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Scott L. Graham
Project Officer
Montana Department of Environmental Quality

Subject: Missoula White Pine Sash (MWPS) Facility

Dear Mr. Graham,

Thank you for opportunity to provide updated information regarding anticipated future uses of the City property and the patterns of development and land uses in the area of White Pine Sash. In January, 2011, the City received a similar request and provided a detailed response addressing "anticipated future uses of City-owned property, patterns of development and future uses anticipated by local planning officials." Since 2011 very little has changed regarding patterns of development and future uses anticipated.

The eastern portion of the City-owned property continues to function as a City park. The master plan for the park has largely been implemented except for future additional trees, a complete perimeter walking path, and possibly a small picnic shelter. The playground and playing field is in and being used by residents.

The western portion of the City-owned property continues to function as the site for the City Public Works Department maintenance facilities. The City is working with DEQ to get the necessary soil sampling process completed to construct a heated equipment storage building where one of the old pole sheds used to be. The building will be adjacent to the North Shop wall. There is a DEQ soil sample plan and feasibility study for this project. The soil sampling will begin the 1st of January. Two new three-sided equipment storage sheds were constructed (with DEQ approval) on the west end of the site. About 85 % of the perimeter has been fenced, and the remaining fencing is pending some easement work with MRL.

Currently, the Missoula Redevelopment Agency is exploring "findings of blight" for the area between Scott and Reserve Street from the railroad tracks to the Interstate in order to potentially establish a new urban renewal district. The White Pine Sash site is located within that area.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laval Means".

Laval Means
Development Services, Planning Manager
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