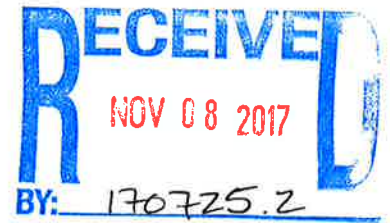




REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, OMAHA DISTRICT
HELENA REGULATORY OFFICE
10 WEST 15TH STREET, SUITE 2200
HELENA, MONTANA 59626



November 6, 2017

Regulatory Branch
Montana State Program
Corps No. **NWO-2017-01983-MTH**

Subject: City of Thompson Falls (WGM Group) - Park Development - (Sanders County)

Mike Brodie
WGM Group Inc.
431 1st Ave. West
Kalispell, Montana 59901

Dear Mr. Brodie:

We are responding to your request for comments regarding the above-referenced project. Specifically, you are proposing to develop a currently vacant city owned lot into a new park. The project is located within Latitude 47.595789°, Longitude -115.355022°, Section 7, Township 21 N, Range 29 W, Sanders County, Montana.

This project has been reviewed in accordance with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Under the authority of Section 404, Department of the Army (DA) permits are required for the discharge of fill material into waters of the U.S. Waters of the U.S. include the area below the ordinary high water mark of stream channels and lakes or ponds connected to the tributary system, and wetlands adjacent to these waters. Isolated waters and wetlands, as well as man-made channels, may be waters of the U.S. in certain circumstances, which must be determined on a case-by-case basis. Based on the information provided, a Department of the Army permit will not be required for this activity

Based on the information you have provided on October 26, 2017, the proposed work will not result in the discharge of dredged or fill material within waters of the United States and does not involve work in, over or under navigable waters of the United States. Therefore, a DA permit is not required for this work. Measures should be taken to prevent construction materials and/or activities from entering any waters of the United States. Appropriate soil erosion and sediment controls should be implemented onsite to achieve this end.

Although a Department of the Army permit will not be required for this activity, this does not eliminate the requirements that other applicable federal, state, tribal, and local permits are obtained if needed. Please be advised that deviations from the original plans and specifications of this project could require additional authorization from this office.

Please refer to identification number NWO-2017-01983-MTH in any correspondence concerning this project. If you have any questions, please contact Dylan Hickey by email at *Dylan.J.Hickey@usace.army.mil*, or telephone at (406) 441-1364.

Sincerely,

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