

Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in a Floodplain and/or Wetland

To: All interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

This is to give notice that Jefferson County under 24 CFR Part 58 has determined that the following proposed action under the Community Development Block Grant contract MT-CDBG-19PF-06 is located in the floodplain/wetland, and Jefferson County will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action within the floodplain/wetland and the potential impacts on the floodplain/wetland from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988 and/or Executive Order 11990 in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 in Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands. The proposed project will take place in Clancy, Jefferson County, and will span several key areas, including S 1st Street, Clancy Creek Rd, E Clancy St, N Main St., S Main St., Cutoff Rd., and Legal Tender Ln. The primary goal of this initiative is to establish a reliable water system for Clancy. This will be achieved through the drilling of two new water wells for Phase 1 of the project. Phase 2 of the project includes the construction of a wellhouse with chlorine disinfection, a new water storage tank, a transmission main, and the development of a comprehensive water distribution system, including the installation of water meters. Please reference the attached maps for the location of this project.

Jefferson County is collaborating with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) to create updated floodplain maps that reflect a 1% annual chance (100-year) flood risk. The project not only aims to update all existing mapped floodplains in the county but also to generate new floodplain maps for parts of Prickly Pear Creek and its tributaries in the northern region of the county. These updated maps are anticipated to be finalized in late 2026 or early 2027.

Approximately 16,000 linear feet of water lines and services will be installed in Clancy along the specified locations. The project may impact about 0.35 acres of floodplain and wetland areas. The extent of the draft FFRMS floodplain was determined using a 0.1% (100-year) and 0.2% (500-year) floodplain approach. The wetlands affected include Riverine and Freshwater Emergent Wetlands. However, these wetland areas do not provide significant natural or beneficial functions and do not offer intrinsic values. Overall, the floodplain and wetland areas are not expected to experience any adverse effects from this project.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplain/wetland and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplain/wetland, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate project impacts on the floodplain. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplain/wetland can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains/wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by Jefferson County at the following address on or before March 23rd, 2026. Jefferson County, PO Box H, Boulder, MT 59632 and (406) 225-4020, Attention: Cory Kirsch, Commissioner. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00

p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 102 S. Monroe St., Boulder, MT 59632, and at the website clancyinfrastructure.com. Comments may also be submitted via email at ckirsch@jerffersoncounty-mt.gov or klittle@greatwesteng.com.

