

AGENDA

Montana Sage Grouse Oversight Team (MSGOT)

December 18, 2018: 11:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Montana State Capitol, Room 172

11:00: Call to Order, John Tubbs, MSGOT Chair and DNRC Director

- Administrative Matters:
 - Approve Minutes: July 24, September 14, October 4

11:10 - 11:30: Reports and Implementation of Executive Order 12-2015

- Reports from Individual MSGOT Members
- Program Report
- Reports from Partner Federal Agencies
- MSGOT Discussion, if any

11:30 – 11:50: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Sage-grouse Population Monitoring

- Catherine Wightman, FWP Wildlife Habitat Coordinator

11:50 – 12:30: Conservation Spotlight: An Introduction to the Rangeland Analysis Platform

- Dr. Matthew Jones, Remote Sensing Ecologist and Dr. Brady Allred, Rangeland Ecologist, University of Montana

12:30 – 1:00: LUNCH BREAK

1:00 – 1:30: Final Adoption of Proposed Administrative Rules on Stewardship Grants and Mitigation

- Introduction: Carolyn Sime, Program Manager
- Public Comment
- MSGOT Discussion and Potential Executive Action

1:30 – 1:40: Rosebud Coal Mine AM5 Greater Sage-Grouse Mitigation Plan

- Introduction: Carolyn Sime, Program Manager; DEQ
- Public Comment
- MSGOT Discussion and Potential Executive Action to Approve the Plan

1:40 – 1:50: American Colloid Company Amendment 5 to Opencut Permit 8 Warren Mine Site Sage-Grouse Mitigation Plan

- Introduction: Carolyn Sime, Program Manager
- Public Comment
- MSGOT Discussion and Potential Executive Action to Approve the Plan

1:50 – 2:00: NorVal Cooperative Inc., Black Coulee Transmission Line Project Mitigation Plan

- Introduction: Carolyn Sime, Program Manager
- Public Comment
- MSGOT Discussion and Potential Executive Action to Approve the Plan

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2:00 – 2:10: Big Flat Electric Cooperative PS-09 Transmission Line Sage-Grouse Mitigation Plan

- Introduction: Carolyn Sime, Program Manager
- Public Comment
- MSGOT Discussion and Potential Executive Action to Approve the Plan

2:10 – 2:20: TRECO Fallon Transmission Line for Keystone XL Pump Station PS13 Sage-Grouse Mitigation Plan

- Introduction: Carolyn Sime, Program Manager
- Public Comment
- MSGOT Discussion and Potential Executive Action to Approve the Plan

2:20: Public Comment on Other Matters

NOTE: Agenda item times are approximate. Actual times may vary by up to one hour. Attendees who may need services or special accommodations should contact Carolyn Sime (406-444-0554 or csime2@mt.gov) at least 5 working days before the meeting.