

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
TOWN OF KEVIN, MONTANA
WATER SYTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT – PHASE 1

November 24, 2009

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality and the Montana Department of Commerce have reviewed the above named project. The project consists of installing water meters, meter pits, radio transeiver and software, a new 300,000-gallon water storage reservoir to provide additional storage for the existing population, replacement of approximately 3,430 feet of 6-inch PVC water distribution main, replacement of approximately 2,200 feet of 4 to 6-inch PVC water transmission main, air relief and pressure reducing structures, and all associated service connections, curb stops, valves, and appurtenances. The project will also include the resurfacing of all disturbed road surfaces and the restoration of native vegetation over the disturbed portions of transmission main.

The proposed 300,000-gallon glass-lined steel water storage tank will be located adjacent to the existing water storage tanks on property owned and maintained by the town. The tank site is on the northwest edge of town. The proposed distribution main replacement work will occur at the following locations:

- 6th Avenue between 4th Street and 2nd Street, and a portion of 4th street just south of 6th Avenue
- 2nd Street between 3rd Avenue and 6th Avenue
- 5th Avenue between 2nd Street and Front Street
- 1st Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue

The five to six sections of transmission main proposed for replacement will be located in open grass lands between town and the public water supply well field located northwest of town. The transmission main replacement work will occur within the following general locations:

- Township 35 North Range 3 West, Section 30
- Township 35 North Range 4 West, Sections 23-25
- Township 35 North Range 4 West, Sections 12-14

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

Town of Kevin
211 Front Street
Kevin, MT 59454

Sincerely,

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