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Dear City Council members,

Thank you for considering the important issue of the Knife River Ponds. We support the transfer of these ponds and the area around them to the City to become part of its Open Space inventory.

This parcel of land, just east of McCauley Butte, is an essential part of a natural corridor linking Sleyman's Island/Fort Missoula with McCauley Butte /Blue Mountain Recreation Area. In addition, it has the potential, once restored, to become an incredibly important waterfowl viewing area and important wildlife refuge. The area has great potential as a natural parkland, which we need in Missoula. So many of our parks are highly structured playing fileds and dog parks. Many of us simply want to go somewhere close to observe nature!!

Thank you,

Anne and Erick Greene