

From: [Kerrin McCall](#)
To: [Participate](#); [Neil Bradshaw](#); [Amanda Breen](#); [Courtney Hamilton](#); [Jim Slanetz](#); [Michael David](#)
Subject: looking up?
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 1:24:00 PM

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Kerrin McCall

From: [Allison Goodwin](#)
To: [Kerrin McCall](#); heidi.husbands@haileycityhall.org; [Juan Martinez](#); [Doug Brown](#); [Chris Johnson](#); [Angenie McCleary](#); [Kathryn Goldman](#); kaz.thea@haileycityhall.org; [Alex Hughes](#); [Brad Dufur](#); [ed flory](#); [Dick Fosbury](#); [Keith Saks](#); martha.burke@haileycityhall.org; [Michelle Griffith](#); [Matthew A. Johnson](#); mpomeroy@co.blaine.id.us; jcarreiro@bellevueidaho.us; [Jane Conard](#); [Bridget](#)
Cc: [Participate](#); [Neil Bradshaw](#); [Amanda Breen](#); [Courtney Hamilton](#); [Jim Slanetz](#); [Michael David](#); [Jim Hungelmann](#)
Subject: Re: looking up?
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 2:18:59 PM

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Thank you.
Allison Goodwin
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From: [Ananda Kriva](#)
To: [Neil Bradshaw](#)
Cc: [Participate](#); [Amanda Breen](#); [Courtney Hamilton](#); [Jim Slanetz](#); [Michael David](#)
Subject: Re: CHEMTRAILS O"ER KETCHUM(July 17, 2023 Mtg)
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 2:46:09 PM

We do have jurisdiction as to what's falling on our heads. Are we, then, becoming entrained puppy dogs, yielding freedom and health, awaiting pats on the head for our obedience, as our 'masters' toss the fetch toy of our liberty and fasten the neck collars ever more tightly? Our bite is stronger than their barking. This is a perennial spiritual battle that can be won by the soul, if we don't succumb to the promulgated lies of anemic scientism and technocracy's genocide. The scam and the sham of covid has been exposed and now the sharpened blade of discernment gained can be wielded victoriously against the rest of the muddled darkness. Happy to be alive and well in this "Best Apocalypse Ever". May the remaining years of your life be filled with Light.

On Mon, Jul 17, 2023 at 1:30 PM Neil Bradshaw <NBradshaw@ketchumidaho.org> wrote:

Thanks Ananda
We do not have jurisdiction over the skies
Open to ideas as to what action we could take
Cheers
Neil

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On Jul 17, 2023, at 12:47 PM, Ananda Kriya <akashasv123@gmail.com> wrote:

Note: The spraying of chemtrails was suspended 3-5 days prior to the annual Allen & Co gathering at Sun Valley. Beautiful, pristine blue and sunny skies continued throughout the duration of the conference. Immediately following the conclusion of the event, on Sunday(yesterday), the spraying resumed. Geoengineered highly toxic chemtrailing has become an almost daily occurrence here. One need not be a shaman cloud-reader to get the message. Last winter a chemical engineer sent to a Seattle testing laboratory a mid-valley snow sample. The results were four times the recognised toxicity level of aluminum. Awareness is the rudimentary fulcrum of change,

however this pollution of our atmosphere has reached a level beyond simple acknowledgement. An initial step to be considered is a letter of cease and desist addressed to both state and federal governments. Being an almost 80 year aficionado of the snowflake, I have observed a traditional geometric hexagram-shaped snowflake disappearing and being replaced by a dull, amorphous blob which no longer releases a dynamic natural bio-energy(chi,prana or orgone). Blessings from inner worlds, Ananda Kriya

From: [City of Ketchum Idaho](#)
To: [Participate](#)
Subject: Form submission from: Contact Us
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 5:17:56 PM

Submitted on Monday, July 17, 2023 - 5:17pm

Submitted by anonymous user: 174.204.8.211

Submitted values are:

