

Attachment 1: Board of Regents Policy: Physical Plant B Section 1003.7

This Authority is for an amount greater than \$350,000, which requires the following additional information:

(a) Project Description: This project will design and proceed with the construction and renovation of Romney Hall and associated infrastructure, as well as support areas and ancillary projects necessary to accommodate temporary relocation of existing occupants during the construction phases.

(b) Cost Estimate and Funding Sources:

- Estimated Cost: \$32,000,000 for final design and construction services.

(c) Program Served, Enrollment Data, Projected Enrollment:

The Romney Hall renovation will update and modernize an existing campus facility to accommodate teaching and academic related programs. The facility will assist in providing much needed space as a result of continued growth in student enrollment which reached 16,902 in 2018 and is projected to continue growing. The facility will also contribute to improving retention and graduation rates by creating an inviting, student-centered environment that promotes collaboration, mentoring and advising. The facility will allow the University to expand programs which offer more opportunities to students as well as to increase outreach to Montana communities. The building will provide space for more interdisciplinary opportunities to students across departments and colleges including more than 1000 classroom seats. The renovation will include new classroom facilities, collaborative work areas, student support programs, improvements to building infrastructure such as ADA accessibility, and modernize outdated mechanical electrical and plumbing systems along with sustainability enhancements.

Additionally, facilities will be developed to house the displaced Education, Health, and Human Development labs; ROTC program; and faculty offices presently located in Romney.

(d) Space Utilization Data:

Space utilization will be improved with the final design and will include more than 1000 classroom seats.

(e) Projected Use for Available Residual Space

Space recovered within Romney Hall will be reallocated to academic uses that are consistent with the adaptive re-use of the building.

(f) Projected O&M Costs and Proposed Funding Sources:

O&M expenditures are anticipated to cost approximately \$12.38/sf or \$290,930 per year for EHHD and ROTC facilities. O&M expenditures are anticipated to cost an incremental \$2.23/sf or \$122,436 per year for Romney to cover the costs of operating more complex systems and a much more intense usage. The funding source is anticipated to be State appropriation of O&M funds.