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#### ITEM 206-2010-R0523

# Request for Authorization to Execute a Public Sanitary Sewer Utility Easement in the Area of the Bozeman Agricultural Research and Teaching (BART) Farm; Montana State University

#### **THAT**

Consistent with BOR Policy 1003.6 (IV), the Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University (MSU) to execute a 30-foot-wide sewer easement and associated agreement with the City of Bozeman, as the utility owner/operator, extending approximately 320 linear feet in the area of W. Lincoln St. and Remington Way at the MSU BART Farm.

### **EXPLANATION**

- 1. A 30 foot public utility easement will be granted on the southern portion of property held by MSU and the Montana Agricultural Experiment Stations (MAES) and used jointly for the operation the BART Farm in the area of W Lincoln St and Remington Way, west of S. 19<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- 2. The easement will create a connection in sanitary sewer utility infrastructure between an existing sanitary sewer main owned and operated by the City of Bozeman in an existing easement on MAES property along W Lincoln St, and new utility infrastructure on adjoining private property approximately 320 feet south of W Lincoln St.
- 3. The area proposed for the easement is currently vacant of existing structures and has no immediate plans for building development.
- 4. The new sanitary sewer infrastructure could be of future benefit to MSU, should future development by the University in the area be desired (though not planned at this time).
- 5. The area is currently used for agricultural teaching and research functions at the BART Farm and such functions will be able to continue with the easement and infrastructure in place.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment #1: Site Diagram of General Scope of Easement Attachment #2: Legal Easement Description and Diagram