

Glenda Wiles

From: Glenda Wiles on behalf of Ravalli County Commissioners Office
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 3:16 PM
To: Jeff Burrows; Ravalli County Commissioners Office; Chris A. Hoffman
Subject: RE: Area VII Agency on Aging Designation Letter

I talked to Paul and yes he wants it to stay ~~as~~ ^{AS IS}, so we take Option #1 and DO NOTHING. Glenda

From: Jeff Burrows
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 2:20 PM
To: Ravalli County Commissioners Office <commissioners@rc.mt.gov>; Chris A. Hoffman <CAHoffman@rc.mt.gov>
Subject: RE: Area VII Agency on Aging Designation Letter

I believe we did this a few years ago and opted to retain our area of service. We should check with Paul, but I would imagine he will choose option #1.

Jeff

From: Glenda Wiles On Behalf Of Ravalli County Commissioners Office
Sent: Monday, November 26, 2018 11:29 AM
To: Jeff Burrows <jburrows@rc.mt.gov>; Chris A. Hoffman <CAHoffman@rc.mt.gov>
Subject: FW: Area VII Agency on Aging Designation Letter

Does R. Co need to do anything about this email? Glenda

From: Haab-Fiedler, Freddi [<mailto:FHaab-Fiedler@mt.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 9:19 AM
To: bcc@missoulacounty.us; Ravalli County Commissioners Office <commissioners@rc.mt.gov>
Subject: Area VII Agency on Aging Designation Letter

Please find attached the designation letter for the 2020-2022 state plan for the Aging Bureau. There is contact information in the letter if you have questions.

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Steve Bullock, Governor

Sheila Hogan, Director

November 20, 2018

County Commissioners

RE: Montana's State Aging Plan Re-designation

Dear Commissioners:

The Department of Public Health and Human Services is required, under **Section 52-3-405** of the Montana Code Annotated, to re-designate the planning and services areas it utilizes for services to the aged. This process coincides with the current three-year planning process and requires us to inform each County's Commissioners and each Reservation's Tribal Council of options they have and to request written response unless they are going to remain in the current planning and service area (PSA).

This part of the planning process must be completed by January 31, 2019 in order for the Area Agencies on Aging to have their plans drafted and completed by March 15, 2019.

Currently, there are ten Planning and Service Areas served by ten Area Agencies on Aging (AAA). Your county is served by Area VII Agency on Aging located in Missoula, Montana and the Area VII Agency on Aging Director is Susan Kohler.

The following are the options you may consider in this re-designation process for the fiscal years 2020 through 2022:

Option #1. You may retain Area VII Agency on Aging by simply doing nothing.

Option #2. You may request to be placed in another existing Planning and Service Area, which geographically borders your County, and choose to have the agency which is serving as the Area Agency on Aging for that Planning and Service Area designated as your Area Agency on Aging.

Option #3. You may request to retain the current Planning and Service Area but would like the Department to consider a new agency or organization to serve as the Area Agency on Aging.

Option #4. You may request to have your County designated as a Planning and Service Area and select an agency or organization to be considered as the Area Agency for the Planning and Service Area. Currently, there are ten agencies designated by the Office on Aging in the Department of Public Health and Human Services' Senior and Long-Term Care Division to serve as Area Agencies on Aging. State law allows for up to twelve Area Agencies on Aging.

Written responses, for any of the Options selected, need to include the rationale as to the County Commissioner's reasons for changing and your recommendation regarding the agency you would like to serve as their Area Agency on Aging for the next three-year plan period which covers Federal Fiscal Years 2020 to 2022.

There is more specific information available on our website including the qualifications and financial obligation an agency must meet in order to be designated as an Area Agency on Aging. Our website address is <http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/sltc/aging> and look under "What's New".

If you have any questions, please contact Kerrie Reidelbach with the Aging Services Bureau at kreidelbach@mt.gov or call him at 1-800-332-2272 or 406-444-4077.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Barbara S. Smith', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Barbara S. Smith
Administrator