

November 18-19, 2021

**ITEM 197-2010-R1121**

**Request for Authorization to Plan, Design and Repair HVAC System for Campus Data Centers in AJM Johnson Hall; Montana State University**

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**THAT**

Consistent with the provisions of BOR Policy 940.9.2 and 1003.7, the Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to plan, design and repair the HVAC system for Campus Data Centers in AJM Johnson Hall using institutional COVID relief funds. This request is for \$1,300,000.

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**EXPLANATION**

1. Montana State University (MSU) is requesting authorization to plan, design and repair the existing HVAC system in the basement of AJM Johnson Hall to ensure the Campus Data Centers have continuity of operations.
  2. The HVAC issue was identified through MSU's annual Facility Condition Assessment process and was outlined in the University's Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) completed by our Office of Emergency Management as critical infrastructure component.
  3. Upon the completion of the preliminary review and design, MSU will repair the existing HVAC system to ensure the Data Centers have an upgraded cooling system to prevent overheating. Additional ancillary work relating to electrical, IT and other communications systems will also be corrected as part of this request.
  4. No new or additional state funds will be requested for operations and maintenance of these existing facilities as a result of this project.
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**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment #1: Physical Plant B 1003.7