

Chris Taggart

From: Greg Chilcott
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2015 8:41 AM
To: Chris Taggart
Subject: FW: Building in the flood fringe a bad idea.

Please include this email in the public comment/correspondence file for the floodplain regulation revision.

From: Chris Linkenhoker [mailto:clinkenhok@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2015 3:48 PM
To: Ravalli County Commissioners Office
Subject: Fw: Building in the flood fringe a bad idea.

Chris A. Linkenhoker

On Sunday, January 11, 2015 3:43 PM, Chris Linkenhoker <clinkenhok@yahoo.com> wrote:

Please enter my comments into the record for tomorrow's meeting. It is Sunday, January 11, 3:40 pm.

I've lived in the Bitterroot Valley for 23 years. Like many, I used to float the river with my children. The three of us, plus others, nearly lost our lives twice, when we came upon unexpected log/debris dams. How many people have lost their lives on the Bitterroot River over the last 3 decades? The answer is many.

My home is in the flood fringe and I wish it wasn't. Last spring's flooding was very scary. It damaged Catherine lane and could have destroyed it. I have another debris dam just west of my home and it's going to cost at least \$1,000 to have it cleared. It is very unwise to allow home construction in the flood fringe. You're asking for nothing but trouble. With our increasing changes in weather, a serious flood event could take out many of the homes currently in the floodplain.

Please change your position and leave the floodplain regulations that have served us all very well for many years, intact.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Chris A. Linkenhoker