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Q2

Please comment on 2026-2027 FWP Budget Priorities

Opposed to relisting wolves

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Q2

Please comment on 2026-2027 FWP Budget Priorities

1. Why are your expenditures estimated to be 20 million higher than the last two previous years?
2. Why would you pass a budget in which you spend more than what you make for the year? Page 1 of the Commissioners handout shows that for 2024, Revenues are \$73,458,828 and Expenditures will be \$87,227,326. That is a difference of \$13,768,498, and the difference is greater over the next two years.

To this question I would say that your responsibility to the citizens of Montana would be to push the budget back to get it as close to the revenue coming in as possible. I will concede that I do not know if there has been previous discussions on spending over the revenue coming in, for what project or purpose.

3. The projected use of funds over that next 3 years show excessive expenditures, far more than revenue and a disproportionate use of available funds to support this expenditure.

I am very interested in a response that would explain why these expenses are so large, and how the commission plans on rebuilding the available funds after these excessive expenditures.

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I do not support the budget proposal. With the increase of 4% from marijuana with the increase of in and out of state license the FWS needs to adjust their budget similar to every government agency. The list also needs to be prioritized before approving such a broad range of agenda items that exist within the current management. At the top of the list should be delisting the grizzly bears. We are over populated with these bears in the upper NW of which needs to be managed better. I vote NO to approve proposal without a priority being established with estimates needed for the funding. Project and propose realistic and measurable working list with deadlines and completion dates.

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FWP Revenue projections are flat. Needs are ever increasing, our population is increasing and tourism is also increasing. Cost are increasing at least with inflation and capital improvements are needed, especially parking at access sites, which may already be limited tourism economic activity.

We need additional funding sources. Adequate funding should be a major priority.

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Q2

Please comment on 2026-2027 FWP Budget Priorities

As the executive director of a non-profit Montana Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife, we support the budget priorities as proposed. We staunchly support the allocation of funds towards delisting of the Grizzly Bear from the ESA in both the NCDE and the GYE. It is clearly obvious that FWP has made this a top priority and we as an organization agree with this stance.
