# CONSERVATION DISTRICT MILL LEVY

A Case Study and Q&A Session

### **PRESENTERS**

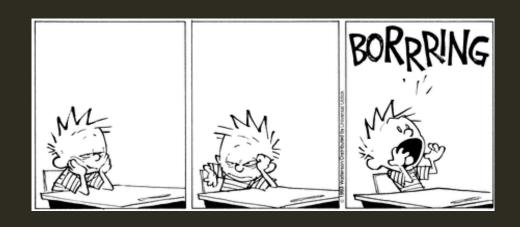
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# AUDIENCE





# GOALS

- Know who is responsible for calculating your mill levy
- > Know who the key players are in assisting with calculations
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- Know what direction to go to correct errors in your mill levy
  OR
- > Feel really great about how on top of it you are!

# OUTLINE

- Review recent Missoula CD experience
- Review tax mill levy forms
- Discuss other places for potential errors
- > Enjoy another presentation or go have a drink



### MISSOULA CD STORY

# IT ALL STARTED WITH A POWERPOINT

Just a <u>simple</u> request...

# WHAT IS A MILL LEVY ANYWAY?

"Mill" comes from the Latin word "millage" meaning "thousandth." So one mill is 1/1000<sup>th</sup> of a currency unit.

The mill levy is the "tax rate" that is applied to the assessed value of a property. One mill is one dollar per \$1,000 dollars of taxable value.

OR

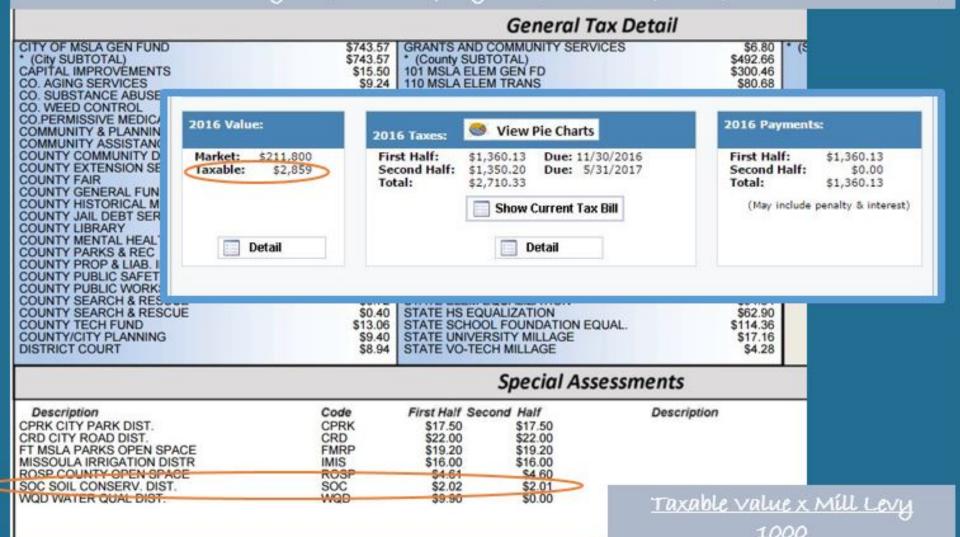
\$1000 x 1.0 mill/1000 = \$1.00



## Missoula Conservation District 🚒 Funds



Market/Productivity value x Tax Rate = Taxable value Taxable value x Mill Levy = General Property Tax (exclusive of local fees and assessments)

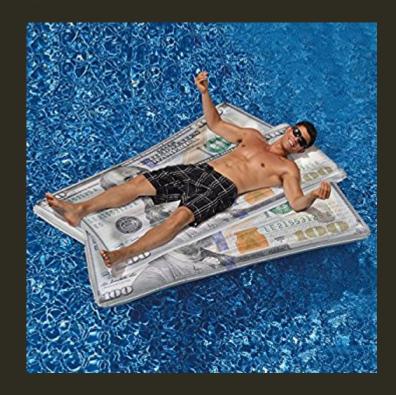


# THE CALCULATION IS SIMPLE THEN...

Taxable Value x Fixed Mill/1000 = Mill Levy Revenue



Ugh!!! Can we just go FLOAT with this guy?



