

## EXHIBIT 2-I

### NOTICE TO STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

January 8, 2018

Mr. Damon Murdo  
State Historic Preservation Office  
Montana Historical Society  
1410 Eighth Avenue  
Helena, Montana 59620

SENT VIA EMAIL

Re: Consultation under 36 CFR Part 800 Community Development Block Grant Program

Dear Mr. Murdo,

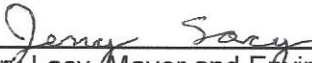
The City of Thompson Falls has approval for a Montana Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) of \$381,730 from the Montana Department of Commerce. This grant will involve improving an existing vacant city-owned 3.34 acre lot in downtown Thompson Falls to include a landscaped park and trail with multi-use field, amphitheater, restrooms, pavilion, and parking lot.

We request that you review the enclosed data and notify us either of (1) any sites, structures, or districts already listed in or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places which could be affected by the proposed project or (2) your recommendations regarding the need for archeological or historical and architectural inventory of the project area. We understand that the effects of the proposed undertaking on properties listed in or determined to be eligible for listing in the National Register (already determined or determined as a result of inventory) will be discussed with you and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation later.

***This property has a history of being used as an athletic field.*** As WGM Group previously contacted you about this project, I am enclosing a copy of the letter submitted to you on Oct. 23, 2017 to give you a better understanding of the area and resources that will be affected. Your subsequent email responses are also included.

If we do not receive a reply within 30 days, we will assume that you have no further comments other than those previously provided and know of no properties or sites which are included in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register, which may be affected by the proposed undertaking. Also, if we do not identify any cultural property during our review process, we will proceed with the project assuming that cultural resources have been adequately addressed.

Sincerely,

  
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Jerry Lacy, Mayor and Environmental Certifying Officer  
108 Fulton Street, Thompson Falls, MT 59873  
406-827-3557

**NOTE: Please find enclosed letter, maps, legal description, and pertinent photographs.**

October 23, 2017

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Damon Murdo, State Historic Preservation Officer  
Montana Historical Society  
225 N. Roberts  
Helena, MT 59601

Re: **Agency Review for Proposed Ainsworth Field Park Project in Thompson Falls, MT**

Dear Damon:

The City of Thompson Falls is proposing to build a park at the northwest intersection of Maiden Lane and Lincoln Street, just south of W. Main Street (Hwy 200). The project is located in Government Lot 6 of Section 7 and Government Lot 4 of Section 8, T21N, R29W, P.M., M, City of Thompson Falls, Sanders County, Montana (see vicinity map below). The proposed Ainsworth Field Park will serve as the keystone park in the City's urban system, and will include a pavilion with restrooms along with an amphitheater. This park will be capable of holding events, concerts, and family gatherings, and its presence is expected to increase the number of events downtown, stimulating economic activity and contributing to the community's sense of place.



**FIGURE 1. GENERAL VICINITY MAP**

The purpose of this letter is to request comments from your agency on this project for inclusion in a preliminary engineering report (PER) that is being prepared for this project. This PER follows the requirements of the Uniform PER for Montana Public Facility Projects to assist with obtaining grant funding for construction of the project, and it requires comments from public agencies. The intent



of the PER is to discuss the improvements required to create a park on an underutilized City owned parcel in downtown Thompson Falls (see Figure 2). The proposed park is located within the downtown Thompson Falls main street corridor, just a block away from the Clark Fork River.



**FIGURE 2. PROJECT AREA VICINITY MAP**

The project entails the construction of a new covered pavilion building, an amphitheater, and a trail system connecting existing Thompson Falls park trails. This will include utility extensions to the property including electrical, water, and sewer. All proposed construction will take place in areas previously developed; primarily on the park property. A conceptual drawing of the park is enclosed with this letter, and a 3D rendering of the project can be seen in Figure 3.



