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Subject: Open Space Bond

I would like the Missoula County Commissioners to know that I heartily endorse the new Open Space Bond and wish to see the lands around Missoula protected and maintained for the long-term. The value of these open lands to the community is immeasurable. Just yesterday my wife and I hiked he Barmeyer Trail and marveled at the beauty of our valley. We were hardly alone as dozens of other families were hiking as well, all of them with smiles on their faces. We are property owners in town, and we find the increase in taxes to be quite modest. We are more than willing to pay our share for this bond for the enormous benefits it will provide us. Thank you.

James Burchfield Missoula, Montana