# HOW TO CALCULATE A CONSERVATION DISTRICT MILL LEVY

See Laws Pertaining to Montana's Conservation Districts (2016) pages 86-89

MCA 15-10-420

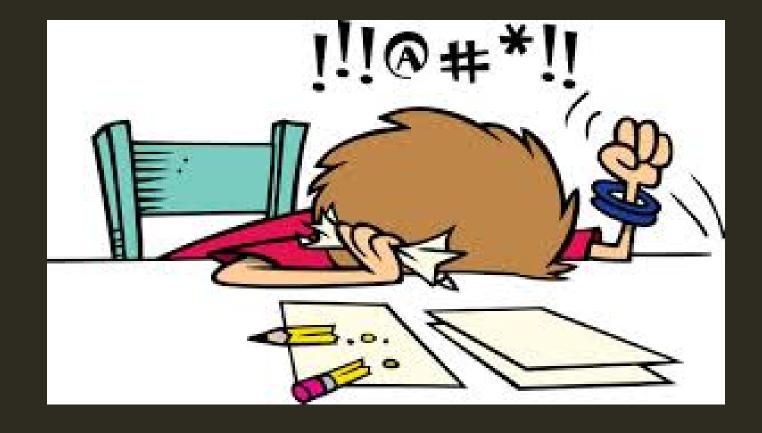
...a governmental entity that is authorized to impose mills may impose a mill levy sufficient to generate the amount of property taxes actually assessed in the prior year plus one half of the average rate of inflation for the prior 3 years. The maximum number of mills required to generate the amount of property tax actually assessed in the governmental unit in the prior year based on the current year taxable value, less the current year's newly taxable value, plus one-half of the average rate of inflation for the prior 3 years.

# MCA 15-10-420

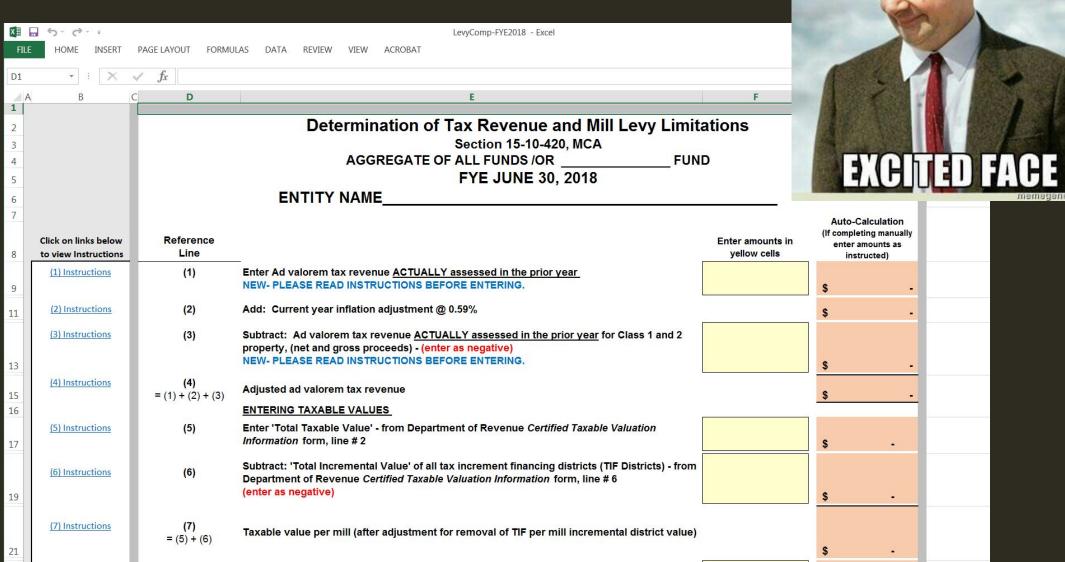
Did this...



