

January 3, 2023

ITEM 204-1001-R0123

Request for Authority to Increase Spending to Remodel Research Storage Building at Flathead Lake Biological Station – University of Montana-Missoula

THAT

Consistent with the Board’s authority to manage and control the Montana University System, BOR Policy 1003.7 and 20-25-108(1)(f), MCA, the Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes the University of Montana – Missoula to expend up to \$660,000 for the Remodel of Research Support Building at Flathead Lake Biological Station (FLBS).

EXPLANATION

1. The Board of Regents authorized UM to expend \$500,000 for this project in September 2020 (Item 190-1011-R0920). This item increases the authorized spending authority to \$660,000.
 2. The Research Support Building at Flathead Lake Biological Station (FLBS) has approximately 1,150 SF of unfinished space on the first floor.
 3. An NSF federal research grant was obtained to in 2020 to finish the building project by adding labs, a walk-in freezer, and an ADA restroom to the existing space.
 4. Bids for the proposed project came in higher than original funding and estimates. The FLBS was able to secure the additional federal grant funding to continue the project.
 5. This project is fully funded from an NSF federal research grant.
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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1: Project Overview 1003.7