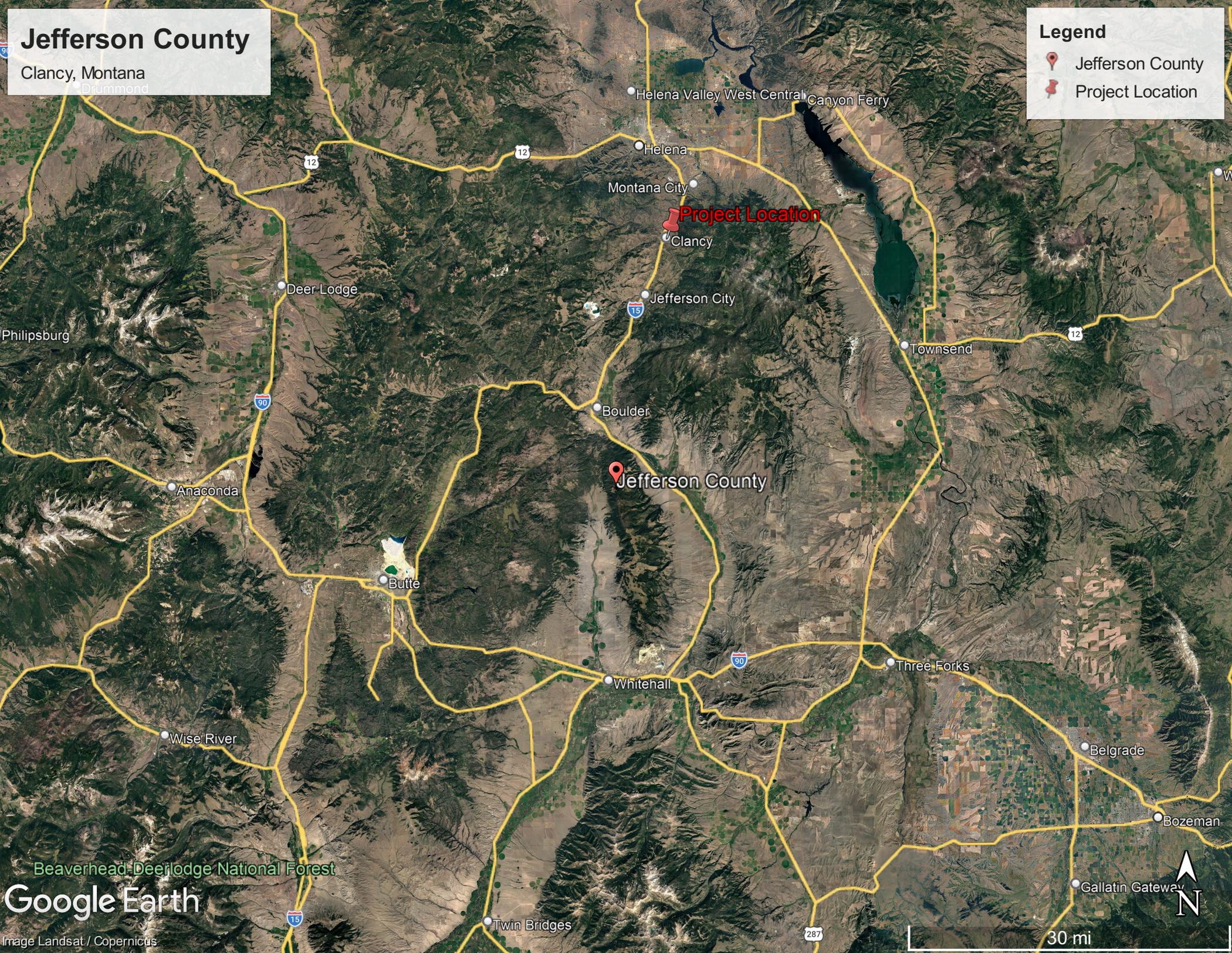
Date: March 12th, 2026

Jefferson County

Clancy, Montana
Drummond

Legend

-  Jefferson County
-  Project Location



Jefferson County

Project Location



Current Floodplain Map

[DNRC Montana Draft Mapping \(website link\)](#)



MONTANA FLOOD RISK MAP VIEWER

Montana DNRC Floodplain Mapping Program

Montana DNRC Floodplain Mapping Projects



This section ONLY reflects the current FEMA floodplain mapping from the official FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM). The official FEMA maps and other flood hazard products are available from the FEMA Map Service Center online at: <http://www.msc.fema.gov>

