

## Chris Taggart

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**From:** Greg Chilcott  
**Sent:** Monday, January 12, 2015 8:37 AM  
**To:** Chris Taggart  
**Subject:** FW: Flood fringe

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

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**From:** Nancy Oesau [mailto:nancyoesau@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 12, 2015 7:29 AM  
**To:** Ravalli County Commissioners Office  
**Subject:** Flood fringe

We may need to update the county regulations regarding the "flood fringe" (tighten them, possibly), but not open the floodplain to development! No agency, FEMA included, require any changes. The relaxation of regulations Will Not offer any greater protection, as Mr. Chilcott erroneously stated. Quite the contrary: Once development is allowed in the floodplain or "flood fringe", it will destroy FOREVER, one of the greatest assets and visitor draws of the Bitterroot Valley; our river ! The aesthetic lifeblood of the

Bitterroot will be gone, Forever, with no possibility to go back to stricter regs once the county is embroiled in lawsuits from flood damage.

Facts don't seem to matter to you? you have heard hours of testimony on the results of what new regs will do, and you don't listen. Your minds were made up or you were paid off before this started! The decision is about the river and what the MAJORITY of your constituents want ,not just a few wealthy property owners want.

You are hired by us the taxpayers, and should not be beholden to a few developers!  
I planned to be there ,again , today , but an "emergency" prevented me .

Nancy Oesau  
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