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Memo

To: Montana Land Information Advisory Council

From: Erin Fashoway, State GIS Coordinator

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Re: Montana Spatial Data Infrastructure (MSDI) Elevation Theme Stewardship

The Montana Spatial Data Infrastructure Elevation Theme Steward has been vacant since May of 2015. The Montana State Library (MSL) proposes assuming stewardship of the MSDI Elevation Theme.

The FY 2019 Land Plan identifies the importance and need for coordination of Elevation Theme related topics, i.e. LiDAR. Under the FY2019 Land Information Plan Priorities, MSL is identified as working to coordinate these important Elevation Theme issues/topics:

"MSDI Theme Specific Priorities – Stewarded Outside of the Montana State Library Elevation –

- a. The Montana State Library will collaborate with partners and stakeholder to develop a statewide LiDAR plan.
- b. The Montana State Library will participate in national discussions, i.e. USGS 3DEP program.
- c. The Montana State Library will coordinate with stakeholders in the state on elevation data related issues and topics." (Montana Land Information Plan State Fiscal Year 2019, page 11)