

April 2017

**ITEM 175-2001-C0517**

**Request authorization to repair and replace outdoor track surface; Montana State University**

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**THAT**

Consistent with the provision of MCA 18-2-102(c), the Board of Regents of Higher Education authorizes MSU to repair and replace the outdoor track surface at the Track and Field Complex at MSU-Bozeman. This authority request is for a total of \$1,250,000.

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**EXPLANATION**

1. The MSU outdoor Track and Field Complex is a part of a multi-use sports facility located next to the Bobcat Stadium which serves students, staff, faculty, local community, and campus visitors. It is used for athletic programs, university events, and public service events throughout the year in support of the university's athletic programs and mission of outreach across the State of Montana.
  2. The Track and Field complex has received periodic upgrades, limited scope renovations, and modernizations to appropriately serve as a NCAA sports and practice facility for the university and Montana community. However, the track surface is deteriorating and delaminating from the asphalt subsurface and requires replacement to adequately and safely continue to be used.
  3. The programs, services, and amenities hosted at the Track and Field Complex contribute to MSU's athletic programs, student success and retention as well as function as a community interface. The track surface requires repair, replacement and modification to meet current athletic program, university and community demands. The project will improve services, functionality, safety, and aesthetics.
  4. MSU plans to upgrade and modernize the track surface to enhance and maintain functional use as well as improve accommodations for venues and activities. The upgrade includes a replacement of the existing track surface, improvements to field components, and modification/expansion of the track surface at the west end of the facility to better accommodate sport events.
  5. This project will be financed with private donations. MSU assures that no new or additional state funds will be requested for operations and maintenance of this existing facility.
  6. This project requires the authorization of the Board of Regents and the Consent of the Governor.
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**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Policy 1003.7