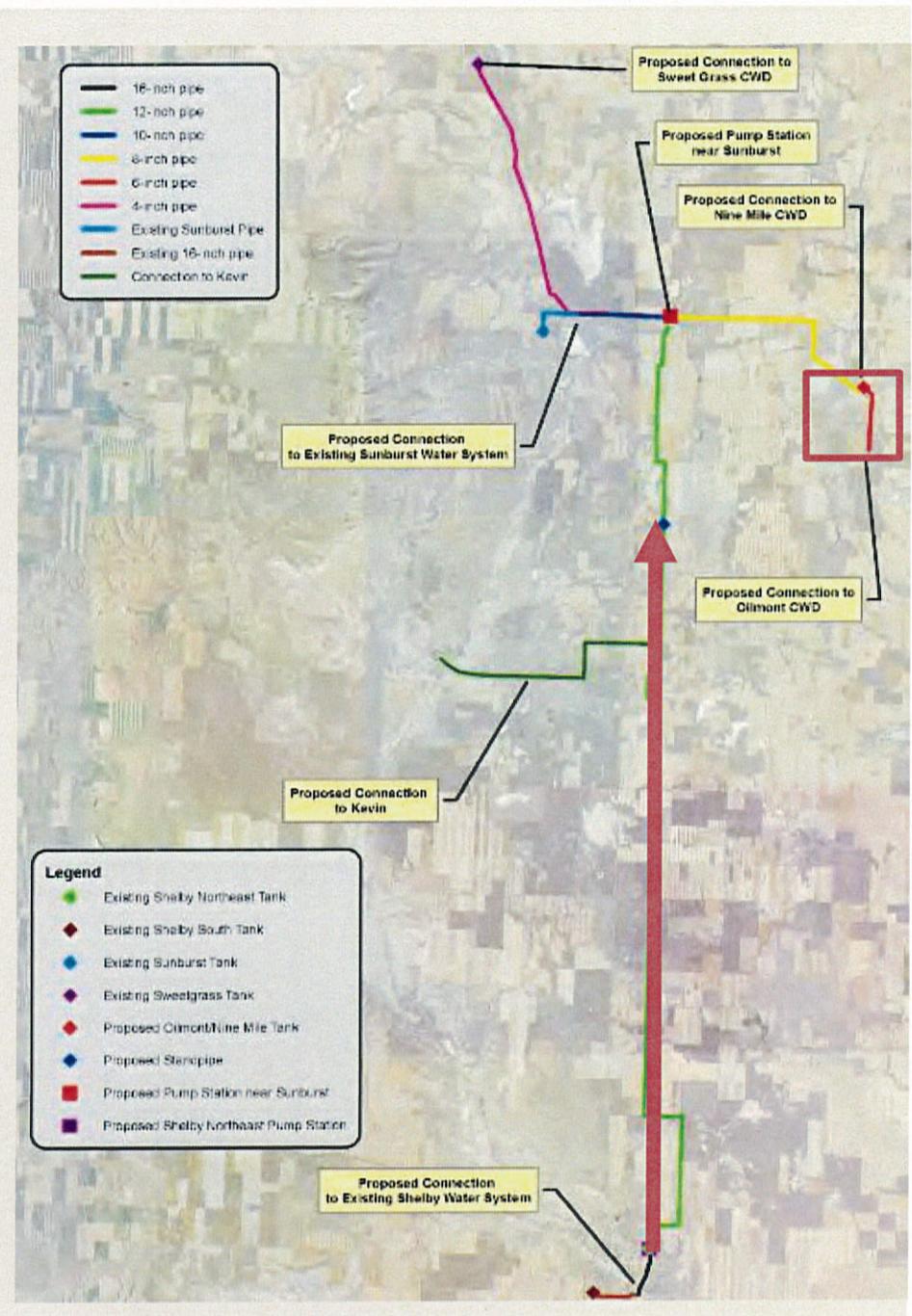
Segment Updates

- Segment W5-A1: Shelby to Sweet Grass
 - Project Status
 - Oilmont Connection
 - Construction Progress Updates
- Segments E1-B, E4, E5, E6-B: Tiber, Loma, Big Sandy, Havre
 - Preliminary Route(s)
- Shelby Well Field Improvements
 - Project Updates
- Core Team Coordination
 - Water Treatment Plant

