



Proposed Solutions

TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES WE PROPOSE TO:

1. Reduce New Emissions to Help Protect Current Users

- ⇒ REQUIRE that all new installations of wood stoves be EPA certified cleaner burning devices or approved alternate devices.
- ⇒ REQUIRE a moratorium on building new fireplaces because these produce a lot of emissions without providing much heat.
- ⇒ REQUIRE boilers with over 1 Million BTU heat input to meet minimum emissions standards.

2. Reduce Emissions on Bad Air Days

- ⇒ REQUIRE Burners to use an Alternative Source of Heat in Impact Zone M on the worst air days (if they have another source of heat.)

3. Have Existing Stoves Burn Cleanly

- ⇒ REQUIRE maximum 40% opacity for wood burning devices, except during start-up.
- ⇒ RECOMMEND clean operation of existing stoves. Inform stove owners on the best ways to operate their existing stoves to increase heat output and reduce emissions.

**If Missoula County exceeds the PM_{2.5} standard,
we will be required by the
EPA/Federal Government to take action.**

**The choice is not IF we try to solve the PM 2.5
problem but HOW we try to do so.**