And then this...



# LUCKY FOR US THERE'S THIS!



THISISMY

# WHAT WORKED FOR ME

### RELATIONSHIPS

### Department of Revenue

Offered assistance with Taxable Valuation Forms

### **County Financial Office**

Offered assistance with prior year mill levy and reviewed final corrections

### **RESOURCES**

MACo

Assistance and Levy Comp Excel Forms

MACD

Assistance

DNRC

**Assistance** 

# REVIEW

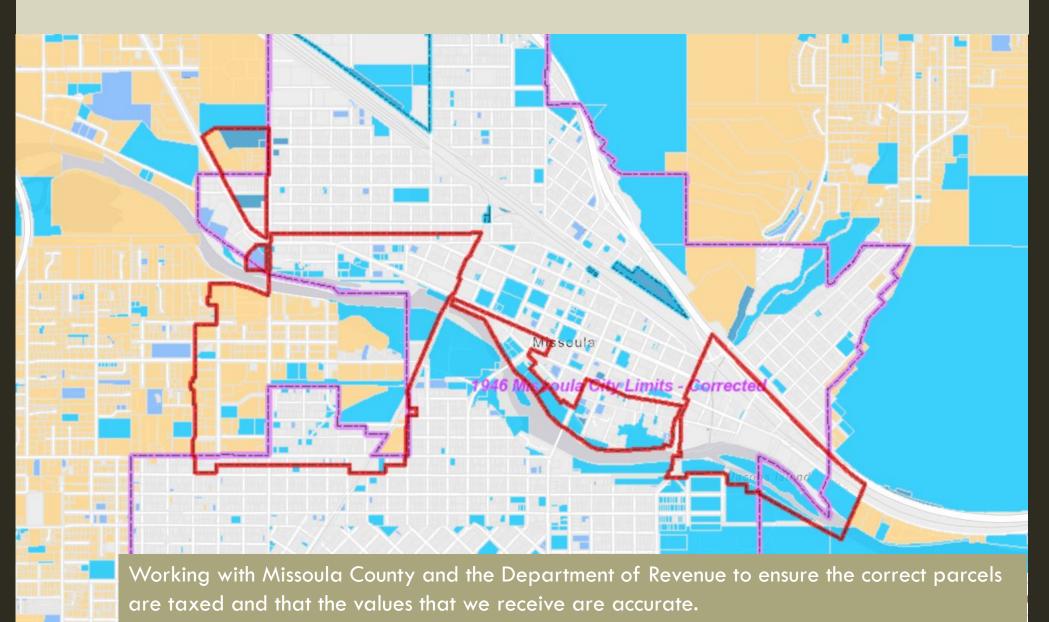
- Taxable Valuation Forms
- Levy Comp Forms

# 6 MONTHS LATER IN MISSOULA COUNTY

- > Taxable Parcels
- Ensure Values on Taxable Valuation Forms are Accurate
- Ensure Mill Levy Income is Accurate