Shelby to Sweet Grass

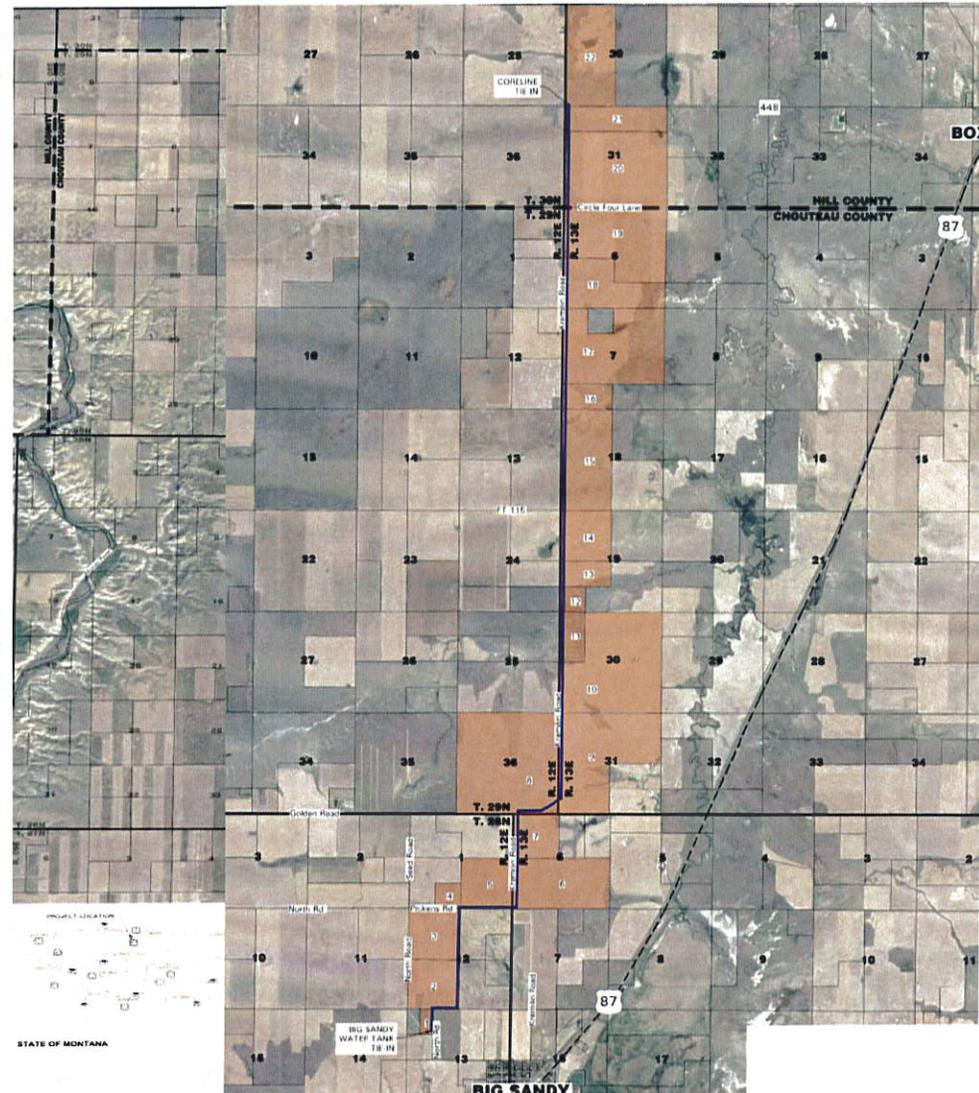
• Project Status

- Carstensen Contracting:
Winter shutdown: Ongoing
- Oilmont Connection; Project plans sent to Carstensen requesting construction costs
 - Pricing received back from Carstensen for Oilmont connection.
 - KLJ/AE2S reviewed and made comparisons.
 - Recommendation is to proceed with Carstensen.
- Go Pro Construction & Carstensen will begin/resume work in Spring '19.



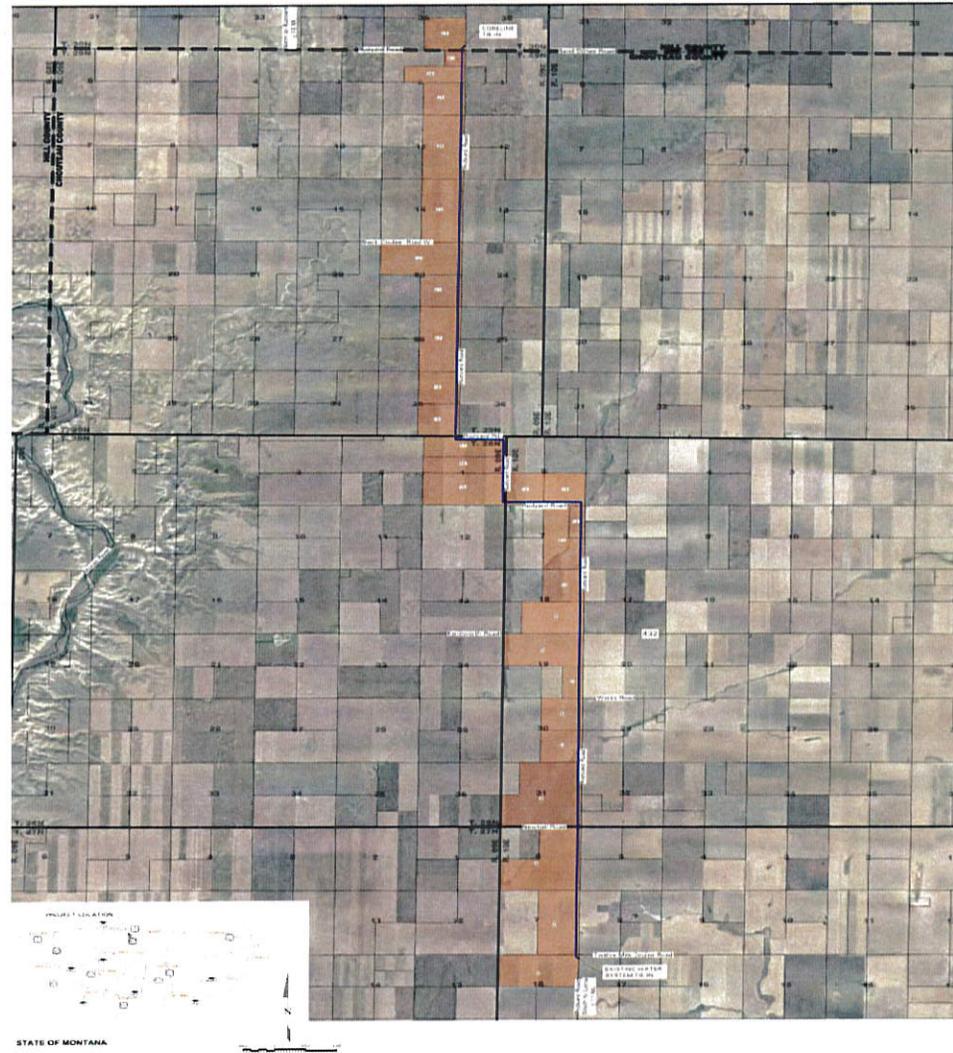
Segment E5

- Big Sandy – Preliminary Route
- Preliminary Survey Expected to Start in April
- Preliminary Design Expected to Start mid-May
- Environmental Surveys in Summer '19