**FIGURE 3. Conceptual 3D Rendering of Proposed Ainsworth Field Park**

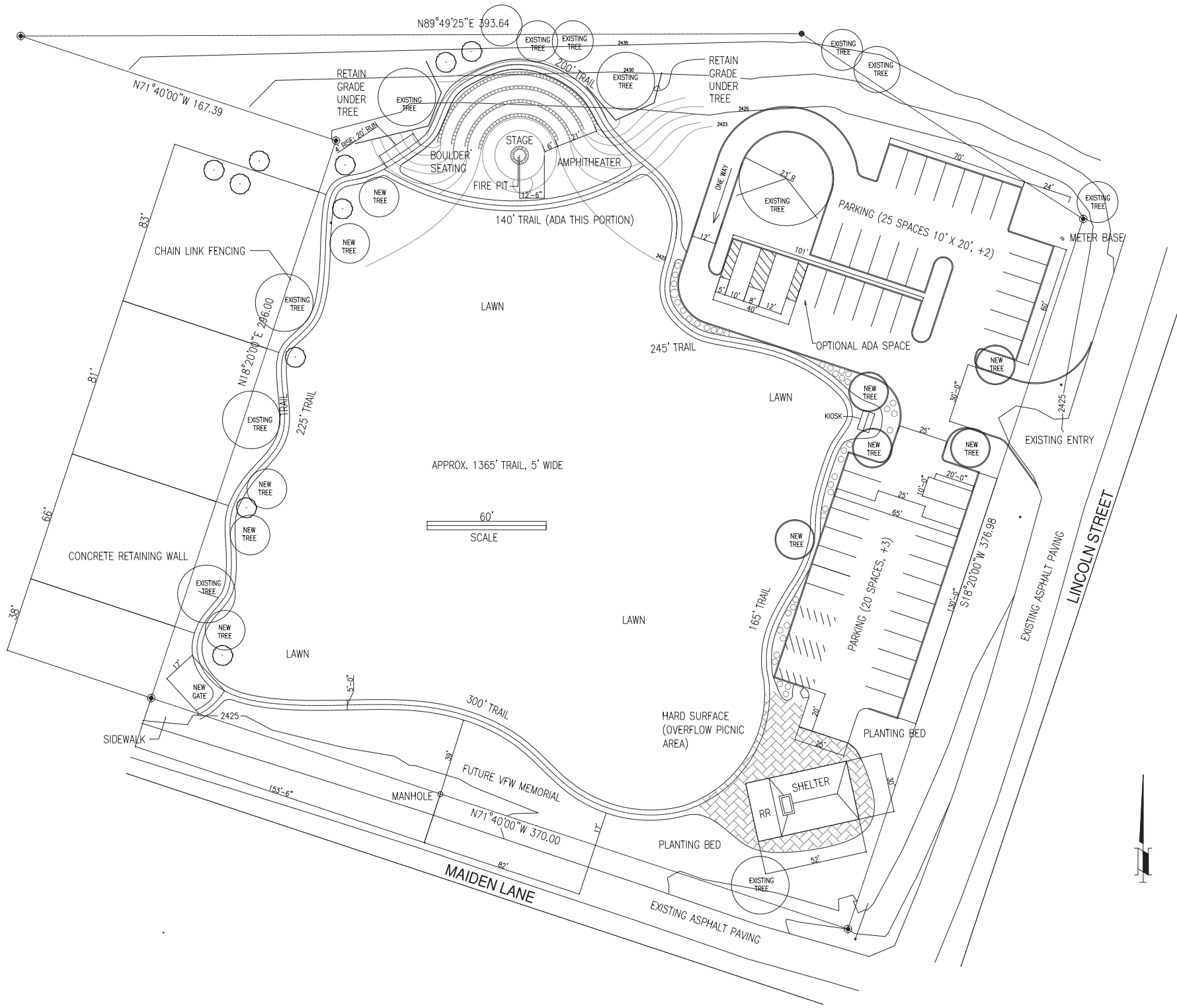
It is anticipated that the City of Thompson Falls will soon begin applying for grant funding, with the goals of completing final design in 2018 and construction in 2018/2019. Please provide comments on this project from your agency's perspective. All comment letters received will be incorporated into an appendix of the PER. If you have any questions as you are going through your review, please feel free to email me at [mbrodie@wgmgroupp.com](mailto:mbrodie@wgmgroupp.com) or give me a call at (406) 756-4848.

Sincerely,  
WGM Group, Inc.

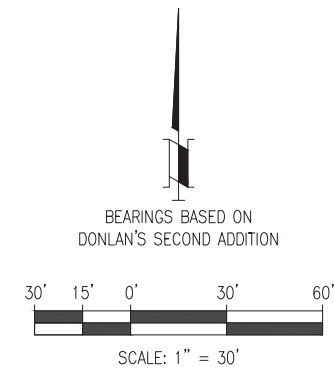


**Mike Brodie, P.E.**  
Project Engineer

Enclosure: Ainsworth Park Record of Survey



"AINSWORTH PARK"  
IN GOVERNMENT LOT 6 OF SECTION 7  
AND GOVERNMENT LOT 4 OF  
SECTION 8, T21N, R29W, PMM,  
CITY OF THOMPSON FALLS  
SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA



RECORD OF SURVEY  
SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA  
CITY OF THOMPSON FALLS, AINSWORTH PARK  
SECTION 8, T21N, R29W PMM  
AVISTA CORP  
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

