



Flathead Reservation Water Management Board

DRAFT Meeting Agenda

Wednesday October 09, 2024 10:00 AM-3:00 PM; LUNCH

BREAK from 12:00 to 12:45

In-person: 400 Main Street Southwest, Ronan, MT

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/93399465886>

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1. Call to Order (FRWMB Chair)

1.1. Opening Prayer

1.2. Announce meeting minutes: <https://www.frwmb.gov>

1.3. Attendance

1.4. Disclose any potential conflicts of interest

1.5. Board adoption of meeting minutes from 09-23-2024

1.6. Adopt Agenda

2. Public Comment (for items not on the agenda)

3. Introducing Blair Libby, CSKT Compact Coordinator for the DNRC

4. Budget update (Rhonda)

4.1. Budget Report

4.2. General Liability Insurance

4.2.1. Discuss general liability insurance and quotes

4.2.2. Public Comment

4.2.3. Board Action: select general liability insurance policy

4.3. Other Budget Items

5. WP&P – Flathead System Compact Water (FSCW)

5.1. Summary of public comment

5.2. Discussion

5.3. Board adoption of WP&P for FSCW

5.4. Board adoption of application form for FSCW

6. WP&P – Stock Water Allowances

6.1. Summary of public comment

6.2. Discussion

6.3. Board adoption of WP&P for Stock Water Allowances

7. Water Rights Information System (Database) Update

7.1. Phase 1 functionality moved back to 10-31

7.2. Permissions update

7.3. OE operational impacts

8. Office of the Water Engineer (Water Engineer)

8.1. Enforcement: OE response to well drilling without prior authorization

8.1.1. Wells drilled later than June 1, 2022

8.1.2. Discussion of options

8.1.3. Board action or direction as needed

8.2. Office Lease Extension

8.2.1. Discussion

8.2.2. Board Action on Lease Extension

8.3. OE Personnel Policy by Personnel Policy by Section #s

- Section 7.01 FRWMB Health Benefit Plans: new employee initiation date
- Section 7.02 FRWMB Retirement Benefit Plans
- Section 4.01 FLSA [reaffirm]
- Section 4.02 Exempt/Non-Exempt
- Section 6.06 Family Medical Leave Act
- Revisit Section 5.03: Wellness: see CSKT policy option
- Section 6.09 Paid Volunteer Leave [proposed to delete]
- Section 7.04 Flathead Indian Reservation Exploration Benefit [proposed to delete]
- Section 5.01 Travel discussion on direction
- Section 11.06 Vehicle Policies
- Section 6.03(9-23) PTO Leave Advance, Accrual, and Carry-over Limits
- Section 6.04 Administrative Leave
- Section 10.09 Telework
- Section 10.06 Overnight Use of Office
- Other Policy Issues

9. Board Business

10. Public Comment

11. Announce Next Meetings: Oct 23rd, Oct 30th?, Nov 13th?

12. End Public Portion of Meeting (FRWMB Chair)

1. Call to Order Executive Session Closed to the Public (FRWMB Chair)¹

- a. Discussion of matters relating to litigation
- b. Discussion of private personnel matters

2. End Executive Session Closed to the Public

¹ This portion is closed to the public pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 2-3-203(3), as the demands for privacy to discuss litigation strategy and/or personnel matters clearly exceed the merits of public disclosure. Pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 2-3-203(4)(b), discussion of such strategy and/or personnel matters in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the operations of the Board. Board legal counsel will be present. Minutes to be recorded, retained, and archived by Legal.