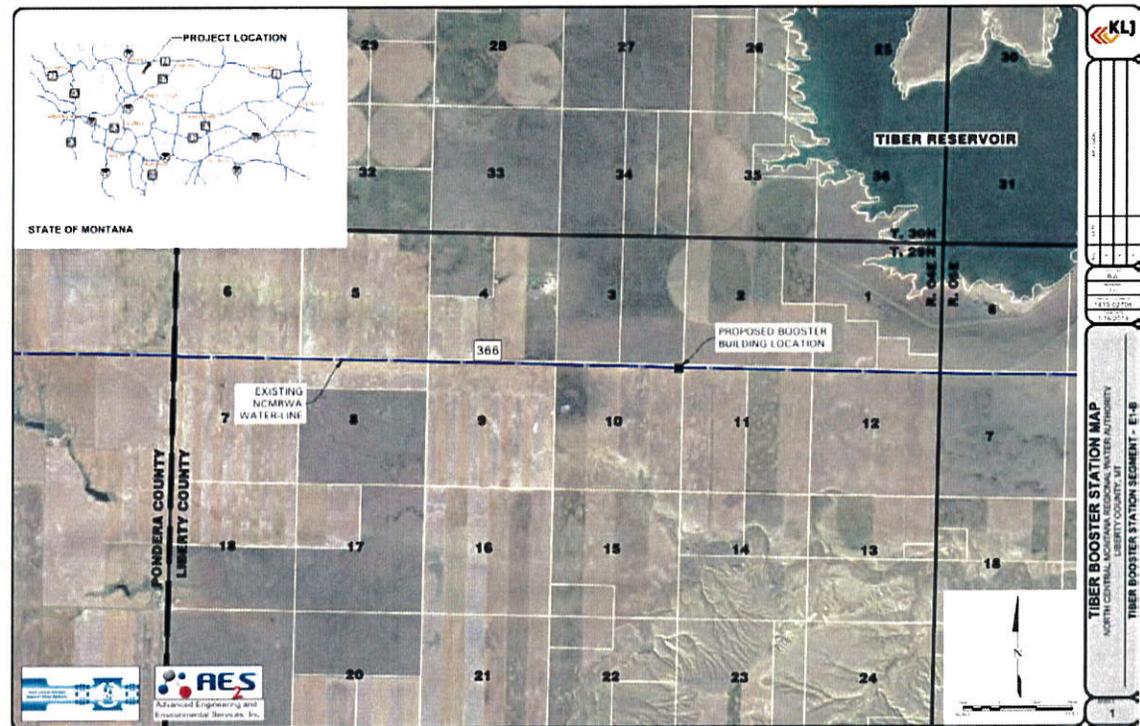
Segment E4

- Loma – Preliminary Route
- Preliminary Survey Expected to Start in April
- Preliminary Survey Expected to Start in April
- Preliminary Design Expected to Start mid-May
- Environmental Surveys in Summer '19



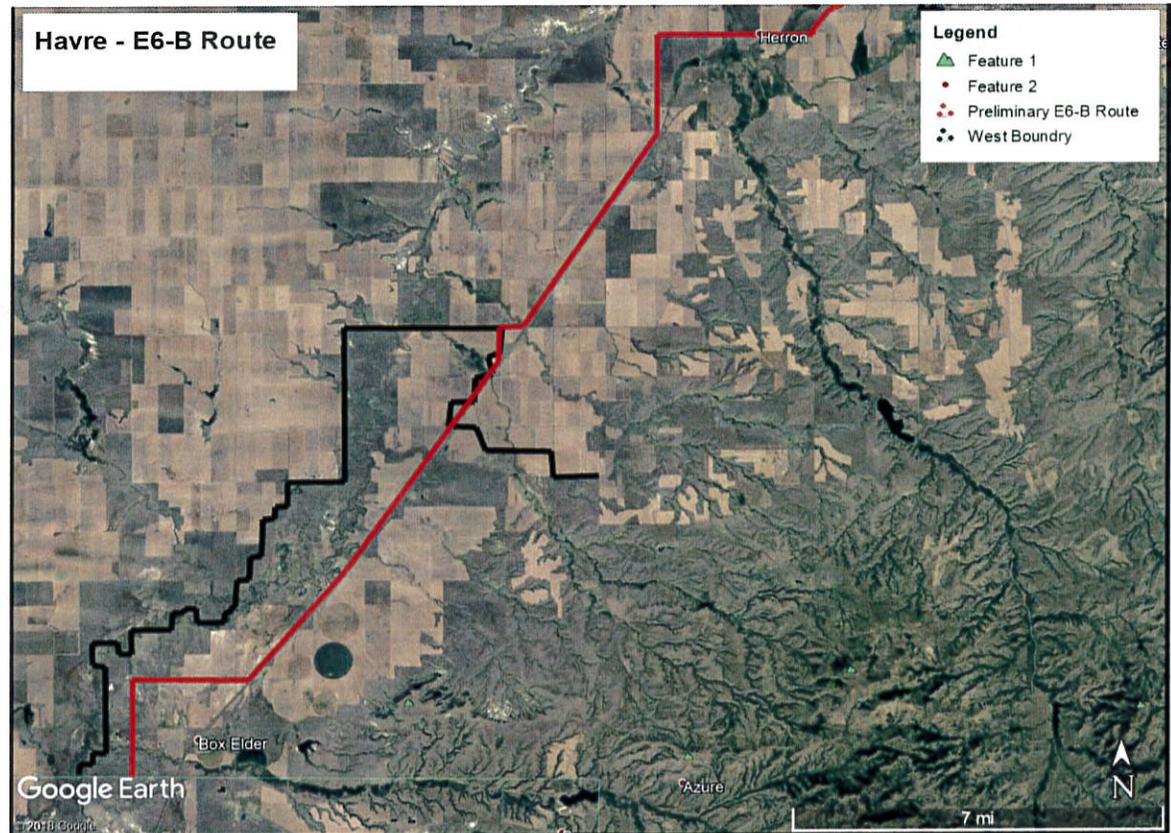
Segment E1-B

- Tiber Booster Station – Preliminary Route
- Preliminary Survey Expected to Start in April
- Preliminary Design Expected to Start mid-May
- Environmental Surveys in Summer '19



Segment E6-B

- Tiber Booster Station – Preliminary Route
- Preliminary Survey Expected to Start Summer '19
- Preliminary Design Expected to Start Fall '19