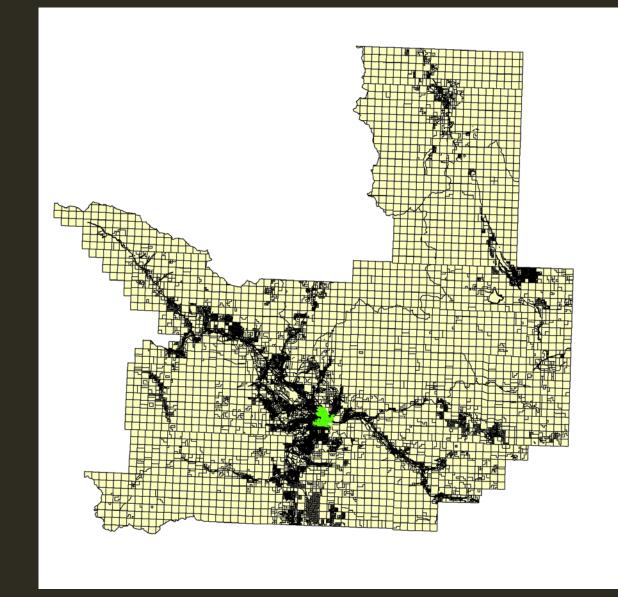
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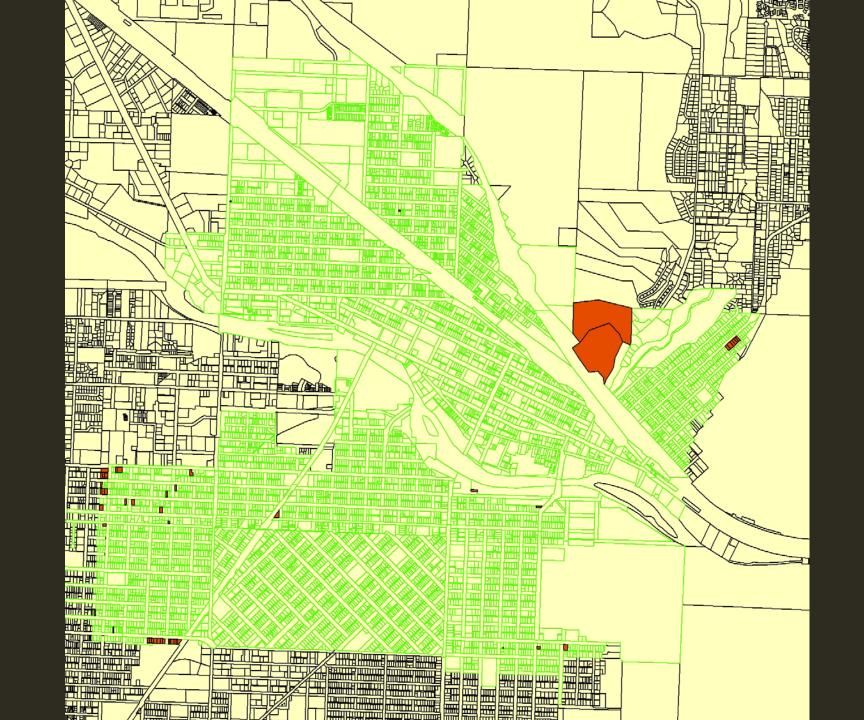
Boundaries over Boundaries...



# THE DOUGHNUT HOLE

Missoula County – minus 1946 city limits





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# Mill Levy Calculation Form Provided by MACo.

