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Hello

My name is Bret Taggart. My wife and I own property located along the BR River, which is located within the floodplain.

I want to thank you, the Board of County Commissioners, for standing up for property rights.

I appreciate that these regulations still provide for public health and safety and protect other upstream and downstream land owners, while also allowing owners to use their property.

In closing, I would like to read the Republic Party Platform for property rights:

We believe that governmental units should protect individual rights associated with property ownership that guarantee a property owner's ability to use property as the owner wishes, as long as he or she causes no harm. We support prohibiting the state of Montana and its political subdivisions from adopting and developing environmental and developmental policies that, without due process, would infringe or restrict the private property rights of the property owner(s).

Thank you

