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#### **INFORMATION ITEM**

# Campus - Summer 2013 Small Classroom Renovations - Montana State University

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Under the auspices of its General Spending Authority for Capital Improvements to Campus Facilities, authorized by the 61<sup>st</sup> Legislature, MSU is proceeding with renovations to small classrooms in several campus academic buildings for a total of \$350,000.

### **EXPLANATION**

- 1. In meeting the educational, social and cultural expectations of the changing student demographic, the university is committed to capital renewal investments to modernize and improve its academic facilities.
- 2. Modern teaching environments are critical to establishing opportunities to engage students and faculty, as well as promote recruitment and retention.
- 3. MSU will update and modernize several small capacity (under 49 seat) classrooms in select academic buildings throughout the campus. The project will modernize and enhance existing registrar classroom spaces which will engage the campus community by improving learning environments for faculty and students.
- 4. This work will be funded with \$350,000 from current unrestricted funds.
- 5. This use of General Spending Authority will be tracked and reported on MSU's biannual report to the Board of Regents per BOR Policy 1003.7.
- 6. MSU assures that no new or additional state funds will be requested for operations and maintenance of this existing facility as a result of this project.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Board of Regents Policy: Physical Plant B Section 1003.7