Shelby Wellfield

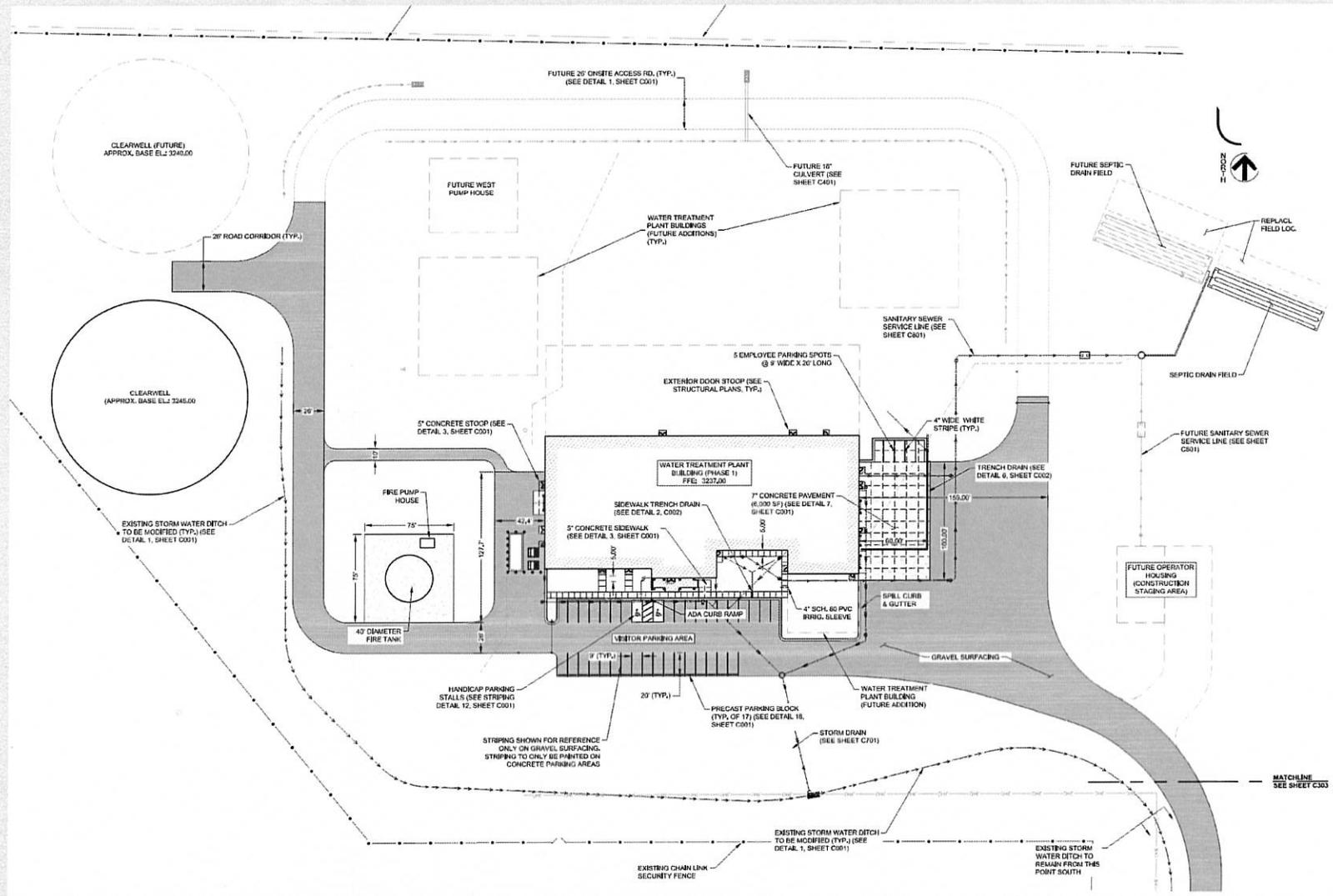
- Shelby Wellfield Ongoing Efforts
 - Design Efforts Approx. 50% Complete
 - Existing Wells
 - New Wells
 - Collection System
 - Treatments
 - Environmental Assessment is Underway
 - Bolland Drilling
 - On Site Drilling Test Wells March 25-29
 - HydroSolutions under contract
 - On Site Gathering Hydrology Data from Test Wells March 25-29
- Schedule
 - Submit plans and specs to DEQ for Review – April 2019
 - Bid – June 2019
 - Construction – July through November
 - Final Completion – December 2019



Core Team Coordination

- Water Treatment Plant
 - Weekly Design Meetings – KLJ/AE2S participating
 - 30%, 60%, 90% Formal Review
 - 30% February – Complete
 - Core Team received 54 design comments from the Non-Core Team with nearly all suggestions being incorporated into the design.
 - 60% April
 - 90% June

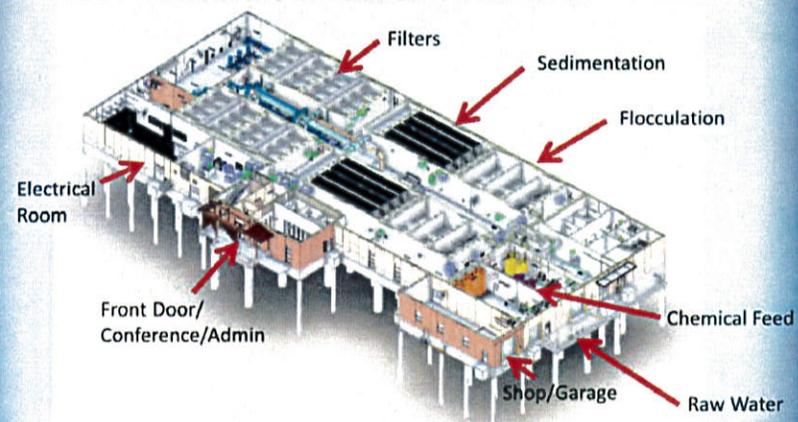
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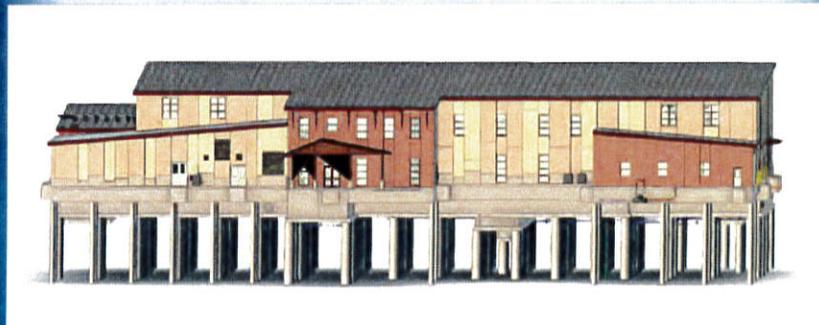
- Core/Non-Core Master Plan = \$58.4M
- 30% Cost Est. + Cont. (20%)
- Total 30% Design Est. = \$56.8
- Project Delivery –
Design-Bid-Build
- Bid Packages - Scope

Process Design



3D cutaway diagram of a water treatment plant. Labels with red arrows point to various components: Filters, Sedimentation, Flocculation, Electrical Room, Front Door/Conference/Admin, Chemical Feed, Shop/Garage, and Raw Water.