Effective Cross Sections

Effective Base Flood Elevation

Boundaries - County

Gallatin County

Jefferson County

Missoula-Granite

Powell County

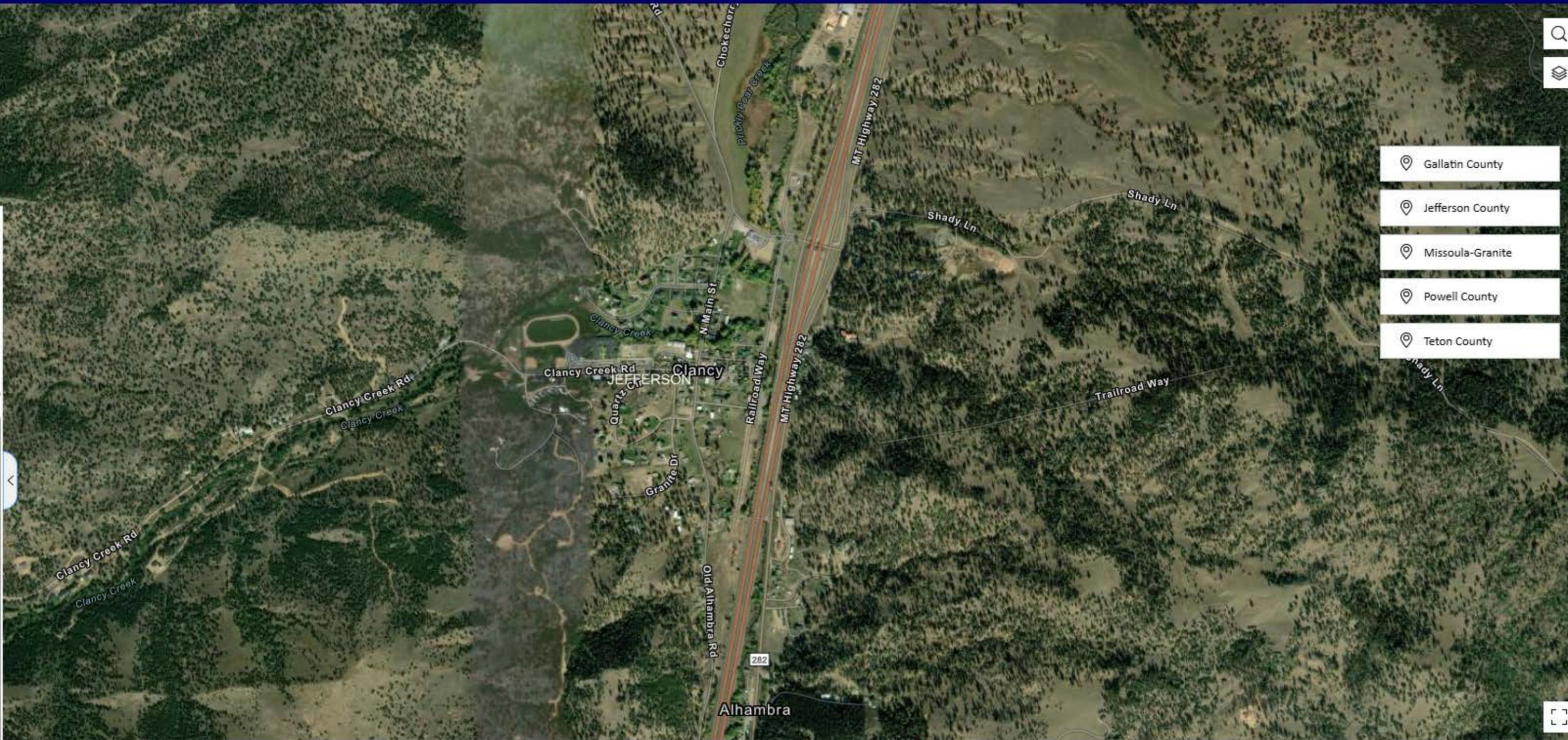
Teton County

Effective Special Flood Hazard Area

100-Year Floodplain (1% Annual Chance)

Floodway

Zone X



- Draft Mapping
- Effective Mapping**
- Floodplain Changes
- Floodway Changes
- Estimated Ground Elevation for Buildings
- Flood Depth
- Historic Flooding

Montana DNRC Draft Floodplain Map

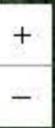
[DNRC Montana Effective Mapping \(website link\)](#)



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Draft/Preliminary Floodplain Mapping
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 To navigate, use a mouse or the (+) and (-) signs.

The flood hazard information in this section is currently a **draft/preliminary** product. The draft/preliminary floodplain designations are undergoing public review and are based on updated flood study information.

Draft Cross Sections

Draft Base Flood Elevation

Boundaries - County



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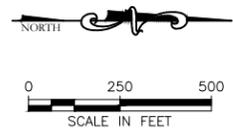


Project Location and Floodplain

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LEGEND		
PROJECT LOCATIONS		
100-YEAR IMPACT		0.20 ACRES
ZONE X IMPACT		0.15 ACRES
100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN		
ZONE X		



Clancy Water System Improvements Phase 1 & Phase 2

CLANCY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT
WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

Project Location and Wetlands