1"=30'	10-14-14	APPROVED
SCALE	DATE	
DESIGN HAGEDORN	CHECKED	
DRAWN JEWELL	NOTED	DATE
CHECKED	NOTED	SHT. OF E-37730

0	08-28-13	MASTER PLAN ISSUED FOR CONSTRUCTION	CJ		
NO	DATE	REVISION	BY	CKD	AS BUILT

## Stephanie Reynolds

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**From:** Murdo, Damon <dmurdo@mt.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 7, 2018 12:08 PM  
**To:** Stephanie Reynolds  
**Subject:** FW: Ainsworth Park PER (Thompson Falls) Agency Comment Letter

Stephanie,

Thank you for your call regarding the Ainsworth Field Park Project. I have looked in more detail at the previously recorded sites within the search area you provided. All of the sites are located outside of the proposed project area. We feel that this project will not be impacting any known cultural resources.

Thanks,

Damon Murdo  
Cultural Records Manager  
State Historic Preservation Office  
Montana Historical Society  
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Helena, MT 59620-1201  
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**From:** Murdo, Damon  
**Sent:** Monday, October 23, 2017 1:53 PM  
**To:** Mike Brodie <mbrodie@wgmgroup.com>  
**Cc:** Stephanie Reynolds <sreynolds@wgmgroup.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Ainsworth Park PER (Thompson Falls) Agency Comment Letter



October 23, 2017

Mike Brodie  
WGM Group  
431 1<sup>st</sup> Ave West  
Kalispell MT 59901

RE: PROPOSED AINSWORTH FIELD PARK PROJECT, THOMPSON FALLS. SHPO Project #: 2017102306

Dear Mr. Brodie:

I have conducted a cultural resource file search for the above-cited project located in Sections 7, 8, T21N R29W. According to our records there have been a few previously recorded sites within the designated search

locales. In addition to the sites there have been a few previously conducted cultural resource inventories done in the areas. I've attached a list of these sites and reports. If you would like any further information regarding these sites or reports, you may contact me at the number listed below.

It is SHPO's position that any structure over fifty years of age is considered historic and is potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. If any structures are to be altered and are over fifty years old we would recommend that they be recorded and a determination of their eligibility be made.

As long as there will be no disturbance or alteration to structures over fifty years of age we feel that there is a low likelihood cultural properties will be impacted. We, therefore, feel that a recommendation for a cultural resource inventory is unwarranted at this time. However, should structures need to be altered or if cultural materials be inadvertently discovered during this project we would ask that our office be contacted and the site investigated.

If you have any further questions or comments you may contact me at (406) 444-7767 or by e-mail at [dmurdo@mt.gov](mailto:dmurdo@mt.gov). I have attached an invoice for the file search. Thank you for consulting with us.

Sincerely,

Damon Murdo  
Cultural Records Manager  
State Historic Preservation Office

File: LOCAL/PLANNING/2017



Site #	Twp	Rng	Sec	Qs	Site Type 1	Site Type 2	Time Period	Owner	NR Status
24SA0131	21N	29W	7		Historic District		Historic More Than One Decade	Combination	Undetermined*
24SA0165	21N	29W	7	comb	Historic Energy Development		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	DOE
24SA0199	21N	29W	7	NE	Historic Railroad		1880-1889	Other	Eligible
24SA0293	21N	29W	7		Historic Vehicular/Foot Bridge		Prehistoric More Than One Period	Other	DOE
24SA0215	21N	29W	7		Historic Residence		1910-1919	Private	NR Listed
24SA0131	21N	29W	8		Historic District		Historic More Than One Decade	Combination	Undetermined*
24SA0132	21N	29W	8		Historic Hotel/Motel		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0133	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0135	21N	29W	8		Historic Fraternal Lodge		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0165	21N	29W	8	comb	Historic Energy Development		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	DOE
24SA0199	21N	29W	8	comb	Historic Railroad		1880-1889	Other	Eligible
24SA0256	21N	29W	8		Historic Commercial Development		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0257	21N	29W	8		Historic Hotel/Motel		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0258	21N	29W	8		Historic Commercial Development		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0259	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0260	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	Undetermined*
24SA0261	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0262	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	Undetermined*
24SA0263	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0264	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0265	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0266	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0267	21N	29W	8		Historic Site		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	Undetermined*
24SA0268	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	Undetermined*
24SA0269	21N	29W	8		Historic Residence	Historic Energy Development	Historic More Than One Decade	Private	Undetermined*
24SA0294	21N	29W	8		Historic Vehicular/Foot Bridge		Prehistoric More Than One Period	Other	DOE
24SA0134	21N	29W	8	comb	Historic Residence		Historic More Than One Decade	Private	NR Listed
24SA0214	21N	29W	8		Historic Railroad Building/Structure		1900-1909	Private	NR Listed
24SA0222	21N	29W	8	NW	Historic Political/Government	Historic Architecture	1900-1909	State Owned	NR Listed
24SA0497	21N	29W	8	NW	Historic Residence		1920-1930	Private	Ineligible
24SA0498	21N	29W	8	NW	Historic Residence		No Indication of Time	Private	Ineligible