Structural/Arch Overview



3D architectural rendering of a multi-story building with a ground-level structure supported by columns.

30% Layouts



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QUESTIONS?



Rocky Boy's/NCMRWS Core System

Draft Project Sequence Plan for Reclamation - February 2019

Core System Project/Phase	Anticipated Project Sequence	Estimated Costs
WTP 11 Million Gallons per Day Part 1 (Expandable)	1	\$ 29,200,000
Core Pipeline - Segment #3B (30-inch) 3 Miles	2	\$ 3,300,000
Core Pipeline - Segment #4 (30-inch) 6.5 Miles	3	\$ 7,200,000
Core Pipeline - Segment #5 (30-inch) 6.5 Miles	4	\$ 7,200,000
Core Pipeline - Segment #6 (30-inch) 6.5 Miles	5	\$ 7,200,000
Core Pipeline - Segment #7 (30-inch) 6.5 Miles	6	\$ 7,500,000
Core Pipeline - Segment #8 (30-inch) 2.5 Miles	7	\$ 3,000,000
On-Reservation Phase 1 (Box Elder to Mother Tank)	8	\$ 3,700,000
WTP 11 Million Gallons per Day Part 2 (Expandable)	9	\$ 29,200,000
Intake - 11 MGD Pumping Capacity	10	\$ 3,100,000
On-Reservation Phase 2 (Mother Tank to Stone Child Tank)	11	\$ 8,300,000
On-Reservation Phase 3 (Stone Child Tank to Bonneau Tank)	12	\$ 4,000,000
On-Reservation Phase 4 (Bonneau Tank to St. Pierre Tank)	13	\$ 2,700,000
On-Reservation Phase 5 (St. Pierre Tank to Newtown Tank)	14	\$ 5,400,000
		\$ 121,000,000

Non-Core System Project/Phase	Anticipated Project Sequence	Estimated Costs
Segment E4 (Loma CWD)	1	\$4,100,000
Segment E5 (Big Sandy)	2	\$3,300,000
Segment E1-B (Tiber PS)	3	\$1,200,000
Segment E6-B (Havre)	4	\$28,500,000
Segment E3 (Hill CWD)	5	\$6,300,000
Segment W2-B (WTP to Chester)	6	\$17,000,000
Segment W2-A (Chester N)	7	\$11,900,000
Segment W1 (Chester to Shelby)	8	\$26,200,000
Segment W3-A (Shelby Hub)	9	\$5,600,000
Segment W5-B (Shelby North)	10	\$2,800,000
Segment W4-B2 (Conrad Area)	11	\$16,000,000
		\$122,900,000

Completed Segments for WTP Startup for minimum operations @ 1.25MGD:

Core Projects Segments 1-10	\$ 100,600,000
None Core Segments 1-3	\$8,600,000
Total	<u>\$ 109,200,000</u>

Notes:

1. Project sequencing is dependent on funding. WTP/Core Pipeline requested to be constructed along same timeline
2. Based on historical and preliminary cost estimating efforts.
3. Assumes project cost increases from inflation are covered with annual ceiling indexing by BoR.
4. Assumes 100% Core System Allocation of Federal Appropriations, State and Local Cost Share Contribution
5. Available capacity under this scenario:
 WTP: 5.4 MGD Tribal / 5.6 MGD Non-Tribal (Unused Tribal Capacity could be used by Non-Core Members in the
 Core Pipeline: 5.4 MGD Tribal / 9.9 MGD Non-Tribal

Toole County 2018 Prevention Needs Assessment Survey Snapshot

Since 1998, the Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services (DPHHS) has conducted a voluntary survey of youth in the 8th, 10th and 12th grades to gather information about their knowledge, attitudes and behaviors towards alcohol, tobacco and other drug use to help communities address root causes of antisocial behavior.

95 students surveyed (grades 8, 10 & 12)

Reports of Substance Use

Alcohol

- 42.1% have used alcohol (30% in 2016)
- 20% of all students engaged in binge drinking in the last month (10% in 2016)
Binge drinking is defined as 5 or more drinks in two hours.

Marijuana

- 8.4% have used marijuana (10% in 2016)
- 0% have used marijuana in the past 30 days (3.3% in 2016)

Use of other Drugs

- Inhalants---7.4% have sniffed inhalants like, glue, gas or Dust-off to get high (13.3% in 2016)
- Prescription Drugs---3.2% used narcotic prescription drugs without a doctor telling them to take them. (0% in 2016)

Tobacco Use

- 16.8% of students have smoked cigarettes (10.3% in 2016)
- 2.1% of students reported daily use of cigarettes (0% in 2016)

Electronic Vapor Product Use

- 18.9% of students have used the product (13.3% in 2016)
- 6.4% report daily use (3.3% in 2016)

Perception of Harm

Peer-Individual

Do you think it is wrong for someone your age to:

- drink alcohol nearly every day? 73.7% Yes (86.6% in 2016)
- smoke cigarettes? 90.5% Yes (96.7% in 2016)
- smoke marijuana? 86.4% Yes (96.7% in 2016)

Parental

Do you think your parents would think it is wrong for you to:

- drink alcohol nearly every day? 86% Yes (96.6% in 2016)
- smoke cigarettes? 96.7% Yes (96.5% in 2016)
- smoke marijuana? 93.6% Yes (93.1% in 2016)
- use prescription drugs not prescribed to you? 96.7% Yes (100% in 2016)

Suicide and Depression

- 19.1% reported seriously considering suicide in the past 12 months (6.7% in 2016)
- 9.7% reported actually attempting suicide in the past 12 months (0% in 2016)
- 34.1% reported feeling sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more (10.3% in 2016)

*Bullying

- 34% reported being bullied on school property
- 25% reported being bullied electronically (social media)
- 3% reported being bullied because of their sexual orientation
- 7% did not attend school because they were worried about being bullied.

