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Dear Interested Party:

In July of 2005, the State Board of Land Commissioners approved a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) Real Estate Management Programmatic Final Environmental Impact Statement. An important component of the ROD was public participation in the process that the Real Estate Management Bureau uses to identify real estate projects on Trust lands. As a part of this public outreach, the Real Estate Management Bureau, in conjunction with the Southwestern Land Office, will be conducting a public meeting in Missoula to discuss the ROD and its implications on Real Estate activity on Trust lands located in the DNRC Southwestern Land Office. The Southwestern Land Office manages Trust land in Missoula, Mineral, Ravalli, Granite, Powell, Deerlodge, Silverbow, and a small portion of Lewis and Clark Counties.

At this meeting members of the DNRC Real Estate Management Bureau (REMB) will be on hand to present information on various aspects of the ROD and FEIS. Additionally, there will be an open house on the real estate projects that are currently taking place within the Southwestern Land Office and to also identify Trust lands that may have potential for development in the future. This meeting is part of a series of meetings that the REMB is conducting throughout the state to discuss the ROD.

The meeting in Missoula will be held on **Wednesday, 23 May 2007 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the DNRC Southwestern Land Office Conference Room, 1401 27th Avenue, Building B in Missoula.**

If you have questions regarding this meeting or other Trust land issues, please feel free to contact me at lmullins@mt.gov or 542-4345. Additionally, a copy of the FEIS and ROD can be found online at http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/trust/programmatic/default.asp

Sincerely,

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