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To: Mamie Colburn

Subject: Woodstove Regulations

Ms. Coburn,

I am attaching an email you wrote in response to a private citizen regarding the proposed new regulations for using woodstoves.

It simply amazes me that Missoula County, while purporting to be a "green community" with all its new laws and restrictions, continues to allow untethered development of new condominiums, apartments, high density housing. Cases in point, the development currently under construction at the intersection of Russell and Broadway and the threat to develop the UM Golf Course. Does no one in Missoula understand that for every new home, be it an apartment, condo, or single family, built in Missoula, 2 to 3 cars move in to the community? How can you be so concerned about air quality yet continue to cram as many people as possible into the county?

This proposed regulation is unfair to rural citizens, and does not take into consideration the thousands of Missoula County residents who rely on wood stoves to heat their homes. Instead of worrying about how the existing homes are heated, how about working on arresting the uncontrolled growth of Missoula?

Yours very truly,

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