*2018 is the first year questions about bullying were included on the MPNA, therefore no 2016 comparison data is available.

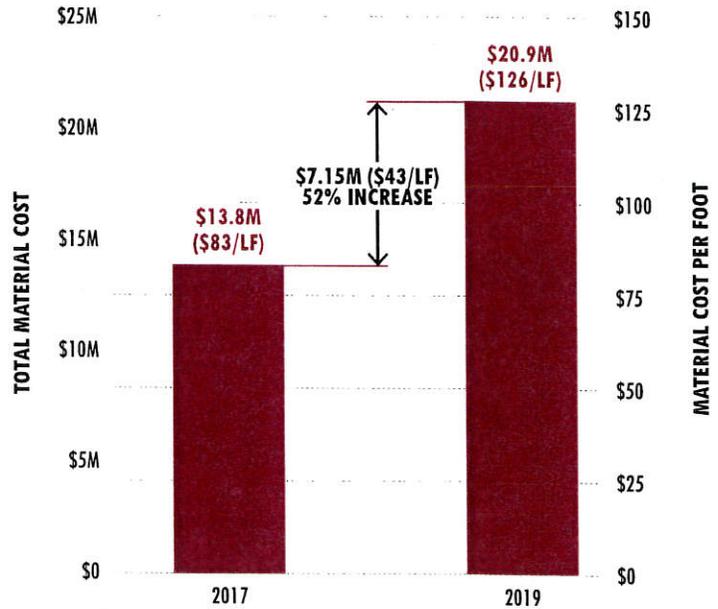
Project Indexing & Steel Tariff Impacts

Since 2002, the Congressional Authorized Project Ceiling has been indexed by the Bureau of Reclamation to account for the cost increases experienced in the market. Throughout the Project's history, several decisions have led to significant cost differences for the Project. One of these increases was the Bureau of Reclamation's Technical Memorandum No. 8140-cc-2004-1, which resulted in the Project using buried metallic steel pipe.

The recent United States Steel Tariffs have caused a huge cost impact in the steel pipe market. As shown in the chart to the right, the costs of steel pipe has risen nearly 52% in the last 18 months leading to a Project cost increase of an estimated \$7.15M. This cost increase cannot be accounted for in the remaining ceiling, and the Project is at risk of not being completed.

Steel Tariff relief is urgently needed to help the Rocky Boy's/NCMRWS Project and other steel pipe water projects throughout the US.

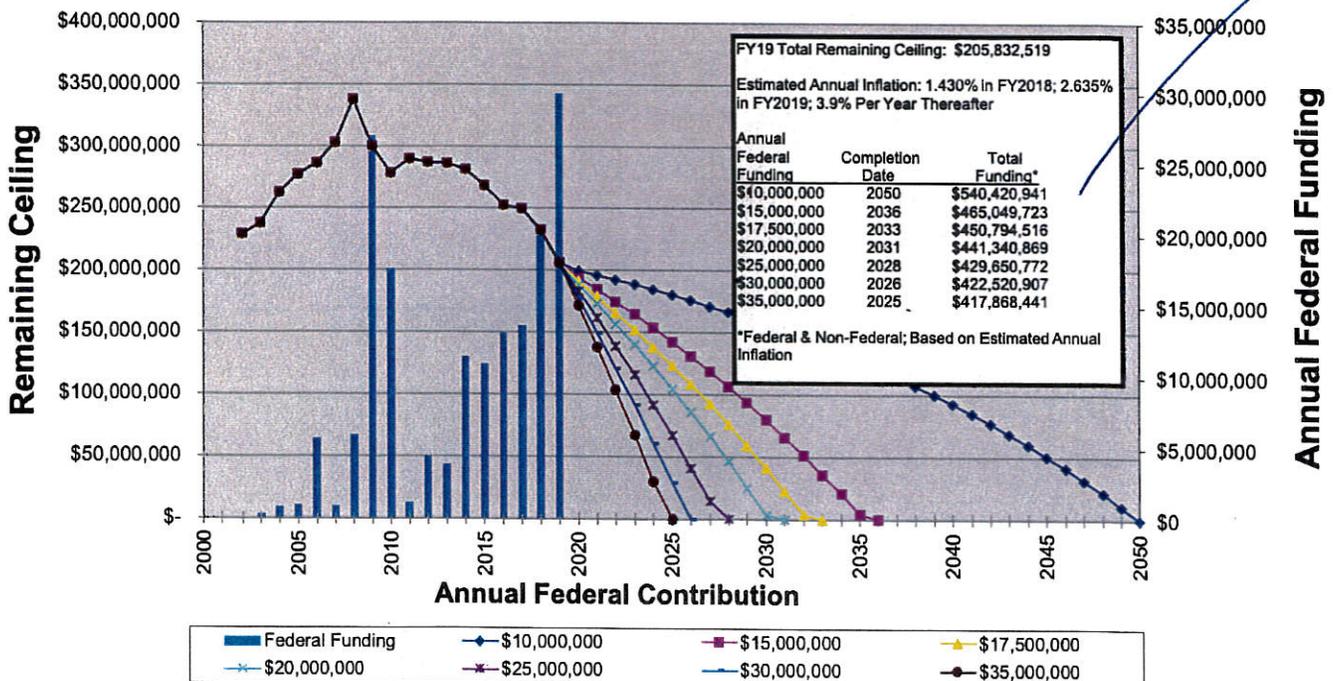
30-INCH STEEL PIPE COST INCREASE



HOW THE PROJECT INDEXING WORKS



ROCKY BOY'S/NORTH CENTRAL MONTANA REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM EFFECTS OF INFLATION VS. ANNUAL FEDERAL FUNDING LEVELS - NOV. 2018





