

**September 18-19, 2013**

**ITEM 160-2008-R0913**

**Lewis Hall Rooms 307 & 407 Renovations; Montana State University - Bozeman**

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**THAT**

Consistent with the provisions of Board of Regents Policy 1003.7, the Board of Regents of Higher Education authorizes Montana State University to renovate the lab/classrooms, 307 and 407, of Lewis Hall on the MSU Bozeman campus. This authorization is for a total of \$230,000.

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**EXPLANATION**

1. Originally constructed in 1923, Lewis Hall has not been significantly updated or modernized to accommodate current academic and research programs. Renovation and expansion to accommodate the Ecology program is necessary in support of the University mission.
  2. In meeting the educational, social and cultural expectations of the changing student demographic, the university is committed to capital renewal investments that modernizes and improves its academic facilities.
  3. Modern teaching environments are critical to establishing opportunities to engage students, faculty, as well as promote recruitment and retention.
  4. The renovation will update lab/classrooms for the Ecology Department located in Lewis Hall. The project will modernize and enhance the existing Ecology Lab/Classrooms in rooms 307 & 407 of Lewis Hall.
  5. This work will be funded with Current Unrestricted Funds.
  6. MSU assures that no new or additional state funds will be requested for operations and maintenance of this existing facility as a result of this project.
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**Board of Regents Policy - Physical Plant B Section 1003.7:**

This authority request is for an amount greater than \$150,000, which requires the following additional information.

**(a) Project Description:** This authority request includes the following project elements:

The project scope of work includes upgrades and renovation of the lab classrooms 307 & 407 of Lewis Hall. This includes but is not limited to flooring upgrades, wall and ceiling improvements, space reconfiguration to accommodate an increase in storage, lighting upgrades, plumbing upgrades, electrical upgrades, new electronic displays & equipment, and new flexible furnishings including tables and chairs that promote collaborative work environments.

**(b) Cost Estimates and Funding Sources:**

Estimated Cost: the project will not exceed \$230,000.

Construction:	\$ 110,000
Design Fees:	\$ 30,000
Technology:	\$ 30,000
Furnishings:	\$ 50,000
<u>Contingency:</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>
Total	\$ 230,000

Funding Sources: This work will be funded with Current Unrestricted Funds.

**(c) Programs Served, Enrollment Data, Projected Enrollments:**

The renovated lab/classrooms will serve the Ecology department with an enrollment of approximately 300 undergraduates and 50 graduate Students.

**(d) Space Utilization Data:**

This renovation project renovates existing space within the facility and will not appreciably change the utilization of the existing spaces.

**(e) Projected use for available residual space:**

(Not Applicable to this project)

**(f) Projected O&M Costs and proposed funding sources:**

Historic O&M costs are not expected to be significantly impacted by this renovation project, since facilities will not be expanded.