	Section 15-10-420, MCA  AGGREGATE OF ALL FUNDS /OR FUNE  FYE JUNE 30, 2018	)		
	ENTITY NAME			
Reference Line		Enter amounts in yellow cells	Auto-Calculatio (if completing manu- enter amounts as instructed)	ally
(1)	Enter Ad valorem tax revenue <u>ACTUALLY assessed in the prior year</u> NEW- PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE ENTERING.		s	
(2)	Add: Current year inflation adjustment @ 0.59%		\$	
(3)	Subtract: Ad valorent tax revenue <u>ACTUALLY assessed in the prior year</u> for Class 1 and 2 property, the and gross proceeds - tentre as negative) NEW-PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE ENTERING.		s	7
(4) = (1) + (2) + (3)	Adjusted ad valorem tax revenue		s	1
(5)	ENTERING TAXABLE VALUES  Enter 'Total Taxable Value' - from Department of Revenue Certified Taxable Valuation Information form, line 3 - 2.		\$ -	
(6)	Subtract: "Total Incremental Value" of all tax increment financing districts (TIP Districts) - from Department of Revenue Certified Taxable Valuation Information form, line # 6 (refer as negative)		s -	
(7)	Taxable value per mill (after adjustment for removal of TIF per mill incremental district value)			
= (5) + (6)	raxable value per mili (arter adjustment for removal of the per mili incremental district value)		\$ -	
(8)	Subtract: 'Total Value of Newly Taxable Property' - from Department of Revenue Certified Taxable Valuation Information form, line # 3 (enter as negative)		ş -	
(9)	Subtract: 'Taxable Value of Net and Gross Proceeds, (Class 1 & 2 properties)' - from Department of Revenue Certified Taxable Valuation Information form, line # 5 (errier as negative)		s -	
(10) = (7) + (8) + (9)	Adjusted Taxable value per mill		s -	
(11) =(4) / (10)	CURRENT YEAR calculated mill levy		#DIV/0!	
(12) = (7) x (11)	CURRENT YEAR calculated ad valorem tax revenue		#DIV/0!	
	CURRENT YEAR AUTHORIZED LEVY/ASSESSMENT			
(13)	Enter total number of carry forward mills from prior year FOR PY18 BUDGETS, PLEASE ENTER ONLY THE # OF MILLS LEFT BEHIND FROM FY17. NEW-PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE ENTERING.		0	.00
(14) =(11) + (13)	Total current year authorized mill levy, including Prior Years' carry forward mills		#DIV/0!	
(15) =(7) x (14)	Total current year authorized ad valorem tax revenue assessment		#DIV/0!	
	CURRENT YEAR ACTUALLY LEVIED/ASSESSED			_
(16)	Enter number of mills actually levied in current year (Number should equal total <u>nor-voted</u> mills, which includes the number of carry forward mills, actually imposed per the final approved current year budget document. <u>Do Not</u> include voted or permissive mills imposed in the current year.)		0	.00
(17) =(7) x (16)	Total ad valorem tax revenue actually assessed in current year		\$	1
	RECAPITULATION OF ACTUAL:			
(18) '=(10) x (16)	Ad valorem tax revenue actually assessed		s	
(19)	Ad valorem tax revenue actually assessed for newly taxable property		\$	li li
(20) (21)	Ad valorem tax revenue actually assessed for Class 1 & 2 properties (net-gross proceeds)		\$	
(21)	Total ad valorem tax revenue actually assessed in current year		s	

### Taxable Valuation Form

### From Department of Revenue



#### Montana Department of Revenue

Property Assessment Division



Brian Schweitzer Governor

August 4, 2010

Soil Conservation District Board 3500 Mullan Rd Ste 106 Missoula, MT 59808



AUG 6 2010

2010 Soil Conservation District Taxable Value: \$138,464,565

900,113.60

Attest:

Amanda Walton/Tania Cardwell

Taxable Valuation Preparer



MONTANA

Form AB-72T Rev. 3-12

#### 2014 Certified Taxable Valuation Information

(15-10-202, MCA)

#### Missoula County

1. 2014 Total Market Value	*		\$	
2. 2014 Total Taxable Value	e		\$	145,649,38
3. 2014 Taxable Value of N	ewly Taxable Property			
	Incremental Taxable Value**			145,649,38
5. 2014 Taxable Value of N (Class 1 and	et and Gross Proceeds***   Class 2)		\$	
6. TIF Districts				
Tax Increment District Name	Current Taxable Value	Base Taxable Value	1	ncremental Value
		Total Incremental Valu	ıe_\$	
Preparer <u>TANIA CAR</u>	DWELL		ue_\$ te 7/23/2	
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# Taxable Valuation Form From Department of Revenue



MONTANA

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#### 2017 Certified Taxable Valuation Information