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2019 Municipal Primary and General Election Calendar

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September 10 - Primary Election

November 5 - General Election

Deadline	Activity*	Statute
April 18	First day for candidates to file for office.	13-10-201(7)
June 17	5:00 p.m. - Deadline for candidates to file for office.	13-10-201(7)
	5:00 p.m. - Deadline for candidates to withdraw primary election candidacy.	13-10-325(1)(b)
Within 5 days of filing for office	Candidates file appropriate campaign paperwork with Commissioner of Political Practices (http://politicalpractices.mt.gov/) for their name to appear on the ballot.	13-37-201
After close of candidate filing	Period for Commissioner of Political Practices to notify election administrators of the names of any candidates that have not complied with the provisions of MCA Title 13, Chapter 37 and that those candidates' names may not appear on the official ballot.	13-37-126(3)
By June 27	Election administrators determine whether nonpartisan primary elections and parties' primary elections need to be held, then immediately notify governing body.	13-10-209 13-14-115(2)(d)
June 27	Deadline for governing body to decide that a nonpartisan primary must be held, if election administrator determines that the election need not be held.	13-14-115(3)

*Note: Some activities are only completed if a municipal primary election is held.

Deadline	Activity	Statute
July 12	Deadline for Secretary of State to receive mail ballot plan , timetable and instructions from county election administrators planning to conduct municipal primary election(s) by mail ballot.	13-19-205(1)
Starting not earlier than July 15	Election administrators must publish notice specifying the day regular voter registration for primary election will close and the availability of late registration (<i>three times in the four weeks preceding close of registration</i>).	13-2-301(1)(b)
August 1 – 31	Election administrators publish notice of the primary election three times. (<i>If the newspaper of general circulation is weekly, notice may be published two times.</i>)	13-1-108(1)
August 1	5:00 p.m. - Deadline for write-in candidates to file a Declaration of Intent for the primary election .	13-10-211(1) 13-13-205
August 12	5:00 p.m. - Deadline for candidates to withdraw general election candidacy.	13-10-327(2)
	Close of primary election regular voter registration (<i>registration forms postmarked by this date and received within 3 days are accepted for regular registration</i>).	13-2-301
	Beginning of period during which election administrators publicly test and certify that each voting machine used in an election is performing properly before the primary election .	13-17-212
	Date by which primary election absentee ballots must be available for voting; in a polling place election, electors on the absentee elector list, including absent military and overseas electors, are sent ballots automatically on August 16..	13-13-212(4) 13-13-205(1)(a)(i) 13-13-205(1)(a)(ii)
August 13	Beginning of late registration – Primary Election.	13-2-304
August 15	Registration forms postmarked by August 12 and received by this date are accepted for regular registration (primary election).	13-2-301(3)
August 21 – 26	If conducting election by mail ballot, period during which mail ballots are sent. A single mailing date must be chosen that is 20-15 days before election (primary election).	13-19-207(1)
August 31 – September 8	Election administrators must publish: a diagram showing the voting system and a sample of the ballot layout, a statement of the locations where voting systems used by voters are on public exhibition, and instructions on how to vote (primary election).	13-17-203(1)
	Election administrators must publish locations of the precinct polling places, including accessibility designations for each polling place (primary election).	13-3-105(2) 13-3-207
September 3	5:00 p.m. Deadline for write-in candidates to file a Declaration of Intent for the general election .	13-1-403(2)
	5:00 p.m. Earliest date and time that the governing body may cancel a general election by resolution, after being notified by the election administrator pursuant to the provisions of 13-1-403(4) that the number of candidates filing for election is equal to or less than the number of positions to be filled.	13-1-403(4)
September 6	Beginning of period for printing of primary election precinct register.	13-2-116(1)
	After 5:00 p.m. - Beginning of period for qualified electors who are prevented from voting at the polls as a result of illness or health emergency, occurring between 5:00 p.m. of the Friday before the election and 8:00 p.m. on election day, to request to vote in the primary election by special absentee ballot.	13-13-211(2) 13-13-212(2)
	Deadline for Secretary of State to receive mail ballot plan , timetable and instructions from county election administrators planning to conduct municipal general election by mail ballot.	13-19-205

Deadline	Activity	Statute
September 9	Noon - Deadline for application to be made for primary election absentee ballot.	13-13-211(1)
	Noon - Absentee ballots are issued to late registrants up until this time on the day before election day; late registrants who submit a registration form after noon must return to the election office on election day to receive an absentee ballot (primary election).	13-2-304
September 9	Election administrators may, at their option, conduct early preparation of absentee ballots as provided in statute and administrative rule (primary election).	13-13-241 44.3.2204 ARM
Starting not earlier than September 9 (General Election)	Election administrators must publish notice specifying the day regular voter registration for general election will close and the availability of late registration (<i>three times in the four weeks preceding close of registration</i>).	13-2-301(1)(b)
September 10	MUNICIPAL PRIMARY NOMINATING ELECTION	13-1-107(2)
	Election administrators or designees must randomly test and certify 5% of each type of voting system (<i>a minimum of one per county</i>), to validate the accuracy of voted paper ballots with the voting system results.	44.3.1713(1)(f) ARM
	8:00 p.m. - End of late registration (<i>or when all individuals in line at 8:00 p.m. have registered</i>).	13-2-304
September 11 – 16	Period during which election administrators may open a package containing a precinct register to resolve provisional ballots (primary election).	13-15-107(5)(b) 13-15-301(2)
September 16	3:00 p.m. - Deadline for election administrators to receive Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) that were sent by absent military and overseas electors by 8:00 p.m. on election day (primary election).	13-21-206(1)(c)
	3:00 p.m. - Counting of provisional ballots that are not resolved by the end of election day may not begin prior to this date and time (primary election).	13-15-107(6)
By September 24 (Primary Election)	Primary Election Canvass completed - Board declares nominated the individuals having received the highest number of votes cast for each office and proclaims adoption or rejection of ballot issues.	13-15-401 13-15-405
September 26 – October 26	Election administrators publish notice of the general election 3 times. (<i>If the newspaper of general circulation is weekly, notice may be published 2 times.</i>)	13-1-108
Within 5 days of official canvass (Primary Election)	Deadline for candidates to initiate contest of primary election nomination.	13-36-102(1)
	Deadline for unsuccessful primary election candidates to apply for a recount, if applicable.	13-16-201 13-16-301
Within 10 days of official canvass (Primary Election)	Deadline for successful primary election write-in nominees to file a written Declaration of Acceptance.	13-10-204
October 7	Date by which general election absentee ballots must be available for voting; in a polling place election, electors on the absentee elector list, including absent military and overseas electors, are sent ballots automatically on October 11.	13-13-212(4) 13-13-205(1)(a)(i) 13-13-205(1)(a)(ii)
October 7	Close of regular voter registration for general election (<i>registration forms postmarked by this date and received within 3 days are accepted for regular registration</i>).	13-2-301
	Beginning of period during which election administrators publicly test and certify that each voting machine used in an election is performing properly before the election.	13-17-212
October 8	Beginning of late registration – General Election.	13-2-304
October 10	Registration forms postmarked by October 7 and received by this date are accepted for regular registration.	13-2-301(3)

