

RESOLUTION 09-18797

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS CALLING FOR AN EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROPOSED FEDERAL STIMULUS PACKAGE AS PART OF THE ONGOING INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT IN MONTANA.

WHEREAS, the City of Billings in coordination with the Montana League of Cities and Towns are requesting Federal funding from the proposed Stimulus Package be equitably distributed to the local communities.

WHEREAS, infrastructure and capital projects have been carefully reviewed to ensure they would provide immediate stimulus and benefit the residents of the City of Billings and Montana.

WHEREAS, the City of Billings is requesting the following projects be recommended for funding in the Federal Stimulus Package infrastructure program.

**Projects ready to bid in 120 days:**

**Transit:**

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| Para-transit Vans Replacement - \$200,000 | Purchase 2 new Para-transit Vans |
| Bus Replacement - \$700,000               | Purchase 2 new Bus Coaches       |
| CCTV for Buses- \$153,500                 | Install CCTV on MET Buses        |
| Bus Wash Renovations - \$315,000          | Renovate 1983 facility           |

**Airport:**

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| Runway Sweeper - \$540,000  | New 20' Sweeper for Snow removal.    |
| Rehabilitate Taxiway 'A' East - \$1,500,000                                   | Replaces Asphalt Surface on Taxiway. |
| Taxiway 'A' Obstruction Removal and Realignment/Reconstruction - \$4,000,000. |                                      |

**PRPL:**

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| Wading Pool Replacements              | 3 Spray grounds | \$1,050,000  |
| Rose Park Pool Renovations            |                 | \$ 360,000   |
| Irrigation System Upgrades            | Cemetery        | \$ 1,595,000 |
| Road Paving                           | Cemetery        | \$ 647,000   |
| Playground Accessibility Improvements |                 | \$ 910,000   |

**Public Works:**

**Water/Wastewater:**

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| Zone 4 Reservoir                       | \$6.5 million  |
| Water & Wastewater Pipe Rehabilitation | \$12.0 million |
| Water Treatment Plant Backup Power     | \$1.2 million  |
| Water Treatment Plant SCADA Upgrade    | \$0.6 million  |

**Storm water:**

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| Nutter & BBWA to Hilltop Storm water Improvements | \$5.5 million |
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| Midland Road Improvements                            | \$1.5 million |
| East End Industrial (3 <sup>rd</sup> to Yegen Drain) | \$4.5 million |

Roadway:

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| Alkali Creek Road Stabilization           | \$4.8 million |
| Pavement Overlay & Rehabilitation Project | \$4.4 million |
| Polly Drive & Zimmerman Traffic Signal    | \$0.5 million |

**Ready 6 – 9 Months**

Storm water:

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| Sharptail Pond at Hogan Slough Confluence | \$4.0 million |
| Hogan Slough and Suburban Ditch Upgrade   | \$3.2 million |

Landfill:

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| Hazardous Waste Storage Facility | \$0.6 million |
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Roadways:

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| Rimrock Road (17 <sup>th</sup> to Shiloh)   | \$6.2 million |
| Central Avenue (32 <sup>nd</sup> to Shiloh) | \$5.1 million |

Water:

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| Zone 3 Reservoir | \$3.5 million |
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**Ready 12- 18 Months**

**Fire Department:**

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| Fire Training Center | \$12,000,000 |
| Communication Center | \$ 4,000,000 |

**Public Works:**

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| Inner Belt Loop 6.5 miles of Arterial Roadway | \$12,000,000 |
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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS MONTANA AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Council requests the aforementioned projects be considered for inclusion in the Federal Stimulus Package. Funding for the projects would be distributed to the local government.

APPROVED AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Billings this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2009.



ATTEST:

BY: Cari Martin  
Cari Martin, City Clerk

THE CITY OF BILLINGS:

By: Ed Ulledalen  
Ed Ulledalen, Deputy Mayor

# The Jobs Bill

## The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

### **QUICK FACTS:**

- Invests \$789 billion to help rebuild America's economy:
  - \$285 billion in tax breaks (business, individual, energy)
  - \$311 billion in discretionary spending (infrastructure, education)
  - \$193 billion in mandatory spending (health care, unemployment insurance)
- Will create or save 3.5 million jobs nationwide by the end of 2010 (11,100 jobs in Montana)
- There are no earmarks in this bill

### **TOTAL MONTANA FUNDING: \$625,913,635**

- Montana highway funding: \$211,793,391
- Montana transit formula funding: \$15,611,710
- Montana Stabilization Fund (assists states and local governments for education, public safety and other needs): \$121,371,174
- Montana water systems: \$39,188,800
- Montana Head Start and education for the disadvantaged: \$46,094,661
- U.S. Department of Education funding for Montana: \$38,588,400
- Montana education technology: \$4,839,000
- Montana energy and weatherization programs: \$52,747,681
- Housing in Montana: \$18,645,064
- Montana Child Care and Development block grants: \$5,747,006
- Montana Community Services Block Grants: \$4,544,915
- Montana food and shelter assistance: \$51,228,591
- Montana's drug task forces and other community justice funding: \$6,645,076
- U.S. Department of Labor grants for Montana: \$8,868,166

### **NATIONAL FUNDING AFFECTING MONTANA**

- Bureau of Reclamation (Water and Environmental infrastructure): \$1 billion
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: \$4.6 billion
- National Park Service: \$750 million
- U.S. Forest Service: \$1.15 billion (includes \$500 million for wildfire management)
- Indian Country: \$2.5 billion for tribal projects
  - \$450 million for BIA Construction projects
  - \$415 million for Indian Health Facilities
  - \$510 million for Indian Housing Block Grants
  - \$245 million for Tribal Law Enforcement programs
  - \$310 million for Indian Reservation Roads (transportation)
  - \$2.4 billion in tribal taxation/tax incentive authority
- Veterans Administration facilities: \$1.2 billion

### **TAX BREAKS AND DIRECT SPENDING**

- 95 percent of Americans will receive a tax cut from the Jobs Bill. The bill includes:
  - The "Making Work Pay" tax credit (\$400 per individual, \$800 per couple)
  - A one-time payment of \$250 in the pockets of retired and disabled Montanans on Social Security, Railroad Retirement and Veterans Disability.
  - A temporary tax hold on some unemployment benefits, to help unemployment checks stretch further.
  - A new "American Opportunity" tax credit of up to \$2,500 to help Montanans pay for college.
- The Jobs Bill also includes an additional \$170 million for Medicaid funding in Montana

