

**GOVERNOR STEVE BULLOCK  
STATE OF MONTANA**

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**Governor Bullock Awards \$1.52 Million in Grants to Coal Impacted Communities**

HELENA – Governor Bullock announced \$1.52 million of grant money through the Montana Department of Commerce to help coal impacted communities. The money will assist local governments in addressing the impacts of development on community infrastructure. The awards were approved by the Coal Board at its meeting in Billings in June.

“This money will go directly to help address the growth arising from coal development in these communities,” Governor Bullock said. “We have the opportunity to provide major improvements in our schools, fire departments and hospitals, as well as ensure we have clean drinking water and safe roads.”

The money will be used for infrastructure projects in the following communities:

- Yellowstone County Road Repair, \$250,000
- Northern Cheyenne Tribe Water Systems Repair, \$9,000
- Town of Broadus Flood Plain Study, \$15,900
- Town of Hysham Water System Repair, \$40,000
- Town of Melstone Swimming Pool Improvements, \$48,000
- Musselshell Water and Sewer System District Water System Improvements, \$90,000
- Big Horn County Medical Equipment Replacement, \$70,000
- Big Horn County Plenty Coups High School Energy Efficiency Improvements, \$75,000
- Musselshell County Fattig Creek Road Extension, \$41,000
- Musselshell County Fire Response Vehicle, \$270,000
- Musselshell County Multipurpose Building, \$20,000
- Roundup Public Schools K-6 Investment, \$500,000
- Savage Sewer District Water Project, \$100,000

The Coal Board consists of seven members appointed by the Governor. The Board reviews applications and awards coal severance tax dollars to projects in designated coal-impacted areas. The Board’s grants are administered by the Community Development Division of the Montana Department of Commerce. For more information on the awards, visit:

<http://comdev.mt.gov/COAL/default.mcp.x>.

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