First Name Plkno

Last Name Plachno

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Question/Comment

I am an IronMan and have been coming to Ketchum for two years to train (bike/run) in elevation on trails. I am very frustrated and disappointed with the e-bikes on the bike trails. I have had 2 incidents just this week with e-bikes on the trails at an excessive amount of speed for safety. Several others have said the same thing. E-bikes should be banned from the trails for safety reasons. I will be finding a new location in elevation for my training in the future.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

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From: [James Hungelmann](#)
To: [Jim Slanetz](#); [Courtney Hamilton](#); [Amanda Breen](#); [Neil Bradshaw](#); [Michael David](#); [Participate](#)
Subject: Fwd: looking up?
Date: Monday, July 17, 2023 6:01:55 PM

fyi for the record

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De: James Hungelmann <jim.hungelmann@gmail.com>
Date: lun, 17 jul 2023 a las 17:55
Subject: Re: looking up?
To: Neil Bradshaw <NBradshaw@ketchumidaho.org>
Cc: Allison Goodwin <allisongoodwin1@gmail.com>, admin@geoengineeringwatch.org <admin@geoengineeringwatch.org>, Kerrin McCall <kerrinmac@gmail.com>, Ananda Knuyu <akashasv123@gmail.com>, Participate <participate@ketchumidaho.org>, Dane Wigington <danew@frontier.com>

Oh, are you now, Neil?

For many years now, you have scorned, marginalized, and ridiculed those who have insisted on this issue on the public record and otherwise - refusing even to look up, and condemning those who do.

Several years ago I gave you and Council a book *What Is Up* that photographically laid it all out, exactly and irrefutably what has been going on here; do you still have it? I also told you, years ago, all about Dane Wigington's work. The Reply of the mayor and council? Dead Silence, on this and every critical issue, eg, Roundup the Roundup (get it outta here); Stop 5G Fast (locking children and all of nature in a microwave oven, for good?) ; Put That Needle Down (government vaccines coming at us) ; and, Strip search the elephant in the sky (the daily aerial biochemical dispersions for public ingestion).

I submit you remain legally and ethically duty-bound to watch the documentary *The Dimming* that shows the gravity of the high crimes - and is fit for consumption and understandable even by the most dimmed and dumbed down.

This Mayor and Council have seen fit to declare *Emergency!* and impose *choke out and poison* measures based on scam "evidence" and without a hint of due process, masking/ trapping every breath and free expression for two years, but you don't have the power (or is it not courage?) to look up and ask questions, for example, by letter to the governor, 'What the hell is up, Chief'? Maybe a patio pow-wow over coffee between assorted Ketchum masses and his Mighty Highness while here for the "Governor's Cup"? You have seen my two public-record submissions to you many months ago following the article in SV Magazine on "cloud seeding", but do let us know if you need additional help drafting . . . Or will our Canyon County-

based legal counsel that rubber stamped the choke out of *Idaho covidScam* handle that?

Despite the gravity of past errors, the Ketchum public seeks not retaliation but simply compliance with sanity and the rule of law. Those who can't step up to this sort of unpleasantry should resign or at least put the cowardly mask back on, *para siempre*, the sign of the savagely soiled sustainability sycophant who, consistent with the rule of law, is about to Get Run.

We hope you are up for the task; certainly the participation of other municipalities in the valley would be very desirable.

Thank you in advance, Neil, for your leadership.

Jim

El lun, 17 jul 2023 a las 14:48, Neil Bradshaw (<NBradshaw@ketchumidaho.org>) escribió:

THanks

I would be happy to meet with Dane and the rest of this group

I am keen to find out more

Cheers

Neil

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On Jul 17, 2023, at 2:43 PM, Allison Goodwin <allisongoodwin1@gmail.com> wrote:

Thanks Neil,

I've copied an organization founded by a man I consider an Expert in this field and perhaps he - Dane Wigington or his representative will respond to us. I support open dialogue and awareness of GeoEngineering which sadly appears to be continually ongoing. And for Dane, if this reaches you, It was obvious here in Blaine County Idaho residents got a respite for around 10 days Coincidentally while a Conference produced by Allen & Company was here @ The Sun Valley Resort. The attendees are very influential members of Top Corporations Worldwide, most names All Recognize including GeoEngineering Promoter Bill Gates.

