



## Blaine County

### Land Use & Building Services Memo

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**Date:** May 10, 2023  
**To:** File  
**From:** Kristine Hilt  
**Subject:** Emergency Stream Alteration Permit

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**Monday May 10, 2023**

Emergency Meeting called to order at 12:00 pm  
(BCC Declared Flooding Emergency on 5/4/23)

**Notice:** None

**Present:** Muffy Davis, Lindsay Mollineaux, Kristine Hilt, Jeff Loomis (County Engineer), Jake Gage, Zach Latham, Adrien Briciu (Caretaker)

**Address:** Tax Lot 8118 T4N R18E SEC 19 adjacent to Meadow Circle Bridge (John's Meadow Sub)

**Owner:** SV Family Properties

**Consultant:** Brockway Engineering (Zach Latham)

**Contractor:** Jake Gage

**Observations:** Bank was observed to be eroding river right, western bank, of the BWR approximately 220 feet downstream of the Meadow Circle Bridge and also immediately upstream of the bridge on the western bridge abutment. A large conifer had half of its root mass exposed by way of erosion.

**Proposal:** Access work sites was from Meadow Circle Drive. An excavator was proposed and large angular rock (24"+) was proposed to place directly on the eroding bank in both locations. Scour depth and placement was not proposed. Grading of the bank and removal of vegetation was also not proposed. The applicant stated that they simply wanted to place rock along the bank to prevent further erosion.

**Discussion:** Discussion included a no action approach and alternatives considered. The applicant stated that the property owner wanted to try and save the conifer and prevent further bank loss. The Board discussed the necessity to ensure that the "normal" SAP complied with all applicable plat notes and regulations, at which time, the Board could consider possible removal and/or reconfiguration of the lower bank stabilization work. Both treatment areas would require follow-up permitting and further design/construction after the emergency has passed.

**LM moved to approve both proposals stating that the proposed treatments seemed minimal in nature and no adverse impacts to adjacent or downstream neighbors was identified. MD seconded and the motion carried 2-0. McCleary absent.**

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