

**Department New Request Form
Fiscal Year 2026**

Program	Public Works	Title of New Request:	Rank: 9
Department	Water	Aquifer Sustainability Study Phase 2	
Request Category	New Request/Service/Feature		
Request Rating	Expand Level of Service		
Department Goal	Insure future water supply	# of FTE's in this request	

1. How will request assist in achieving Department Goal and benefit the customer

We recently completed a Phase 1 study of the static water levels of the Missoula aquifer, which focused on historical data for the aquifer. This study was completed by a local firm called Adaptive Hydrology. While that study did not identify any immediate areas of concern, it did recommend a future Phase 2 study that would attempt to forecast how the aquifer could be affected by a changing climate and increased water demands as the system grows. This new request would complete this recommended Phase 2 study.

2. What specifically is needed to achieve this goal?

3. Cost Impact of New Program:

Account #	Item	Qty	Unit Cost	Requested One-Time	Requested Ongoing	FY 2026 Unfunded	FY 2026 Funded	Proposed FY 2027 Ongoing
Ongoing Expenses								
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One-time Expenses								
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Expense Sub-Total				50,000	—	50,000	—	—

Revenue Offset:

Account #	Revenue Description	Proposed Onetime Revenue	Proposed Ongoing Revenue
5210	E Water Fund	50,000	
Revenue Sub-Total		50,000	-

4. What sort of data will be used to report results and outcomes of request?

	Requested/Proposed Funding Source	
	One-time	Ongoing
Tax or Assessment	-	-
Non-tax	50,000	-
Fund Balance	-	-
Total	50,000	-