Ketchum Mayor, Neil Bradshaw has responded to our concerns and I thought it may help if Dane could point us in the best direction to bring awareness of these (toxic) programs and the interesting timing of No Seen spraying of aerosols at the exact time as Influential Corporate Executives happened to be in this valley.

Thank you all!!
Allison Goodwin

On Mon, Jul 17, 2023 at 2:28 PM Neil Bradshaw
<NBradshaw@ketchumidaho.org> wrote:

Thanks Allison and Kerrin
I am open to further conversations on this issue
As you know, none of our electeds have jurisdiction over the airspace above us
I would be interested in finding out more, and particularly establishing the facts and what possible actions are available to the various jurisdictions
Thanks for your emails
Neil

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**From:** [HP Boyle](#)  
**To:** [Participate](#)  
**Cc:** [editorialboard@mtexpress.com](mailto:editorialboard@mtexpress.com); [Andrew Guckes](#)  
**Subject:** PUBLIC COMMENT for City Council: Housing Action Plan: Ketchum Taxpayers Paying to House People who don't work in Ketchum (or even work at all)  
**Date:** Monday, July 17, 2023 6:22:24 PM

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Ketchum taxpayers have no idea that their money is being spent to house people who don't work in Ketchum.

The whole point to Ketchum voters was for the City to address the worker shortage by increasing housing options for Ketchum workers.

The Council talked about the need for housing so that restaurants don't shut down.

The Mayor had an editorial in the IME about how Bluebird was housing for essential workers That is how this program and the LOT was sold.

Yet that is not what is happening.

The City is not transparent about this (and the IME has done no reporting on it) and the staff has been spending Ketchum taxpayer money on housing for non-Ketchum workers. To wit:

- money to BCCF for non-Ketchum workers
- money spent on housing mediation for non-Ketchum workers
- money spent to house illegal immigrants
- Lease to Locals for long-term rentals to non-Ketchum workers
- Bluebird tenant preferences that non-workers

and now the City is progressing down the same road with its Deed Restricted Ownership Program.

The misdirection of funds seems intentional, starting with the Housing Action Plan.

That plan has a problematic definition of "Ketchum worker." You don't need to work in Ketchum to benefit. Indeed, you don't need to work at all.

- First, it does not define a worker as working in Ketchum but rather in the County.
- Second, it defines unhoused people as including people who have a commute of > 45 minutes.
- Third, it defines worker to include people who choose not to work
- Fourth, it doesn't require full-time work or even part-time work

This is all absurd.

From the Housing Action Plan posted on the Ketchum City website:

"Workforce

All adults in the household must meet one of the following criteria:

- An employee or contractor of a local entity in Blaine County, Idaho (at least 1,000 hours per year or an average of 20 hours per week) during their occupancy
- Pursuing work in Blaine County by:
  - applying for work with local businesses for up to four months
  - have a job offer from a local business
  - preparing for work by participating in job training, educational programs, or programs

- that assist people to obtain employment and become economically self-sufficient
- Meet one of the following exemptions:
    - retired person who, immediately preceding retirement, was a full-time employee of an entity located within Blaine County for at least five continuous years and continued living as a fulltime resident within Blaine County following their retirement
    - person unable to work or who does not have a work history due to qualifying for disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
    - full-time, informal caregiver if either caregiver or care-recipient lived in Blaine County for at least the five previous continuous years
    - be a working spouse or partner of a person qualified under one of the first two sections of this

definition: Unhoused

Not housed, not having an address or residence.

Examples:

- Persons who live in their cars or campers
- Persons who live on others' couches
- Persons who have extremely long commutes (over 45 minutes one way).”

