

# Western Montana Conservation Commission Agenda

**September 11 - 12, 2024** 

#### **PURPOSE**

WMCC serves as a convening body to facilitate close cooperation and coordination between federal, state, provincial, tribal, and local resource managers to monitor the condition of aquatic and natural resources across Western Montana.



#### **WHY**

WMCC was created during the 2023
Montana Legislative
Session and effectively combines and replaces the roles and jurisdiction of FBC and UC <sup>3</sup>.

## Wednesday, Sept. 11 - 11:30 AM to 4:00 PM

**LOCATION:** Montana Tech - Student Union Building 204 1300 W Park St, Butte, MT 59701

For virtual attendees: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/WMCC-Sept11-12">https://tinyurl.com/WMCC-Sept11-12</a>

or scan QR Code



## 11:30 AM Lunch & Recognition of Water Stewards

Please join us for lunch (provided) and a historical perspective on water quality with Vicki Watson and Kathy Hadley.

11:30 AM - Lunch served

11:45 AM - Recognition of water stewards

#### 12:15 PM Call to Order & Roll Call

Overview of agenda

### 12:25 PM Indigenous Lands Welcome

#### 12:35 PM Commission Business

**Financials** 

Staff updates

June Meeting Minutes

**Action: Vote on June Meeting Minutes** 

#### 1:10 PM Legislative Session Outlook

Update from Mark Bostrom on the upcoming legislative session

#### 1:25 PM Public Comment

#### 1:40 PM Adjourn & Prepare for Field Trip

Join us for the field trip and the following social hour!

#### 2:00 PM Field Trip with Ripple

Bell-Diamond Overlook of the Berkeley Pit

Please wear close-toed shoes. We will be outdoors with no facilities access. Expect 1.5 hour of standing and walking.

5:00 PM Social Hour



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## Thursday, Sept. 12 - 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM



8:30 AM Welcome Breakfast items provided 8:45 AM Call to Order & Roll Call **Commission Member Spotlight** 8:50 AM **Arthur Potts** Terrestrial Program Lead, Avista 9:05 AM MT Aquatic Invasive Species Updates Tom Woolf AIS Bureau Chief, MT FWP Overview of MT AIS program Discussion on the 2024 MT AIS Plan 9:50 AM Clarissa Orton, BSWC Member Presentation of Clarissa's term and an Industry Outreach program update

## 10:10 AM Break

### 10:25 AM Committee Updates

Committees-in-Development
Onsite Wastewater Treatment
Executive Committee - AIS - Education, Outreach, &
Communication - Monitoring & Coordination

Action: Vote on Onsite Wastewater Treatment Committee Formation

11:25 PM EPA Toxics Reduction Grant Updates

**Action: Vote on Grant Program Guidelines** 

12:25 PM Public Comment

12:35 PM Wrap up & Adjourn Meeting

Join us for lunch (provided)