



Community Association Board of Directors

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Meeting for Federal Grants from DNRC

February 26th, 2025

5:30pm-7:00pm

In attendance:

John Moffat DNRC Grants Manager

Carmen Borchelt DNRC Community Preparedness & Fire Prevention

Derek Yaeger Yellowstone County Director of Emergency Services

Bryan Francis Billings Fire Department

Cole McQuillan Billings Parks Superintendent

Noel Wilson DNRC Fuels Mitigation

Jan & Denny Rehberg

Lisa Hildreth

Ken Blackledge

Mary Stubson

Don Clair (President) & interested residents of Fox Hollow condos

To boil it down, we talked about what kind of funding and focus of what our community is most in need of. The focus is on the natural park areas within the community and the bordering state land. There are both state and Federal programs, so they explained the benefits of both, and it seems that we will benefit most from the Federal grant, which is better designed for our needs.

Cole McQuillan stated that they would work hand in hand with the program in receiving the funds directly and then hiring contractors to perform the work. If we are granted the money, the earliest time to begin the work would be the fall of 2026. Because there are strips of natural park areas, especially near the Fox Hollow Townhomes, that are in more immediate need, the townhome's board of directors will work with Carmen to pinpoint dangerous areas and work with us to see what we can report to the city for mitigation in the immediate areas that are safety concerns.

It was also suggested that we call the Rod & Gun Club Board to see if they would be interested in collaborating since we both border state lands. The Board president was notified and will call John Moffat for more details and then bring the information to his board members to see if this is something that they are interested in. I haven't heard anything back yet.

Our project meets all the qualification requirements, so there is a pretty good chance that we may get it but of course, no promises.

Jan Rehberg, Ken Blackledge and I will be meeting with John Moffat to begin the application for the grants and answer any other questions we may have! If any of you want to attend, it will be held on **March 3rd at the DNRC office at 1371 Rimtop Road at 1:00pm**