What is the purpose of the Ketchum Housing Action Plan? Wasn't it supposed to increase housing options for Ketchum workers to address the workforce shortage?

Where is the reporting on how this money is being spent?

- How many Ketchum workers have been helped, and at what cost?
- How much money has been spent on non-Ketchum workers?

This is a poorly managed program that operates in the shadows and is not even trying to achieve the mission sold to the voters.

Time to let some light in.

Perry Boyle  
Ketchum

**From:** [Amanda Breen](#)  
**To:** [Lisa Enourato](#)  
**Subject:** Fw: USPS situation  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 19, 2023 4:34:45 PM

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Public comment.

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**From:** Scott Desserault <[sdesserault@hotmail.com](mailto:sdesserault@hotmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 18, 2023 8:17 AM  
**To:** Amanda Breen <[ABreen@ketchumidaho.org](mailto:ABreen@ketchumidaho.org)>  
**Subject:** USPS situation

Hi Amanda.

I hope all is well.

I wanted to check in with you regarding your conversations with the USPS/John McDonald regarding street delivery. I recall you being active on this topic a while back, but have not heard anything lately. The situation seems to be getting worse due to changes with Amazon's delivery protocols and moving to a mix of UPS/USPS for final delivery. John McDonald does not appear to be responsive to the community's need/desire for street delivery. To make matters worse, the pricing for the service we are receiving is degrading rapidly.

I am curious to get your thoughts on the situation and what, if anything, the larger community can do to force a change.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Scott

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**From:** [Neil Bradshaw](#)  
**To:** [Participate](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Bird Drive - Traffic Calming installation  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 19, 2023 11:19:20 AM

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## Public comment

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**Subject:** **FW: Bird Drive - Traffic Calming installation**  
**Date:** July 19, 2023 at 10:35:27 AM MDT  
**To:** Kelli Trapp <[ktrapp@ketchumidaho.org](mailto:ktrapp@ketchumidaho.org)>, Neil Bradshaw <[NBradshaw@ketchumidaho.org](mailto:NBradshaw@ketchumidaho.org)>

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**From:** Steve <[steve@morconefamily.com](mailto:steve@morconefamily.com)>  
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**To:** Aly Swindley <[aswindley@ketchumidaho.org](mailto:aswindley@ketchumidaho.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: Bird Drive - Traffic Calming installation

Thank you Aly, There has been an immediate effect and the project IS WORKING! From what I've learned the project as designed is proven through traffic studies to be the

most effective, all good. I think the new stop signs in the town core are working as well. Thank you to the street department, the city council and all the support staff.  
Steve

On Jul 17, 2023, at 2:09 PM, Aly Swindley  
<[aswindley@ketchumidaho.org](mailto:aswindley@ketchumidaho.org)> wrote:

Good afternoon!

Hopefully you've seen that the installation of the traffic calming project is underway!

...more painting and another 'pinch point' still to come.

It will take some getting used to, I'm sure – we've already heard a few positive and negative reactions.

Please let me know your thoughts on the matter as the summer progresses.

We're compiling all feedback to report to the Traffic Authority later in the season.

Take care!

Cheers,

Aly

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**From:** [Ananda Kriva](#)  
**To:** [Neil Bradshaw](#); [Jim Slanetz](#); [Michael David](#); [Amanda Breen](#); [Courtney Hamilton](#); [Participate](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Are Chemtrails and Climate Geoengineering Real?  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 19, 2023 11:53:17 AM

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**Subject:** gfeopengineering  
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Attention Ketchum City Council:

As we continue this conversation on chemtrails and geoengineering here is a n interview with RFK Jr. and Dane Wigginton. Please watch for your education. “Blocking Sunlights is not a conspiracy theory” Proof that chemtrailng is happening.

