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Dear Mrs. Fashoway,

This letter is to inform the Montana Geospatial Information Advisory Council that Blaine County intends to proceed with the FY2025 proposed project into the FY2027 grant year. In doing so, we would propose the collection of these preliminary HUCs, but it could change based on the results of the USGS DCA -

HUC10 - 1005000404 - Bullhook Creek - Milk River
HUC10 - 1005000402 - Little Box Elder Creek
HUC10 - 1005000403 - Clear Creek
HUC10 - 1005000408 - Snake Creek

The requested grant funds of \$57,500 (including a 15% inflation adjustment) will cover the estimated cost of three of the identified HUCs. Blaine County has committed \$12,500 to matching funds, which, when combined with the City of Chinook's \$2,500 contribution and Hill County's \$5,000 match, will fully fund the acquisition of all listed HUCs.

Additionally, Blaine County has applied to the FY26 USGS DCA program to pursue funding for three additional HUCs not included in the above list.

Sincerely,



Shane Fox, Commissioner



Savannah Wendeln

Grant Coordinator