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To the USDA NIFA AFRI BNRE Review Committee:

The Montana Climate Office is committed to collaborating in the project as outlined in the proposal entitled, "Native Carbon on the Bison Range: Connecting soils, vegetation, and bison grazing" submitted by Dr. Maureen McCarthy through the Desert Research Institute to the USDA NIFA AFRI Bioenergy, Natural Resources and Environment program, Soil Health priority area (USDA-NIFA-AFRI-007692). If funded, the Montana Climate Office is prepared to execute project activities rapidly in accordance with the project description and timeline.

Sincerely,

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