

**TOWN OF WIBAUX LOCAL EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION #1-2020
DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY TO EXIST RELATED TO THE
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE COVID-19 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS**

WHEREAS, a local emergency proclamation may be issued by the Mayor as the principal executive officer of the Town whenever the Mayor determines there is an emergency pursuant to Section 10-3-402, Montana Code Annotated;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, and the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services recognizes the disease as a serious public health threat;

WHEREAS, the State of Montana is experiencing an outbreak of confirmed cases of COVID-19, which prompted the State to declare a state of emergency on March 12, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Wibaux County Public Health Department has recommended that the Town of Wibaux and Wibaux County implement proactive measures to mitigate the risk of the spread of the COVID-19 virus. This state of emergency will be terminated only when the COVID-19 pandemic is brought under control;


WHEREAS, the area threatened by a potential COVID-19 outbreak includes the Town of Wibaux;

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town of Wibaux to participate in a coordinated public health response with Wibaux County and the State of Montana, and to receive and expend funds to meet contingencies and needs arising during the emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, David Bertelsen, the duly elected and constituted Mayor of the Town of Wibaux, pursuant to the authority vested in me under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Montana, hereby declare that an emergency exists within the Town of Wibaux, in Wibaux County, Montana, as defined in Sections 10-3-103 and 10-3-402, M.C.A.

This Proclamation is immediately effective and shall be promptly filed and disseminated as provided by Section 10-3-404, M.C.A.

DATED this 19th day of March, 2020.



David Bertelsen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Debra Zinda, Clerk/Treasurer