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Local public-school enrollment will increase slightly with the addition of the West Side Woods Subdivision to the City of Helena. The subdivision will feed into Kessler Elementary School, Hawthorne Elementary School, CR Anderson Middle School and Capital High School. The subject property is 0.3 miles from Kessler Elementary, 2 miles from Hawthorne Elementary, 1.2 miles from C.R. Anderson, and 2 miles from Capital High School. There are currently no bus stops proposed within the subdivision.

Based on census data for Helena, Montana, there are 2.14 people per household within the City of Helena. The census also indicates that 19% of households are under 18 years old. Based on this we can calculate that 0.40 people per household are school age. The subdivision proposes 92 single family residential lots with 80 condo units for a total of 172 proposed households. It is anticipated that 70 school age children will be generated at full build-out of the subdivision. The subdivision is planned with 4 phases, Phase 1 in 2023, Phase 2 in 2025, Phase 3 in 2027, and Phase 4 in 2029. The proposed 70 students would be phased in over 6 years. The City of Helena Growth Policy indicates that the projected total enrollment for all schools within the Helena School District will be 9,310 students by 2025. The anticipated increase from the proposed subdivision accounts for 0.8% of total enrollment in year 2025. It is anticipated that the existing school system can absorb the anticipated students from the proposed subdivision.