

Big Hole



Watershed Committee

Big Hole Watershed Committee Monthly Meeting

Monthly Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, November 19, 2014

Divide Grange, 7:00 pm

Despite daylight savings, we will still meet at 7pm (not 6pm)

Introductions

Review of October 2014 Minutes

Precipitation and Stream Flow Report

- Big Hole River Stream Flow Report, Mike Roberts, DNRC

Committee Reports:

- Directors Report (*Jen Downing*)
- Steering Committee Report (*SC Member*)
- Wildlife Committee (*Jim Hagenbarth/Dean Peterson*)
- Weed Committee (*Mark Kambich*)
- Land Use Planning Committee (*Jen Boyer*) – *Extended report for floodplain map next steps after state adoption occurred 10/7/2014.*

New Business

Meeting Topic: Montana State University (MSU)

Presented by Dr. Glenn Duff – Interim Dean of the College of Agriculture

MSU will provide a presentation on recent college news, including the new Vice President for Agriculture, new hires within the College of Agriculture, student enrollment updates, and more. We will hear about news and work applicable to BHWC and have an opportunity to discuss needs or interests of BHWC to MSU. Also in attendance and providing updates:

- Dr. Jeff Bader – Director of MSU Extension
- Dr. Emily Glunk – Assistant Professor, Forage Extension Specialist of College of Agriculture

Interest in forage/ animal/ soil interactions and relationships; Livestock and Equine grazing issues; Promoting awareness of best forage-management practices; Small acreage land management; Identifying and addressing any questions, issues, or opportunities identified by extension agents and producers regarding forage-based issues

- Dr. Lance McNew – Assistant Professor, Wildlife Habitat Ecology

Interest in wildlife ecology in agricultural systems; Habitat use and spatial ecology; Demography and population viability; Wildlife habitat management; Human- wildlife conflicts; Quantitative approaches to improve resource management.

- Dr. Ryan Thum – Assistant Professor, Plant Sciences & Plant Pathology
Specialty in aquatic invasives

Next Meetings -- No December 2014 meeting.