



FW COMMISSION AGENDA

TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND BEST ESTIMATE ONLY

Location: Montana State Capitol, Room 317, and Virtually via Zoom
Date: Friday, August 16, 2024
Time: 8:30 a.m.

This regular meeting of the Fish and Wildlife Commission will be held at the Montana State Capitol Building, Room 317, also virtually via Zoom. The Commission will take public comment on agenda items for registered commenters both in person and on Zoom. If you wish to make a comment, registration will open on the Fish, Wildlife & Parks' website <https://fwp.mt.gov/> on August 1 and close at noon on August 15. The Commission Chair will call upon registrants by name to comment. When public comment is opened by the Commission Chair on an agenda item, please click the "raise hand" button on the Zoom screen or dial *9 if participating by phone. You will be notified when you have been unmuted. Before making your comment, please state your name, city, and the organization you are representing if applicable.

Administrative Items:

8:30 a.m.- Call to Order

- Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance (*all please stand*)
- Approval of Minutes (June 20, 2024 Regular Meeting)
- Approval of Commission Expenses (YTD FY 2024)
- Commissioner Reports
- Director's Report (Dustin Temple, FWP Director)

Action Items:

Budget Unit

- Budget Priorities Presentation
 - **Presenter:** Lena Havron, Chief Financial Officer

Licensing

- Resident Super Tag (ARM) Final Adoption
 - **Presenter:** Emily Cooper, Bureau Chief, Licensing Unit

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- Selection of Organizations to Auction
 - **Presenter:** Emily Cooper, Bureau Chief, Licensing Unit

Fisheries

- Informational Drought Update
 - **Presenter:** Adam Strainer, Habitat Bureau Chief, Fisheries Division
- Future Fisheries Improvement Program
 - **Presenter:** Michelle McGree, Future Fisheries Coordinator, Fisheries Division

Wildlife

- 2024-2027 Highland Mountains Removal of Diseased Bighorn Sheep
 - **Presenter:** Brian Wakeling, Game Management Bureau Chief, Wildlife Division
- Nongame Checkoff Work Plan
 - **Presenter:** Ken McDonald, Division Administrator, Wildlife Division
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- Correction to Elk and White-tailed Deer Season Dates
 - **Presenter:** Brian Wakeling, Game Management Bureau Chief, Wildlife Division
- 2024-2025 Furbearer and Wolf Trapping Hunting Seasons and Quotas
 - **Presenter:** Brian Wakeling, Game Management Bureau Chief, Wildlife Division

Parks and Outdoor Recreation

- Public Use Rules Deviations for FAS and WMA
 - **Presenter:** Deb O'Neill, Acting Division Administrator, Parks & Outdoor Recreation Division

Land and Water

- Montana Great Outdoors Conservation Easement
 - **Presenter:** Bill Schenk, Unit Manager, Lands & Water Unit

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- Parsons Slough/Willow Creek Water Lease
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Legal

No topics for this meeting

Enforcement

No topics for this meeting

Public Comment- Items not on agenda

Adjournment

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