Deadline	Activity	Statute
October 16 – 21	If conducting election by mail ballot, period during which mail ballots are sent. A single mailing date must be chosen that is 20-15 days before election.	13-19-207(1)
October 26 – November 3	Election administrators must publish: a diagram showing the voting system and a sample of the ballot layout, a statement of the locations where voting systems to be used by voters are on public exhibition, and instructions on how to vote.	13-17-203
October 26 – November 3	Election administrators must publish locations of the precinct polling places, including accessibility designations for each polling place.	13-3-105(2) 13-3-207
November 1	Beginning of period for printing of general election precinct register.	13-2-116(1)
	After 5:00 p.m. - Beginning of period for qualified electors who are prevented from voting at the polls as a result of illness or health emergency, occurring between 5:00 p.m. of the Friday before the election and 8:00 p.m. on election day, to request to vote by special absentee ballot.	13-13-211(2) 13-13-212(2)
November 4	Noon - Deadline for application to be made for absentee ballot.	13-13-211(1)
	Noon - Absentee ballots are issued to late registrants up until this time on the day before election day; late registrants who submit a registration form after noon must return to the election office on election day to receive an absentee ballot.	13-2-304
	Election administrators may, at their option, conduct early preparation of absentee ballots as provided in statute and administrative rule.	13-13-241 44.3.2204 ARM
November 5	MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION	13-1-104(3)
	Election administrators or designees must randomly test and certify 5% of each type of voting system (<i>a minimum of one per county</i>), to validate the accuracy of voted paper ballots with the voting system results.	44.3.1713(1)(f) ARM
	8:00 p.m. - End of late registration (<i>or when all individuals in line at 8:00 p.m. have registered</i>).	13-2-304
November 6 – 11	Period during which election administrators may open a package containing a precinct register to resolve provisional ballots.	13-15-107(5)(b) 13-15-301(2)
November 11	3:00 p.m. - Deadline for election administrators to receive Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) that were sent by absent military and overseas electors by 8:00 p.m. on election day.	13-21-206
	3:00 p.m. - Counting of provisional ballots that are not resolved by the end of election day may not begin prior to this date and time.	13-15-107(6)
After Election	Period for Commissioner of Political Practices to certify to election administrators the names of all elected municipal candidates who complied with MCA Title 13, Chapter 37 so that certificates of election can be issued.	13-37-126
By November 19	General Election Canvass completed - Board declares elected the individuals having received the highest number of votes cast for each office and proclaims adoption or rejection of ballot issues.	13-15-401 13-15-405
Within 5 days of official canvass	Deadline for unsuccessful general election candidates to apply for a recount, if applicable.	13-16-201 13-16-301
Within 10 days of official canvass	Deadline for successful general election write-in candidates to file a written Declaration of Acceptance.	13-15-111



Election Information

My Voter Page

Visit the Secretary of State's webpage at sosmt.gov for the following services on My Voter Page*:

- Check your registration and absentee status.
- Find your polling place*, including a map with directions to the polling place. (*The polling place listed is for the statewide primary/general election, check with your County Election Administrator to verify if it is the same for Municipal Elections.*)

***Note: Sample Ballots and Absentee Ballot tracking are not available for municipal elections on the My Voter Page.**

Filing for Office

- Pursuant to [13-10-201](#), MCA, in a partisan election, an individual may not file a Declaration for Nomination or a Declaration of Intent for more than one political party.
- A candidate may not file for more than one public office. (This does not include precinct committee candidates, if applicable).
- Individuals cannot file for nonpartisan offices as independent candidates or as political party candidates.

Late Registration

- An elector may register or change the elector's voter registration information after the close of regular registration by appearing at the county election office or designated location before the close of polls on election day.
- Late registration closes temporarily at noon the day before election day. It reopens at 7 a.m. on election day.
- Absent military and overseas electors are eligible for late registration.

Polling Places

- According to [13-1-106](#), MCA, polls must open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., except that polling places having fewer than 400 registered electors must be open from at least noon to 8:00 p.m. (or until all registered electors in any precinct have voted).
- Contact your [county election office](#) for your polling place location and hours.

ID for Voting

- All voters must present ID when voting at the polling place.
- ID can be any current photo ID with the voter's name, or if photo ID is not available, a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, notice of confirmation of voter registration, government check or other government document that shows the voter's name and current address.

Provisional Ballots

- Electors whose eligibility or identity cannot be determined are allowed to vote a provisional ballot.
- Proof of registration or required identification must be provided to the county election office by 5:00 p.m. the day after the election, or mailed to the county election office by the day after the election.
- Pursuant to [13-15-107](#), MCA, counting of provisional ballots that are not resolved by the end of election day may not begin prior to 3:00 p.m. the sixth day after the election.
- Election officials shall notify each elector who cast a provisional ballot, by the most expedient means possible, whether or not the elector's ballot was counted, and the reason(s) why or why not.

Voter Info

Contact the [Election Administrator](#) at your county election office. Contact the Secretary of State at soselections@mt.gov or at 1-888-884-8683 (VOTE).