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Happy Holidays!

The Russell/South 3rd Project Team has made good progress over the past few weeks. We have received the full set of drawings for each of the alternatives developed by the previous consultant, and we will be able to dig into that information after the first of the year. We have also been polishing up Chapters 1 and 2 of the document and should be able to review those changes with the Montana Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration in early January as well.

We met with with Missoula Advocates for Sustainable Transportation last Friday and had a spirited discussion about the National Environmental Policy Act process and the current Preferred Alternative. They expressed a desire to see more of the comments we have received on the project. I will be providing a summary of comments received to date, after the first of the year and follow-up with additional comments through the remainder of the project. It is our intent to reach as many citizens as possible with regard to this project.

Thank you for your interest in the project!

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