

November 16-17, 2023

ITEM 209-2003-R1123

Request for Authorization to Design and Construct the Facilities Yard Relocation Project; Montana State University

THAT

Consistent with MCA 18-2-102, 20-25-302 and BOR Policy 1003.7, the Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to expend up to \$25,000,000 of Authority Only, Maintenance Authority and General Spending Authority for the construction and relocation of the Facilities Yard operations to support campus services.

EXPLANATION

1. Since 2017, MSU has been planning for a future move of the Facilities Yard operations; MSU received \$9,000,000 in authority-only authorization in 2019 during the 66th Legislative Session to relocate existing functions.
 2. MSU received design authority to prepare plans and design options with BOR ITEM 196-2022-R0921.
 3. MSU received another \$8,000,000 in authority-only authorization in 2023 during the 68th Legislative Session upon receiving initial construction estimates.
 4. The project will relocate existing functions and consolidate operations into a more efficient layout in planning for future academic and institutional buildings along 7th Avenue to better align with campus growth. The Plew Building and Heating Plant will remain in their current locations.
 5. University Facilities Management, contracted design professionals and a licensed contractor have completed design and construction cost estimates in the current construction market resulting in a total project cost of \$25,000,000.
 6. MSU is requesting the original \$2M of design authority in BOR ITEM 196-2022-R0921 to be considered BOR Authority for design only tasks under 20-25-302, MCA.
 7. MSU will request an authority-only budget amendment from State A&E of an additional \$6,000,000 for the project.
 8. MSU will be retiring approximately \$8,000,000 in deferred maintenance throughout the Facilities Yard.
 9. The project will be paid for using physical plant funds from maintenance accounts.
 10. No additional operations and maintenance costs are anticipated with this project.
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ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment #1: Project Details (BOR Policy 1003.7)
- Attachment #2: Facilities Yard Relocation Site Plan