Thank you, Kerrin

[https://articles.mercola.com/sites/articles/archive/2023/07/19/climate-engineering.aspx?ui=541fff4684418d88feab650b6ec3924212b9ee73a40688e2ba4f81d211fdede6&sd=20141203&cid\\_source=dnl&cid\\_medium=email&cid\\_content=art1ReadMore&cid=20230719\\_HL2&foDate=true&mid=DM1435854&rid=1859469233](https://articles.mercola.com/sites/articles/archive/2023/07/19/climate-engineering.aspx?ui=541fff4684418d88feab650b6ec3924212b9ee73a40688e2ba4f81d211fdede6&sd=20141203&cid_source=dnl&cid_medium=email&cid_content=art1ReadMore&cid=20230719_HL2&foDate=true&mid=DM1435854&rid=1859469233)

**From:** [City of Ketchum Idaho](#)  
**To:** [Participate](#)  
**Subject:** Form submission from: Contact Us  
**Date:** Monday, July 24, 2023 9:30:25 AM

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Submitted on Monday, July 24, 2023 - 9:30am

Submitted by anonymous user: 184.183.118.100

Submitted values are:

First Name Fritz & Michele

Last Name Grabher

Email grabher1@msn.com

Question/Comment

Greetings,

Regarding the attempt to reduce speed on Bird & 4th Ave, we find it totally unattractive and not practical.

IT'S NOT CONDUCIVE FOR FIRE TRUCKS, SNOW PLOWS AND SEMI TRUCKS. We are not against the round about; however, it's too small.

The sticks should be replaced by speed bumps as in front of Hemingway School on 8th St. West.

We have lived on 4th Ave since 1978 and are not aware of any accidents on 4th.

Please consider our requests to keep West Ketchum, West Ketchum.

It would be greatly appreciated and more cost effective for the taxpayers.

Kindly,

Michele & Fritz Grabher, 360 4th Ave No & 400 4th Ave No #1 & 2, Ketchum, ID

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**To:** [Participate](#)  
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Submitted on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 - 3:35pm

Submitted by anonymous user: 185.203.218.15

Submitted values are:

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Question/Comment

It is concerning that Ketchum has fail to install nay high speed electric chargers fior EV vehicles. The community relies on tourism to support ther locals yet you have failed to support a clean air solution to transportation. Please install multiple high speed chargers for all EV vehicles.

Thanks

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**From:** [Courtney Hamilton](#)  
**To:** [Participate](#); [Aly Swindley](#); [Kelli Trapp](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: West Ketchum traffic calming devices  
**Date:** Thursday, July 27, 2023 3:43:49 PM

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**Subject:** West Ketchum traffic calming devices

Dear City of Ketchum Street Dept, and City Council members:

I was going to stop by your offices recently to give my feedback but decided perhaps having this in writing would be more useful.

I have lived in West Ketchum for twenty years, on Bordeaux St, then Hideaway Lane, and most recently on Wood River Dr these past six years.

Back in 2020, I noticed a big increase in speeding along Fourth Avenue and Bird Drive after a yellow line was painted down the centre of the street. I believe that happened earlier on during covid. During that time I was out walking my dog three times every day (when there was nothing available to do in town and the trails were still too muddy) and I found that the yellow line really seemed to alter people's driving habits for the worse. I wondered at the time whether it had to do with the yellow line being something of a visual cue that this was a main road, not just another quiet neighbourhood street. Obviously that is just a guess, but there was something about the appearance of that line that coincided with noticeably increased speeds.

And I remember all the "slow down" messages that were spray-painted on that road (or maybe it was on Williams St) around that time, as well. That happened after the appearance of the yellow line. No one I know around here had any idea why a line was painted in the first place, either.

I wondered whether people would slow down after the fairly recent re-surfacing—thus removing the yellow line, thankfully—but I suppose that was not the case, given all these so-called traffic calming devices that have been recently installed.

What I have noticed on many occasions already are vehicles that appear to be taking those single-lane road-narrowing systems as personal challenges—as in: how *quickly* can I drive

through that thing? Can I do it without slowing down *at all*? It is actually pretty upsetting to see, to be honest. And I have seen 5B vehicles, other Idaho plates, and plates from various states all doing the same thing. I am truly dismayed by this turn of events.

