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From: Amy Knight <aknight@montana.com>
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To: Commissioners
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Dear Commissioners

I am not in favor of combining the Planning office with the Environmental Health Department. The skill set is quite different. The environmental health department is based on science, thus far the vast majority of you commissioners have no background in science nor would Terry Nelson. Think about the impact this would mean in terms of stream setbacks, ground water, etc.

If you have learned nothing about your decisions thus far when it comes to the road department, the public health department, the planning department, the justice department or the treasure department; this would be another mistake. I actually think you should not make any more decisions. You have essentially ruined the county by your mismanagement. We, the citizens of Ravalli County, are bearing the brunt of your ill-advised recommendations and decisions. Your intentions may have been for the best but the outcome has been disastrous. We are paying for an attorney and a treasurer who don't work for the county. Multiple lawsuits as a result of some of your decisions. Please, please, please stop and think about what this last recommendation will do. And simply don't do it.

Thank you
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