

AGENDA
Montana Sage Grouse Oversight Team (MSGOT)

December 6, 2016: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Montana Room, DNRC Headquarters Building, 1539 11th Ave, Helena

10:00: Call to Order, John Tubbs

10:05: Update on Implementation of Executive Order No. 12-2015

- Reports from Individual MSGOT Members
- Sage Grouse Habitat Conservation Program Update: Carolyn Sime
- Montana Department of Environmental Quality
 - Cloud Peak Energy Haul Road Corridor:
 - Introduction, MSGOT Discussion, Public Comment and Potential MSGOT Endorsement to Use the Pending Thunder Basin Grasslands Prairie Ecosystem Association Conservation Strategy Process to Inform DEQ's EIS and Permitting Process
 - Colstrip Steam Electric Station Administrative Order on Consent:
 - Introduction, MSGOT Discussion, Public Comment and Potential MSGOT Authorization to Exempt Talen Montana from the Consultation Requirement of Executive Order 12-2015

10:30: Habitat Quantification Tool and Mitigation Rulemaking

- Proposed Rules:
 - Introduction, MSGOT Discussion, Public Comment, and Potential MSGOT Approval to Publish Proposed Rules Pursuant to the Montana Administrative Procedures Act

11:30: Stewardship Fund Grants

- Introduction: Carolyn Sime
- MSGOT Review, Public Comment, and Potential MSGOT Execution of Grant Agreements with Contingencies
 - Thomas L. Watson Conservation Easement
 - Rath's Livestock Corp. Conservation Easement

11:45: 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.