MONTANA WILDLIFE AND TRANSPORTATION

STEERING COMMITTEE

1:00 – 4:00pm, August 5, 2021

Join Zoom Meeting

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PURPOSE: To learn about and support the Data and Information Work Group's progress, identify how the interactive mapping will be used to make decisions, better understand MDT's commitment to this effort, and learn about MDT's processes to implement wildlife accommodations

Objectives:

- Provide guidance on the Data and Information Work Group's progress and explore the interactive mapping tool's use
- Understand MDT's commitment and concepts for development of a standalone pilot project
- Understand MDT's processes and options for implementing wildlife accommodation projects at various scales
- Determine agenda topics for the next steering committee meetings

AGENDA:

1. Introduction
2. D&I workgroup draft product
    a. Work group members present the draft product
    b. SC members provide feedback and ask questions
    c. SC members identify next steps; how does the SC want to approach thinking about how this product will be used?

    Outcome: List of any needed modifications to the draft product and next steps for determining how the product will be used

3. Update from MDT
    a. Report out on briefing with director and administrative staff
    b. Report out on director endorsement of MOA and next steps
    c. MDT proposes concepts for pilot project implementation
    d. SC members ask questions and discuss

    Outcome: Understanding of MDT's level of commitment and concepts for pilot project development

    (*short break*)

4. MDT presentation on various highway planning, funding, and implementation processes for wildlife accommodations
    a. MDT staff provides presentation on options for implementation of wildlife accommodation projects of various scales
    b. SC members ask questions and discuss
        i. Do these ideas align with FWP's and MSWP's vision? How or how not?

ii. How do these ideas align with statewide steering committee efforts?

Outcome: Identify next steps and action items for process documentation and options for project implementation

5. Report out from each entity for the good of the group

6. Review and Close
    a. Reminder and scheduling of interim meeting to learn more about community-led efforts
    b. What does the steering committee want to include on the next meeting's agenda?
    c. What work needs to be completed between now and the next meeting? How will that work be accomplished (e.g., who, timelines)?