<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Report Date</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Report</b>	<b>TRS</b>
BOWERS	MARTHA, ET AL.	1/8/1982	AN EVALUATION OF THE HISTORIC AND PREHISTORIC CULTURAL RESOURCES IN THE THOMPSON FALLS, RYAN AND HAUSER DAM AREA, CENTRAL AND WESTERN MONTANA	SA 6 9493	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 7
JEPSON	DANIEL A., ET AL.	12/1/1989	CLASS I AND CLASS III CULTURAL RESOURCE INVENTORIES OF AT & T SPOKANE-BILLINGS FIBER OPTIC FACILITIES IN MONTANA	ZZ 6 10823	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 7
SHIVE	JAMES J.	12/30/1992	THOMPSON FALLS HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT, FERC PROJECT NO. 1869, AMENDMENTS TO PLANT REDEVELOPMENT PLAN, CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, REVIEW AND MANAGEMENT PLAN	SA 6 14592	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 7
GRANT	DAVID	11/30/1994	FIBER OPTIC LINE PORT OF PIEGAN, ALBERTA TO THOMPSON FALLS; CONSTRUCTION MONITORING REPORT	ZZ 6 16637	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 7
ROSSILLON	MITZI	3/16/1995	THOMPSON FALLS ISLAND, THOMPSON FALLS HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT	SA 6 16983	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 7
MEYER	GARREN	9/1/1999	PROPOSED MAIN POST OFFICE LOCATION, THOMPSON FALLS, SANDERS CO. MT	SA 6 22284	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 7
HERBEL	BRIAN	10/1/2012	LITERATURE REVIEW AND CULTURAL RESOURCES FIELD SURVEY FOR THE PROPOSED THOMPSON FALLS INTERCONNECTION TRANSMISSION LINE, SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA	SA 6 34056	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 7
BOWERS	MARTHA, ET AL.	1/8/1982	AN EVALUATION OF THE HISTORIC AND PREHISTORIC CULTURAL RESOURCES IN THE THOMPSON FALLS, RYAN AND HAUSER DAM AREA, CENTRAL AND WESTERN MONTANA	SA 6 9493	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 8
WYSS	MARILYN J., ET AL.	6/20/1991	THOMPSON FALLS - EAST	SA 4 12809	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 8
GRANT	DAVID	11/30/1994	FIBER OPTIC LINE PORT OF PIEGAN, ALBERTA TO THOMPSON FALLS; CONSTRUCTION MONITORING REPORT	ZZ 6 16637	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 8
ROSSILLON	MITZI	3/16/1995	THOMPSON FALLS ISLAND, THOMPSON FALLS HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT	SA 6 16983	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 8
LEWARCH	DENNIS E., ET AL.	11/19/1993	MONTANA-CANADA FIBER OPTIC LINE GLACIER, FLATHEAD, AND SANDERS COUNTIES, MONTANA	ZZ 6 18787	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 8
DICKERSON	KEN	5/6/2008	THOMPSON FALLS HYDROELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED FISH LADDER PROJECT, SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA: CULTURAL RESOURCE INVENTORY AND EVALUATION	SA 6 30347	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 8
HERBEL	BRIAN	10/1/2012	LITERATURE REVIEW AND CULTURAL RESOURCES FIELD SURVEY FOR THE PROPOSED THOMPSON FALLS INTERCONNECTION TRANSMISSION LINE, SANDERS COUNTY, MONTANA	SA 6 34056	Township:21 N Range:29 W Section: 8

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## FILE SEARCH INVOICE

DATE: 23-Oct-17

SHPO Invoice #: 2017102306

**Bill To:**

**Contact Name:** Mike Brodie

**Organization:** WGM Group

**Address:** 431 1<sup>st</sup> Ave West

**City/State/Zip:** Kalispell MT 59901

### File Search Fee Structure

\$25 / Section

**For questions contact:**

**Damon Murdo**

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406-444-7767

**Total Cost:**

**\$50.00**

Project Name:

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PROJECT, THOMPSON FALLS

**Total sections searched for SHPO Project #: 2017102306**

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