Montana State Library ARPA Funding Options Status 3/19/2021

MSL Funding Requests	Cost	Description	Recommmended By:
IMLS Funding Silo in ARPA	2,235,443	Maintain current statewide hot spot lending program offered through local libraries. Create and procure elearning resources to be available through local libraries.	Section C& E
Newsline	240,000	Fund services that provide Montana newspaper recordings to blind and low vision Montanans.	Section C& E
Statewide Broadband Mapping	250,000	Map currently available broadband in Montana to evaluate and prioritize broadband deployment.	Section A&F
Internal Wiring in Montana Libraries	3,800,000	Replace outdated internet equipment including cabling, routers, and wireless access points in libraries throughout the state.	Section A&F
Hot Spot Lending Program	1,200,000	Increase statewide hot spot lending program capacity offered through local libraries.	Section A&F
Lidar	8,000,000	Collect statewide aerial elevation data used for floodplain mapping, fire management planning, and public and private infrastructure planning.	Section A&F
Wetland Mapping	1,500,000	Complete mapping of Montana's wetlands for natural resource management and infrastructure development.	Section A&F
Real Time Network (RTN)	4,000,000	Establish a statewide RTN to support cost effective hyper-accurate survey data used in precision agriculture, infrastructure projects, and autonomous vehicles.	Section A&F
Total	$ 21,225,443		
E-learning Digital Content	1,000,000	Expand K-12 ebook program to include all school libraries.	N/A
Workforce Development Resources	1,500,000	Procure work force technology kits to be lent to patrons by libraries.	N/A
Total	$ 2,500,000		

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