And then, you added a stop sign at Buss Elle and Fourth Ave, but removed the one going south on Fourth Ave at that same intersection. I always liked that stop sign because I felt *that* was what slowed folks down somewhat as they zoomed along Fourth Ave going south, especially if they weren't planning to turn left onto 6th Street into town.

As for the roundabout, I am a big fan of them in general, having lived several years in Sydney Australia where one can drive through the inner suburbs with barely a stop sign thanks to thoughtfully placed roundabouts. However, as I mentioned, I walk extensively throughout West Ketchum and I have rarely had an issue at that intersection with excessive speeding, and frankly the whole structure and system of posts seems like massive overkill.

And after all that, if you perceive these devices to work, what happens when it snows for the first time? I hope that, if you decide to permanently keep the roundabout and lane narrowing devices, you will consider making them *substantially* less obtrusive, and simpler to manage year-round. That is, I wouldn't see the point of traffic-calming devices that were simply seasonal, since it is really in winter when the walking in West Ketchum becomes particularly treacherous given the lack of sidewalks, the need to contend with very icy conditions, and the extensive snow berms that jut out into the streets and severely limit visibility.

Just today I noticed you have painted crosswalks—three of them!—on the south end of Wood River Dr as it approaches the bike path from the west. Holy moly. It seems quite random to introduce those crosswalks while leaving every other west Ketchum intersection crosswalk-free. And as far as I can tell, pedestrians and their unleashed dogs walk willy-nilly through the streets anyway, and cross when- and wherever they please, so I'm not really seeing what the addition of those crosswalks will accomplish, other than being a confusing distraction at that single intersection. There is a lot more traffic around the post office, for example, yet *these* new ones are the crosswalks that get painted first?

And finally, after all this traffic calming, you have removed the stop sign at the intersection of Wood River Dr and the bike path. If anyone on the path is not paying attention—which includes 100% of unleashed dogs who certainly don't heed human signs—they will be the ones to pay dearly for their mistake if they collide with a moving car. I cannot imagine *not* stopping my car there after everything I've seen over the years, and I will continue to do so.

The problem will be that there will always be drivers who are visitors to the area and who, of course, will not realize they need to be extra-careful at the bike path intersection. Removing this stop sign strikes me as foolhardy. Yes, it's a bit of a pain to have to stop your car there, but shouldn't we always favour protecting pedestrians over making driving a tad quicker?

I would hate to think you are over-spending on all these glitzy changes when they appear at least partially ineffective and, possibly worse, like a red flag to a bull in the case of the lane-narrowing structures. This set of changes feels much like a solution in search of a problem, and perhaps few serious dips in the road (the kind that *truly* force a vehicle to slow down) seems like a simpler year-round option, for example.

I would be very interested to learn what the City is learning about the effectiveness of these changes, both traffic-wise and cost-wise, and hope that you will take into consideration the

input of year-round locals who drive—and walk and cycle!—here all the time. Will you consider making information available at your website as your experiment proceeds, so that we can clearly know, understand and participate in what is going on, well ahead of you making any final decisions?

Thanks for your consideration.

Beverley Robertson  
595 Wood River Dr  
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**From:** [Chris Leman](#)  
**To:** [Neil Bradshaw](#)  
**Cc:** [Participate](#); [Amanda Breen](#); [Michael David](#); [Jim Slanetz](#); [Laurie Leman](#)  
**Subject:** West Ketchum traffic calming work  
**Date:** Saturday, July 29, 2023 7:15:16 AM

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Dear Mayor Bradshaw and Council members Hamilton, Breen, David, and Slanetz,

I want to thank you for implementing test traffic calming devices in west Ketchum. We live on Bordeaux Street and appreciate that traffic on the adjacent streets that we use to get to our home are slowed now by the project. My wife Laurie and I are in favor of such approaches to slowing traffic down and to making driving less convenient. We drive cars and trucks, but we walk and ride our bikes a lot too. We want it to be easier and safer for us to choose to walk or bike. We want our city to develop infrastructure and systems that encourage us to get out of our cars more often. Less driving of cars and trucks and more walking and cycling about to get to where we are going.

