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## **MISSOULA COUNTY TO HOST MEETING FOR RESIDENTS AFFECTED BY FLOOD WATER**

Missoula County Commissioners, County officials, several State and Federal agencies, and local utilities will hold a meeting on Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in room 201 of the Missoula County Courthouse Annex to provide information and answer questions related to the flood event this spring. County elected officials and staff will discuss sandbag removal procedures, answer questions about public infrastructure, and discuss impacts of future development in the floodplain.

State Department of Emergency Services (DES) staff will provide information about the Disaster Mitigation Grant Program. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) personnel will discuss the National Flood Insurance Program. Missoula Conservation District and Natural Resources Conservation Service staff will be on hand to answer questions and provide additional information as needed.

“We wanted to bring residents affected by flooding together and offer them information that is usually provided in different offices and by different levels of government,” says County Commissioner Jean Curtiss. “These residents have been through so much this year. We wanted to bring this broad group of officials together so residents have easier access to these resources.”

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