(15-10-202, MCA) Missoula County SOIL CONSERVATION

#### Certified values are now available online at property.mt.gov/cov

<ol> <li>2017 Total Market Vali</li> </ol>	ue <sup>1</sup>		\$	11,069,843,470
2. 2017 Total Taxable Val	\$	159,963,665		
3. 2017 Taxable Value of	\$	1,446,289		
4. 2017 Taxable Value les	\$	151,230,540		
5. 2017 Taxable Value of	Net and Gross Proceeds <sup>4</sup>			
(Class 1 and Class	ass 2)		\$	-
6. TIF Districts				
Tax Increment	Current Taxable	Base Taxable		Incremental
<b>District Name</b>	Value <sup>2</sup>	Value		Value
Preparer Amanda Walt	on	Total Incremental Val		
<sup>2</sup> Taxable value is calculate <sup>3</sup> This value is the taxable	on nclude class 1 and class 2 valu ed after abatements have bee value less total incremental v s 1 and class 2 is included in t	e en applied alue of all tax increment fi	te <u>8/3/2</u> 0	017
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ENTITY	NAME	Missoula Conservatio				
Reference				Enter amounts in	(If co	nto-Calculation mpleting manually
Line	error manus con			yellow cells	-	instructed)
(1)	Enter Ad valorem ta: NEW- PLEASE REAL	x revenue <u>ACTUALLY assessed in the pri</u> D INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE ENTERING.	or year	\$ 208,266	\$	208,266
(2)	Add: Current year in	nflation adjustment @ 0.59%			\$	1,229
(3)	property, (net and gr	m tax revenue <u>ACTUALLY assessed in th</u> ross proceeds) - (enter as negative) D INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE ENTERING.	e prior year for Class 1 and 2		s	
(4)	Adjusted ad valorem	tax revenue			_	
= (1) + (2) + (3)	ENTERING TAXABL				\$	209,495
(5)		Value' - from Department of Revenue Ce	rtified Taxable Valuation Information	\$ 159,963,558	\$	159,963.558
(6)		emental Value' of all tax increment financ nue Certified Taxable Valuation Informati		\$ (8,733,125)	\$	(8,733.125
(7) = (5) + (6)	Taxable value per mi	ill (after adjustment for removal of TIF per	mill incremental district value)		s	151,230.433
(8)		ue of Newly Taxable Property' - from Dep	artment of Revenue Certified Taxable			
(9)	Subtract: 'Taxable V	In form, line # 3 (enter as negative) /alue of Net and Gross Proceeds, (Class)		\$ (1,446,289)	\$	(1,446.289
	of Revenue Certified (enter as negative)	Taxable Valuation Information form, line	∍#5		\$	
(10) = (7) + (8) + (9)	Adjusted Taxable va	lue per mill			\$	149,784.144
(11) =(4) / (10)	CURRENT YEAR cal	culated mill levy				1,40
(12) = (7) x (11)	CURRENT YEAR cal	culated ad valorem tax revenue			\$	211,723
	CURRENT YEAR A	UTHORIZED LEVY/ASSESSMENT				
(13)	FOR FY18 BUDGETS	of carry forward mills from prior year S, Please enter only the # of Mill: D the instructions before enterii	S LEFT BEHIND FROM FY17.	0.17		0.17
(14) =(11) + (13)	Total current year au	athorized mill levy, including Prior Years'	carry forward mills			1.57
(15) =(7) x (14)	Total current year au	uthorized ad valorem tax revenue assessi	ment		\$	237,432
	CURRENT YEAR A	CTUALLY LEVIED/ASSESSED				
(16)	(Number should equi actually imposed per	is actually levied in current year ial total <u>non-voted</u> mills, which includes t r the final approved current year budget o osed in the current year.)		1.57		1.57
(17) =(7) x (16)	Total ad valorem tax	revenue actually assessed in current year	ar		s	237,432
	RECAPITULATION	OF ACTUAL:				
(18) '=(10) x (16)		nue actually assessed			\$	235,161
(19)		nue actually assessed for newly taxable p			\$	2,271
(20) (21)		nue actually assessed for Class 1 & 2 pro			\$	
(18) + (19) + (20)	Total ad valorem tax	revenue actually assessed in current year	ar		\$	237,432
		mills that may be levied in a subsequent y				

# THANK YOU!

