

Ravalli County Commissioners Office

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Mis-typed you email JR.

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I was unable to attend Weds. meeting but as I said in my previous email and in phone messages to several of you. I urge you to go slow and thoughtfully in making any changes to existing protection for the flood fringe. As I understand it you can accept the FEMA maps without changing the current flood plain/ fringe protections.

Why do that?

- 1) The best science leads you there (ref. recent MS thesis Jeff is familiar with)
- 2) Overwhelming public comment in favor of leaving the protections. If you are not listening to the public the public has a right to ask: Who are you listening to?
- 3) Writing subjective criteria could open the County to more legal challenges in the future
- 4) The Bitterroot River like the mountain ranges that surround it define the Bitterroot Valley, don't treat it carelessly.

I do plan to attend the Monday meeting and look forward to a more considered responsive result.

Sincerely, Dave Campbell

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