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Dear Provost and Vice Chancellor *Bill,* Rugg:

This is in reply to your correspondence dated June 16, 2014, and received in this office on June 23, 2014, requesting approval from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) for Montana State University – Northern to terminate five degree programs, three certificate programs, and four minors. In addition, the University seeks approval to place fourteen degree programs, two certificate programs, three minors, and one endorsement into moratorium. The specific programs, minors, and endorsement are as follows:

Termination:

- Master of Science degree program – General Science Education
- Bachelor of Arts degree program – Communications
- Bachelor of Science degree program – Education in Business Education 5-12
- Associate of Applied Science degree program – Graphic Design
- Associate of Applied Science degree program – Railroad Maintenance and Operations
- Departmental Certificate program – Agricultural Mechanics Technology
- Departmental Certificate program – Electrical Technology
- Departmental Certificate program – Land Survey Technology
- Minor – Automotive Technology (Auto Body)
- Minor – Communications
- Minor – Engineering Technology: Civil Engineering
- Minor – Teacher Education in Computer Info Systems 5-12

Moratorium:

- Bachelor of Science degree program – Computer Information Systems
- Bachelor of Science degree program – Design Drafting Technology
- Bachelor of Science degree program – Education in Health and Physical Education K-12
- Bachelor of Science degree program – Education in Mathematics 5-12
- Bachelor of Science degree program – Industrial Technology
- Bachelor of Science degree program – Industrial Technology 5-12
- Bachelor of Science degree program – Mathematics

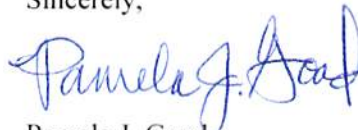
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- Bachelor of Science degree program – Science Education in English 5-12
- Bachelor of Science degree program – Science Education in General Science 5-12
- Bachelor of Science degree program – Science Education in Social Science - Broadfield
- Associate of Applied Science degree program – Carpentry Technology
- Associate of Applied Science degree program – Computer Information Systems
- Associate of Applied Science degree program – Sustainable Energy Technology
- Associate of Applied Science degree program – Water Quality Technology: Environmental Health
- Certificate of Applied Science program – Carpentry Technology
- Certificate of Applied Science program – Sustainable Energy Technology
- Minor – Design Drafting Technology
- Minor – Health and Physical in Education K-12
- Minor – Education in English 5-12
- Principle Endorsement K-12

The Commission has approved the aforementioned curricula terminations and placements into moratorium as *minor changes* under Commission Policy, *Substantive Change*. The Commission notes that for those programs being terminated with enrolled students, the University has delivered communications regarding the terminations and students will be able to complete their programs of study. Accordingly, the aforementioned curricula terminations and placements into moratorium are now included under the accreditation of the Montana State University – Northern.

Thank you for keeping the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities apprised of the developments and initiatives at Montana State University – Northern. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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cc: Mr. Greg Kegel, Chancellor  
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