



Planning Department Monthly Report

For the Month of: March 2012

Past Month Highlights (Prioritized in order of significance)

- Issued two Development Certificates (for residences in the Helmville area)
- Processed five Right-of-Way Occupancy Permits, two Boundary Relocations, and a Minor Subdivision
- Attended the Montana Floodplain Manager's Conference in Kalispell
- Participated in the CEDS public informational meeting at the Community Center
- Observed the EPA's installation of a sheet pile wall at the Milwaukee Roundhouse site
- Toured the Milwaukee Roundhouse site with Colleen Owen of the DEQ
- Attended CEDS meeting at Headwaters RC&D
- Discussed County projects to submit for NRDP funding with Darryl Burton
- Participated in the Valley Conservation District's Annual Working Group session
- Attended the Arrowstone Park Board meeting and prepared their minutes
- Oversaw the Cottonwood Creek Advisory Committee meeting and prepared their minutes
- Attended a meeting with MDOT staff and City officials regarding the proposed Main Street Bridge
- Attended the Montana's Association of Planners Broad meeting in Butte
- Attended the monthly Valley Conservation District meeting
- Attended the Watershed Restoration Coalition meeting and their discussion regarding NRDP projects
- Attended the Community Garden meeting

Progress on Major Goals for the Year

- **Provide professional assistance to the City of Deer Lodge**
 - Discussed community planning options with the Mayor
- **Coordinate the County's GIS capabilities among the various user groups**
 - Informed DNRC of the County's acquisition of LiDAR as a means to digitally update the FIRMs

Major Focus for Next Month

- Prepare a DNRC Reclamation & Development Planning Grant application for the Roundhouse.
- Prepare two Conditional Use Permit applications for the Planning Board.

Items of Interest for the County Commissioners

- DEQ intends to prepare a sampling approach for Arrowstone Park and present at the May 16th meeting.
- Department's vehicle is having mechanical difficulties.
- Planning Board is still reviewing the Department's proposed 2012 Fee Schedule.

Budget

- Department used four-percent of its budget in February and 38-percent for the year.
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Upcoming Staffing Concerns

- None.