We have devoted years and millions in treasure to accommodate motorists in large vehicles. We like that we are shifting our attitudes toward a more diverse use of our transportation infrastructure with an eye toward slowing down and enjoying what we have here. Please keep up the good work.

PS please continue to help us make walking and biking between town and west Ketchum easier and safer going forward.

Best, Chris Leman, 162 Bordeaux Street, Ketchum. (208) 720-7713

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Chris Leman  
(208) 720-7713  
trails, trails, trails (& snowboarding)

**From:** [Jeffrey Kingston](#)  
**To:** [Participate](#)  
**Subject:** Ore wagons  
**Date:** Monday, July 31, 2023 3:57:32 PM  
**Importance:** High

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Gentlemen

There is a problem on 5<sup>th</sup> street near Akinsons. As you know the Bluebird construction has taken away a large number of parking spaces in the most crowded part of town. Now in that same area, the ore wagons are now on the street taking away even more spaces. In the past the wagons have been put on display for about a week before Labor day. I was told today that they want to have them on display taking away those parking places for more than a month. That is completely unreasonable. We can't have both Bluebird construction and the wagons impacting this parking critical area in the middle of tourist season. Has anybody devoted even a moment of thought to what is going on????? People are circling around at peak times searching for a park.

Frankly considering the construction this might be the year when the wagons stay inside until needed for the parade.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Kingston

**From:** [H Boyle](#)  
**To:** [Participate](#)  
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**Subject:** For public comment to Council on housing subject  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 2, 2023 9:53:30 AM

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Have you read this? Does it make sense to you as officials elected to represent the interest of City of Ketchum residents in your fiduciary capacity?

1. BCHA personnel are City of Ketchum employees? Why aren't they BCHA employees? Why do Ketchum residents bear the costs of staffing BCHA? Other cities do not.
2. How can BCHA advertise open positions that are City of Ketchum employees in positions that have not been approved by the Council? This is terrible governance process and inconsistent with your fiduciary responsibilities.
3. City of Ketchum taxpayers are on the hook to pay for housing mediation services throughout Blaine County. Has any of this money been spent on Ketchum residents? How is this consistent with the Council's fiduciary duty? Where is the transparency of reporting on this program?
4. The City of Ketchum plans to employ people at Ketchum taxpayer expense who do not work in Ketchum nor work on Ketchum housing issues. How is this consistent with the Council's fiduciary duty?

It is time for the Council to regain control of taxpayer money from a Housing Strategist who has "gone rogue."

Begin forwarded message:

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## Blaine County Housing Authority Update

### **BCHA available units:**

Two affordable, 2-bedroom rentals becoming available in Ketchum. These are for two-person households earning under \$80,600, up to a five-person household earning under \$90,650 (See Income [Category 4](#) for more details). Also, becoming available in Ketchum, a one-bedroom for an individual earning up to \$47,000 or two-person household earning up to \$53,700 (See Income [Category 3](#) for more details). Please submit an application at [www.BCOHA.org](http://www.BCOHA.org) to be considered for these availabilities!

**BCHA/The City of Ketchum is HIRING!** Currently accepting applications for a detail-oriented Program Administrator and a visionary, strategic Housing Coordinator. More information found, [here](#).

**BCHA is MOVING!** Our office will be shared with the Blaine County Charitable Fund and located at The Merriweather Building in Hailey (above Java). We look forward to seeing you there!

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**The Housing Mediation Project:** The mediation team wrapped up a 40-hour Basic Mediation training for representatives of The Advocates, Blaine County Charitable Fund, The Housing Company (manages Blaine Manor and some of ARCH's properties), and the Hunger Coalition. To date, the Mediators also provided a nine-hour conflict resolution course, a lunch and learn, and Eviction Law training.

