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## ITEM 209-2005-R1123

# Request for Authorization to Grant a Utility Easement for the State Combined Lab; Montana State University

### **THAT**

Consistent with BOR Policy 1003.6, the Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes Montana State University to grant a utility easement to the City of Bozeman for the State Combined Lab located on MSU property.

### **EXPLANATION**

- 1. The State Combined Lab includes MSU's Wool Lab, the State Vet Diagnostic Lab, and the Montana Department of Agriculture Analytical Laboratory.
- 2. The easement allows water, sewer and stormwater utilities to be provided to the laboratory site in addition to other utilities as requested by providers such as Northwester Energy and Communications.
- 3. This request and the associated easement do not grant rights of way.
- 4. The easement benefits MSU and satisfies the requirements in BOR Policy 1003.6 by providing utility connections to service the jointly operated lab facility that will benefit all agricultural, ranching, farming and other industries that utilize the services provided by the three combined lab functions.
- 5. No state funds are requested as part of this easement.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment #1: Easement Exhibit