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## Commissioners

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**From:** Amy Monteith <monteithamy@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 11, 2014 12:16 PM  
**To:** Commissioners  
**Subject:** Hire the qualified candidate for County Sanitarian

Dear Ravalli County Commissioners,

It has come to my attention that you are considering hiring Terry Nelson, an unqualified candidate and political ally, to run the Sanitarian's office. Three qualified candidates from the Sanitarian's office applied for the job and you want to choose Nelson? This sounds like an absolute repeat of the mess you made when you hired the unqualified Valerie Stamey over three qualified candidates. Clean water in the Bitterroot Valley is a number one priority. We need QUALIFIED people to run the Sanitarian's office (we need qualified people in all of our county positions). Please do what is right, as an elected leader, make the right choice and hire qualified candidate to be a steward of our clean water and lands. Putting another unqualified person in this important county position is the WRONG choice. Water is a critical resource in the Bitterroot Valley and we can't afford to have this position held by someone who is not qualified. Your reckless decision to put the wrong person in the treasurer's office has cost the county more than \$50,000 and counting, and caused huge inconveniences to the many who rely on a professionally run treasurer's office. Don't make the same mistake again!

Sincerely,

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