No-cost mediation is offered to help landlords and tenants resolve housing-related issues without filing an eviction. Landlords may receive late and no-rent payments, save time, avoid legal and court fees, and avoid court. Tenants may avoid an eviction filing on their public record, maintain housing, and reduce disruption if moving is required. During mediation, trained, neutral mediators help the parties find a mutually acceptable and voluntary resolution. Learn more [here](#).

Attorney Lee Ritzau describes his experience:

"I had the pleasure of working with Mandy Heward of the Neuro Mediation Group in a mediation resulting from an Unlawful Detainer [eviction] case I pursued on behalf of a client. Mandy provided excellent work and communication in an attempt to get the case resolved without requiring the parties to attend a trial."

**Hailey and Ketchum aim to launch a pilot ownership program:** Hailey is launching a buy-down program in partnership with ARCH Community Housing Trust. [Read story here](#).

Ketchum is nearing launch of an Ownership and Preservation Program pilot program to assist in homeownership and community stabilization for moderate income households who live or work here. [Read story here](#) and [analysis here](#). At the July 17th Ketchum City Council meeting, City staff posed key policy questions on the pilot, which would provide a substantial cash incentive to restrict occupancy of a property to locals (potentially 10% to 30% of the market value of the home). Based on City Council direction, the proposed pilot program will limit participants to local owner occupants, including both new and existing homeowners.

City staff will develop two deed-restrictions for the program that would:

1. Cap appreciation and the resale value of the home, for a larger incentive.
2. Provide a lighter restriction that would not set limits on appreciation or resale value.

Participants will have the option to choose the restriction and incentive that is best suited for them. City staff aim to bring the policies to the City Council for approval on August 21.

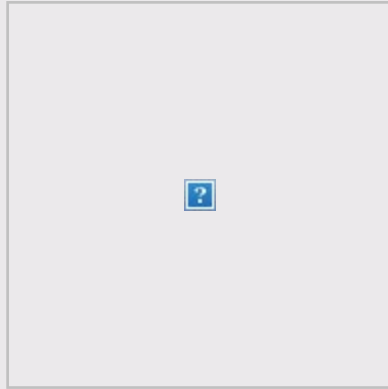
## INTERESTING READS

- "[Low Cost Rentals have Decreased in Every State](#)" by Harvard's Joint Center for Housing Studies, July 2023. Between 2010 and 2019, Ketchum lost 335 long-term rentals and Blaine County lost 500 long-term rentals (U.S. Census: ACS 5-Year Estimates for 2010 and 2019 data).
- "[Is Airbnb allowed in your building?](#)" the Gothamist, July 2023: NYC attempts to systematize buildings who register for a "Prohibited Building List". While local governments in Idaho can't outright ban short-term rentals, HOAs and property managers can. Doing so would assist new owner occupants' access [financing](#) and assist our community with the housing crisis.
- "[How Philadelphia Kept Thousands of Tenants From Being Evicted](#)" by The New York Times, July 2023. Since the launch of a mediation program in Blaine County last winter, the Mediation team has conducted mediations between 12 families and landlords with 10 agreements reached, including one lease renewal, seven tenants remaining in their rental longer, and three payment plans. Find out about Blaine County's voluntary mediation program [here](#).
- "[Who killed affordable housing?](#)" Science Vs. podcast, June 2023. Short answer – it's complicated and a range of factors contribute.
- "[Where are King County's homeless residents from?](#)" by the Seattle Times, July 2023. Study in Seattle corroborates evidence that 70% of homeless people are from the county where they seek services. This increases to over 90% when including surrounding counties. These statistics mirror findings from an analysis of studies and nationwide causes of homelessness – the takeaway is that homelessness is caused by a lack of affordable housing ("[Homelessness is a Housing Problem](#)").

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