



## Flathead Reservation Water Management Board

### **DRAFT Meeting Agenda**

**Wednesday July 16, 2025 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

**PUBLIC PORTION STARTS @ 1:00 PM**

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

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/92510736470>

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**1. 12:00 PM: Call to Order Executive Session Closed to the Public (FRWMB Chair)<sup>1</sup>**

- 1.1. Discussion of Private Personnel Matters
- 1.2. Discussion of Litigation Strategy

**2. End Executive Session (FRWMB Chair)**

**1. 1:00 PM: Call to Order Public Portion of Meeting (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 06-24-2025
- 1.6. Adopt Agenda

**2. Public Comment** (for items not on the agenda or non-action agenda items)

**3. Water Policy and Procedures** (Counsel & Water Engineer)

- 3.1. Discussion
  - WP&P 10-102(9) Deed of Trust
  - WP&P 11-108 Reservation Water Rights Database
  - WP&P 21-106, 107, & 108 [State-based Registrations]
  - WP&P 21-111 & 112 Abandonment/Abandonment Declaration Procedures
  - WP&P 22-115 Redundant and Substitute Wells
  - WP&P 31-113(4) Fines
  - Other Section Updates
- 3.2. Public Comment
- 3.3. Potential Board Action: Approve WP&Ps for 15-day public comment

**4. OE Form Updates** (Water Engineer)

- 4.1. Discussion: Deadline Extension Request (Form 607F) (update to add 1-year extension)
- 4.2. Discussion: Petition to Abandon Water Right (Form 612F) (New Form)
- 4.3. Public Comment
- 4.4. Potential Board Action: Approve Form 607F
- 4.5. Potential Board Action: Approve Form 612F

**5. Office Building Project Planning Updates** (Water Engineer & Building Committee)

- 5.1. Loci meeting recap
- 5.2. Project Roadmap & standard AIA (American Institute of Architects) contract

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

- 5.2.1. Discussion
- 5.2.2. Public Comment
- 5.2.3. Potential Board Action: Approve AIA contract with NTE amount
- 5.3. Upcoming Dates**
  - 5.3.1. Office Visits and Vision Meeting: 7/28 (DNRC) and 7/29 (OE)
  - 5.3.2. Present Building Program and Vision Synopsis to Building Committee: 8/14 (virtual)
  - 5.3.3. Present Facility Concepts, Cost Estimate, Rendering, and Final Program: week of 9/22
- 6. Office of the Engineer Personnel Policies: Section 3.15 Breaks (Water Engineer)**
  - 6.1. Discussion of PTO
  - 6.2. Discussion of Personnel Vehicle Use
  - 6.3. Discussion [15-day public comment period ended – no comments received]
    - 6.3.1. Public Comment
    - 6.3.2. Potential Board Action: Adopt 3.15 as modified
- 7. Board Business (FRWMB Chair)**
  - 7.1. Board Committee Compensation for June 2025
    - 7.1.1. Discussion
    - 7.1.2. Public Comment
    - 7.1.3. Potential Board Action: Approve Board Committee Compensation for June 2025
  - 7.2. Board Compensation for June 2025
    - 7.2.1. Discussion
    - 7.2.2. Public Comment
    - 7.2.3. Potential Board Action: Approve Board Compensation for June 2025
- 8. Office of the Water Engineer (Water Engineer)**
  - 8.1. Office Updates with Water Rights & Traffic Reports
  - 8.2. WRIS Updates
  - 8.3. Signage Considerations
  - 8.4. Infection Disease Pamphlet
  - 8.5. Newspaper Outreach – Free Publication
  - 8.6. Water Engineer Training: Fair Hearing (JS612) Reno, NV; August 12th to 20th
    - 8.6.1. Discussion
    - 8.6.2. Public Comment
    - 8.6.3. Potential Board Action on Water Engineer Training JS612
- 9. Announce Next Meetings:**
  - 9.1. Oral Argument: July 29<sup>th</sup> (1:00 PM – 3:00 PM)
  - 9.2. Board Meeting Board Meeting: July 31<sup>st</sup> (1:00 PM – 5:00 PM) (KP Not Available This Day)
  - 9.3. Board Meeting: Aug 7<sup>th</sup> or Aug 27<sup>th</sup>
- 10. End Public Meeting (FRWMB Chair)**