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INFORMATION ITEM Mathews Hall Bathroom Remodel

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The University of Montana Western is pursuing a bathroom remodel within Mathews Hall as an auxiliary project.

EXPLANATION

The poor conditions of the bathrooms in Mathews Hall are becoming a serious student retention issue. The University of Montana Western has completed a preliminary cost and feasibility study of remodeling the shower and restrooms within Mathews Hall. Some of the Mathews Hall bathrooms were renovated in the 1950s to 1970s, but some still contain the original fixtures from the 1920s. The bathroom remodel project will also improve energy efficiency through water savings, lighting upgrades, and ventilation improvements. Attachment #1 shows the completed study, performed by Mosaic Architects. This project will be funded with Montana Western Auxiliary Renew and Replacement funds, as well as securing debt financing. Montana Western is currently working with The University of Montana Missoula to secure the required debt financing to complete the bathroom remodel project.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1 - UM Western Mathews Hall Bathroom Study – Mosaic Architects Attachment #2 – Photos showing the condition of existing bathrooms